

Graduation and Beyond

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Filing for Degree Candidacy

All students planning to graduate must file for degree candidacy and initiate the formal degree check process prior to receiving their diploma.

- **Chemistry majors** must make an appointment to see the CHEM Advisor listed to the right to begin this process.
- **Biochemistry majors** must make an appointment to see the BIOC advisor listed to the right to begin this process.

Deadlines

In order to have your name printed in the UA commencement booklet, you must file for candidacy by the end of March if you plan to graduate in May or August; or by the end of October if you plan to graduate in December. **It is strongly recommended that you file for candidacy and have your degree check done the semester prior to your expected graduation**, after you have finalized your course enrollment for that term. This way, if there are any problems with meeting graduation requirements, they can be caught early.

Degree Check Process

To file for degree candidacy:

1. Contact the appropriate CHEM or BIOC Advisor who will begin your paperwork; please make an appointment to come in to sign the forms.

- Fill out **the degree candidacy form**. There is a \$35 charge for filing which is charged to your bursar's account. Do not bring money when you file.
- You'll receive an information sheet outlining specific deadlines, diploma posting information, and contact information for [Graduation Services](#) ^[1] (who will conduct the final audit of your degree after the term ends).
- **All major and general education requirements** will be reviewed by your advisor; any remaining requirements will be noted on a degree adjustment sheet (pink sheet).

2. Take the (pink) adjustment sheet to each of your additional major/minor advisor(s) to sign off (if applicable).

3. Take the adjustment sheet to the Honors College for approval if you are graduating with Honors.

4. Bring the adjustment sheet back to XXX for the final College approval and to file the papers with Graduation Services.

5. You may be emailed a pdf scan of these documents for your records (if you desire).

Exit Interviews & Surveys

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry cares very much about the experience of its students. Feedback during exit interviews is often used to initiate improvements within the program. Each fall and spring term, graduating seniors are invited to attend an **exit luncheon** with faculty and staff to celebrate their accomplishments and discuss ways the program can be improved. Day/Time/Location of this event is TBA each term.

Even if you are unable to attend the exit interview luncheon, you still can provide valuable feedback about the program. Please complete the **Exit Survey**, which can be downloaded | [here](#) ^[2] |.

Commencement Events

You are welcome to attend any or all of the | [University-wide, College of Science, and CBC Department Commencement Events](#) ^[3] |.

Staying in Touch

We hope that you have enjoyed your experience with University of Arizona **Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**

, and that you want to | [stay in touch with the Department after graduation](#) ^[4] |. Being part of the alumni network has several benefits both to you and to us. Among others:

- You **stay connected** to alumni, staff, and faculty who can connect you with job and career opportunities
- You learn about **events** to reunite with your former classmates
- You receive the **CBC Alumni Newsletter** which keeps you up to date on happenings within the Department and provides opportunities to give back to the Department in various ways (information, mentoring, professional connections, funding, etc.)
- You help us to continually **assess our program and make improvements**

Please use the | [Alumni and Friends](#) ^[4] | link to update your mailing and email addresses.

If you are on **Facebook**, request to join the [CBC Alumni group](#) ^[5] by going to facebook.com and looking for AZ Chemistry and Biochemistry Alumni.

[Undergraduate](#) ^[6]

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Links:

[1] <http://www.registrar.arizona.edu/graduation/udegcert.htm>

[2] http://www.cbc.arizona.edu/sites/default/files/Exit_Survey2006-07.pdf

[3] http://www.cbc.arizona.edu/commencement_events

[4] http://www.cbc.arizona.edu/alumni_friends

[5] <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=7726511463>

[6] <http://www.chem.arizona.edu/taxonomy/term/11>