The department boasts a number of student achievements. Three of our students have received the nationally competitive and widely esteemed Goldwater Scholarship which is presented annually to only 200 recipients. Exceptionally, one of these students was likewise awarded the highly prestigious Marshall Scholarship which confers a mere 40 national awardees. It is one of the highest awards of achievement for an undergraduate student. Another student was awarded membership in the All-USA College Academic Team as well as awarded, but declined the Gates-Cambridge Scholarship that he might instead begin working under renowned scientist, Dr. Richard Zare, at Stanford.

### Where Do Our Graduates Go?

**Graduate Studies at:**
- California Institute of Technology
- Cornell
- Stanford
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Texas A & M
- UCLA
- Georgia Institute of Technology

**Medical Studies:**
- Emory
- Loma Linda
- John Hopkins
- Mercer
- Medical College of Georgia
- Duke
- Vanderbilt

**Careers in:**
- Research & Development
- CDC
- GBI
- Pharmacology
- University & Secondary Education
The discipline of chemistry and the sphere of chemical research have grown at such a dynamic rate within the last twenty years. No other field has produced such a proliferation of sub-disciplines in the vanguard of research which have directly created so many profound influences on society. It truly is an exciting time to be a chemist!

Chemistry at the University of West Georgia is distinctive in that the size of our institution is large enough to offer a broad range of degree options and up to date laboratory and research instrumentation typical of larger university systems, but still small enough to maintain a highly student oriented program. The faculty understands the academic strength of an individualized atmosphere and strives to maintain a solid student/mentor rapport to facilitate our majors in their academic pursuits. One process by which this is accomplished is through our undergraduate research initiative where students are encouraged and provided the opportunity to participate in faculty directed research projects in relevant and mainstream science. At most universities, research is primarily centered on the graduate student. However, at West Georgia we believe in immersing our undergraduate students into a practical 'hands on' learning environment which will not only enhance them academically, but professionally as well.

The department makes every effort to assure the success of our students. While the faculty boasts a broad array of backgrounds and expertise, we have one goal in mind; a high quality, personal academic environment, underlined by an active undergraduate research experience, and measured by the value and success of our student graduates. We invite you to explore our department and discover for yourself what Chemistry at the University of West Georgia can offer you.

Programs in UWG Chemistry

- BS Chemistry (ACS certified)
- BS Biochemistry (ACS certified)
- BS in Chemistry & Chemical Engineering
- BA Chemistry
- BA Chemistry, Pre-professional
- BA Chemistry, Secondary Education
- Pre-Pharmacy Option
- Minor

The department also sponsors:

- The Honors Program
- Young Scholars Institute