Graduation with Distinction: Chemistry (CHEM)

Procedure for selection of students
At the beginning of the spring semester of the senior year, a major becomes a candidate for Graduation with Distinction in Chemistry by enrolling in Chemistry 198, Graduation with Distinction in Chemistry. A 3.0 GPA in chemistry courses is required at the time of application and at graduation.

Expected product
Written research thesis, an oral poster presentation based on the independent study project, and an oral defense of the thesis.

Evaluative body
Thesis, poster presentation, and oral defense are evaluated by a three-member faculty committee that includes the research director.

Evaluative procedure
Based on the evaluations of the poster presentation, of the written thesis, and of the oral defense of the thesis.

Levels of distinction
One level: Distinction.

Special courses, other activities required, comments
In the first semester of independent study, candidate must participate in Chemistry 197, Introduction to Research Independent Study. The candidate must complete Chemistry 198 and at least two courses in research independent study in Chemistry (or in an approved field related to chemistry).