

KD1290 Chemical Analysis 8.5 credits

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This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years

Establishment

Course syllabus for KD1290 valid from Spring 2015

Grading scale

A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Education cycle

First cycle

Main field of study

Technology

Specific prerequisites

Completion of upper-secondary school before 1 July 2011 and adult education at upper-secondary level before 1 July 2012

Specific entry requirements: mathematics E, physics B and chemistry A. The grade Passed or 3 in each of the subjects is required.

Completion of upper-secondary school from 1 July 2011 and adult education at upper-secondary level from 1 July 2012 (Gy2011)

Specific entry requirements: Physics 2, Chemistry 1 and Mathematics 4. A pass in each of the subjects is the lowest acceptable grade.

Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

Intended learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the student should be able to:

1. explain flows of chemical substances between soil, water and air by describing natural cycles,

2. identify phase equilibria and assess when the equilibrium concept is applicable

3. reflect on the consequences of disturbances in natural systems seen from the perspective of sustainable development,

4. set up an equilibrium equation for acid -, basis -, gas -, solubility -, complex - and redox reactions and calculate equilibria with appropriate approximations

5. describe and use analytical techniques such as spectroscopy, chromatography and electrochemical methods and state appropriate analytical method for a given problem

6. use computer program to solve equilibrium problems

7. carry out wet chemical laboratory work and apply the equilibrium concept for example for separations,

8. reflect on routines and measures for a safe handling of chemicals

9. choose and apply sampling - and calibration principles.

10. assess the reasonableness of calculations and measurement data and be prepared to present these as a report.

Course contents

Based on natural cycles and a sustainable development, the course connects chemical analysis together analytical chemistry with environmental chemistry, chemical chemical equilibria and inorganic reaction theory.

In the course, equilibria in nature and in closed system are analysed through calculations and laboratory sessions. The student is exposed to laboratory methodology and will learn the principles and use of several instrumental analytical techniques. The contents of the course are applied through sampling, preparation and chemical analysis of soil - or water samples collected under a field trip.

Course literature

- 1. Harris "Exploring Chemical Analysis"
- 2. Burrows, Holman, Parsons, Pilling, Chemistry3, Oxford,
- 3. Exempelsamling Kemisk Jämvikt
- 4. Handledning i praktisk jämviktslära

Examination

- FÄL1 Excursion, 1.0 credits, grading scale: P, F
- LAB1 Laboratory Exercises in Chemical Equilibria, 1.5 credits, grading scale: P, F
- LAB2 Laboratory Exercises in Analytical Techniques, 1.0 credits, grading scale: P, F
- TEN1 Examination in Chemical Equilibria, 3.0 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F
- TEN2 Examination Chemical Analysis, 2.0 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

Ethical approach

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.
- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.