

# Department of Chemistry

## HIGHLIGHTS

# #6

Chemistry program,  
U.S. News & World Report  
2021 ranking

# 11

Nobel Prize  
winners

Notable alumnus St. Elmo Brady was the first African-American to receive a chemistry PhD in the United States.

The department receives funding from multiple sources averaging \$25 million annually.

## RESEARCH

Research is conducted in the following areas and through a variety of cross-departmental collaborations. Illinois Chemistry has served as a focal point for interdisciplinary research on campus for over 100 years.



## WAYS TO ENGAGE

The department offers a variety of ways for employers to engage with students, including:

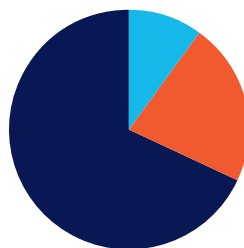
*Life Lessons over Lunch*, résumé critiques, case competitions, annual SCS Spring Career Planning Day, mock interviews, and many others. Contact the School of Chemical Sciences (SCS) Career Services office: 217-333-1051 or [careers@scs.illinois.edu](mailto:careers@scs.illinois.edu).

For more information about engagement opportunities, contact Tracy Parish, Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations: [tparish@illinois.edu](mailto:tparish@illinois.edu).

## STUDENTS

### 2020-21 Undergraduates

149 total undergraduates



10% (15) domestic (non-Illinois)

22% (33) international

68% (101) domestic (Illinois)

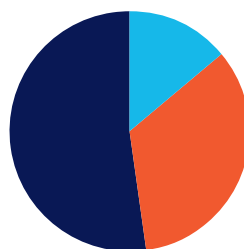
48% women

17% underrepresented minorities

23 BS in Chemistry with ACS certification  
126 BSLAS in Chemistry

### 2020-21 Graduates

56 total graduates



14% (8) international

34% (19) domestic (Illinois)

52% (29) domestic (non-Illinois)

31% women

9% underrepresented minorities

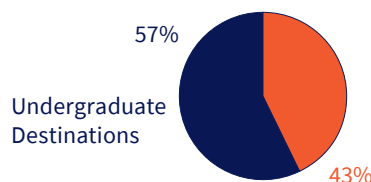
11 MS in Chemistry  
1 MS in the Teaching of Chemistry  
44 PhD in Chemistry

## SUCCESS AFTER GRADUATION

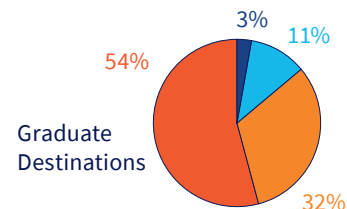
2020-21 numbers



Average full-time salary for graduates:  
BS \$57,300 and PhD \$111,843.



Graduate/Professional School  
Industry  
Postdoc



Academic  
Government/Other