



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry

TO: Faculty and Graduate Students
Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry

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DATE: March 21, 2012

Subject: Cumulative Exam Schedule Spring 2012

During the spring 2012 semester, the cumulative exams are scheduled on Saturday mornings from 9:00am – 12:00noon.

Examinations will be given on the following dates:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Building & Room</u>	<u>Proctor</u>
Saturday, February 18th	CHEM 234	Dr. Greg Gellene
Saturday, March 24th	CHEM 101	Dr. Bruce Whittlesey
Saturday, April 21st	SCIENC 234	Dr. Bill Hase

Cumulative Examinations will not be given at any times or dates other than these. Please mark your calendars now!

Graduate students who enrolled prior to fall 2009 (not under 2010 program guidelines):

Doctoral graduate students beginning graduate work are advised to begin taking cumulative exams in their first year in graduate school. Exams passed are counted towards the total required number of passed cumulative. Students must pass three exams by the end of their second year (fourth long semester) and an additional three exams by the end of their third year (sixth long semester) to be permitted to continue in the Ph.D. program in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. A student is allowed to take no more than 24 cumulative exams. Each examination turned in by a student at the end of an examination period is counted toward this total. At least four of the required cumulative examinations passed must be in the student's major area of study.

Graduate students admitted to a Master's degree program may take cumulative exams during their first and second years in graduate school. They are not required to do so to earn an M.S. degree, however, such students are encouraged to take the exams. Complete records of the results will be maintained, and should a student pass three exams by the end of the second year, he or she will be advised to seek admission to a doctoral program. Retroactive credit for all exams passed will be given toward the Ph.D. program in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

For students under the 2010 & 2011 Program Guidelines:

Students following the 2010 Program Guidelines must successfully complete one by the end of the second long semester, and four by the end of the fourth long semester. Cumulative exams will be offered three times each long semester.