# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
## PHYSICAL SCIENCES MAJOR
### 2014/15 Academic Year

### REQUIRED JUNIOR LEVEL COURSES

| 6 CREDITS | CHEM 101: University Chemistry I | CHEM 102: University Chemistry II |
| 6 CREDITS | EASC 101: Introduction to Physical Earth Science | EASC 102: Environmental Earth Science | EASC 103: Historical Geology [WINTER] |

### GENERAL SENIOR LEVEL COURSES

Please see planning notes on the back of this page for critical information about the structure of this major.

#### CHEMISTRY COURSES
- PHSC 200: Physical Science Field Skills [SPRING]
- CHEM 211: Analytical Chemistry I [FALL]
- CHEM 213: Analytical Chemistry II [WINTER]
- CHEM 232: Inorganic Chemistry [FALL]
- CHEM 241: Biophysical Chemistry [WINTER]
- CHEM 252: Introductory Forensic Science [FALL]
- CHEM 261: Organic Chemistry I [FALL/WINTER]
- CHEM 263: Organic Chemistry II [FALL/WINTER]
- CHEM 270: Environmental Chemistry [FALL]
- CHEM 291: Applied Spectroscopy [WINTER]
- CHEM 311: Advanced Chemical Analysis [FALL]
- CHEM 333: Organometallic Chemistry [NOT OFFERED 2014/15]
- CHEM 353: Forensic Chemistry [WINTER]
- CHEM 362: Advanced Organic Chemistry [EVEN FALL]
- CHEM 364: Medicinal Chemistry [ODD FALL]
- CHEM 370: Advanced Environmental Chemistry [WINTER]
- CHEM 495: Special Topics in Chemistry [NOT OFFERED 2014/15]
- CHEM 498: Independent Research [FALL/WINTER]

#### EARTH AND PLANETARY SCIENCE COURSES
- PHSC 200: Physical Science Field Skills [SPRING]
- EASC 206: Geology of the Solar System [FALL]
- EASC 208: Introduction to Global Change [ODD FALL]
- EASC 209: Geology of Western Canada [WINTER]
- EASC 219: Mineralogy [ODD FALL]
- EASC 221: Introduction to GIS and Remote Sensing [WINTER]
- EASC 225: Introduction to Geomorphology [FALL]
- EASC 226: Soil Science [FALL]
- EASC 230: Invertebrate Paleontology [FALL]
- EASC 238: Geology of Natural Resources [WINTER]
- EASC 270: The Atmosphere [WINTER]
- EASC 294: Resources and the Environment [EVEN FALL]
- EASC 302: Introduction to Geochemistry [ODD WINTER]
- EASC 321: Structural Geology [NOT OFFERED 2014/15]
- EASC 324: Quaternary Environments [WINTER]
- EASC 334: Planetary Surface Imaging [FALL]
- EASC 374: Sustainable Energy Development [EVEN WINTER]
- EASC 375: Paleoclimatology [NOT OFFERED 2014/15]
- EASC 495: Special Topics in Earth and Planetary Science [FALL]
- EASC 498: Independent Research [FALL/WINTER]

#### PHYSICS COURSES
- PHSC 200: Physical Science Field Skills [SPRING]
- PHYS 200: Relative Aspects of Physics [FALL]
- PHYS 208: Quantum Aspects of Physics [FALL]
- PHYS 212: Revolutions in Physics [WINTER]
- PHYS 224: Thermal Physics [WINTER]
- PHYS 244: Mechanics [WINTER]
- PHYS 250: Introduction to Biophysics [FALL]
- PHYS 261: Physics of Energy [WINTER]
- PHYS 301: Nuclear Physics [WINTER]
- PHYS 308: Condensed Matter Physics [FALL]
- PHYS 320: Origins of Elements [FALL]
- PHYS 372: Introduction to Quantum Theory [NOT OFFERED IN 2014/15]
- PHYS 390: Advanced Physics Laboratory [FALL]
- PHYS 495: Special Topics in Physics and Astrophysics [NOT OFFERED 2014/15]
- PHYS 498: Independent Research [FALL/WINTER]

### Important! Please see the back of this page for planning notes.
IMPORTANT PLANNING NOTES

1. Twelve credits from the prerequisite junior level courses can be used toward a student’s core requirements. Additional credits will be placed in a student’s options.
   - The Physical Sciences major requires students to take a high number of junior level credits. Physical Sciences majors must plan their options carefully to ensure that they do not exceed 48 junior level credits, which is the maximum number of junior level credits permitted in a Bachelor of Science degree.

2. Students are required to consult with the MacEwan University Academic Calendar to ensure they meet the prerequisites for all Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics courses they enrol in.

3. Students who choose Earth and Planetary Sciences as one of their primary disciplines, and wish to pursue weather and climate studies should take EASC 102. Students who wish to pursue geology or planetary studies should take EASC 103.

4. The structure of the Physical Sciences major is as follows:
   - **If a student chooses a Physical Sciences minor:**
     a. Students must choose two primary disciplines from Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics, and may choose the third discipline as their minor.
     b. All senior credits in the third discipline will count only toward the minor.
     c. Student must use only courses from their primary disciplines to complete the major’s requirements, with a minimum of 18 senior level credits taken in each discipline.
     d. Students must have 12 credits at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.
   - **If a student chooses a minor other than Physical Sciences:**
     b. Student must take 18 senior level credits in both of their primary disciplines to complete the major’s requirements. An additional six senior level credits must be taken in the third discipline.
     c. Students must have 12 credits in their primary disciplines at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.
   - **If a student chooses no minor:**
     b. Student must take 18 senior level credits in both of their primary disciplines to complete the major’s requirements. An additional six senior level credits must be taken in the third discipline.
     c. Students must have 12 credits in their primary disciplines at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.
     d. The 18 credits normally assigned to a minor will be considered options. Therefore, a student must complete 39 credits of options to be eligible for graduation.
     e. Students must plan their options very carefully, as they can use a maximum of six credits in any Physical Sciences discipline within their options. Students also cannot exceed the 48 credit junior level maximum, and they must complete 72 credits of Science courses.

5. PHSC 200 is a Physical Sciences course that covers material relevant to Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics. It can be used toward a student’s Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics requirements, but while it may be applied to any of these requirements, students can only receive credit for the course one time.
   - Because the Physical Sciences major is not discipline-specific major, PHSC 200 can count toward a student’s major. If it is taken outside the student’s major, it will count toward that student’s maximum of six major/minor credits in their options.

6. Students may take any of CHEM 495, CHEM 498, EASC 495, EASC 498, PHYS 495 and PHYS 498 for credit a maximum of two times, as long as the course topic is different each time they take it.