

STEM MAJORS

From Study to Skills

STEM is an acronym for the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. At Rutgers University- Camden, we offer several STEM majors including Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, and Physics. However, many of our majors offer the opportunity to explore multiple STEM majors together and gain valuable experience for employment.

- The Biology major is appropriate for students interested in biological science, which includes research, pharmacy, agriculture, pre-medicine, and pre-dentistry.
- The Chemistry major has four options: the Traditional Chemistry Program, the Certificate Program, The Biochemistry Program, and the Chemistry- Business Program. These majors will prepare students for careers in chemistry, biochemistry, allied health, or non-laboratory aspects of the chemical industry.
- The Computer Science major offers a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts program. The Bachelor of Science program is for students pursuing careers in science and engineering. The Bachelor of Arts program has a multi-disciplinary focus which includes the humanities, social sciences, and business.
- The Mathematics major has three programs: Pure Mathematics, Applied and Computational Mathematics, and Mathematics Education. Pure Mathematics is intended for students interested in traditional mathematics, Applied and Computational Mathematics is for students interested in a multi-disciplinary STEM approach, and Mathematics Education is for students interested in teaching.
- The Physics major offers a traditional Physics track or a Physics degree with an emphasis in Computer Science.

Skills and Abilities

Research Skills- Students will learn to define problems, formulate hypotheses, design and execute experimental protocol, record observations, collect data, interpret results, utilize statistical tests to predict outcomes, and practice laboratory techniques and scientific collaboration.

Investigative Skills- Students will use the scientific method, statistical analysis, reasoning, operating systems, and identify problems, inspect and handle biological specimens, monitor experiments, and practice manual dexterity.

Mathematical Skills- Students will learn the language of mathematics, computational skills, logical reasoning, complex problem solving, mathematical skills and modeling, pattern recognition, advanced quantitative skills, ability to perceive patterns and structures, the ability to generate solutions, and develop logical reasoning.

Analytical Thinking- Students will develop critical thinking skills, enhance abstract and formal reasoning, apply mathematics to the physical world, perform advanced statistical analysis, interpret and organize information, analyze data qualitatively and quantitatively, consider problems with a broad perspective, apply theoretical approaches, develop models and theories, and learn computer literacy.

Communication Skills- Students will report results, create logical arguments, practice technical writing skills, convey complex information, read and evaluate technical information, present alternative explanations, interpret and write scientific articles, and contribute to teams.

Internships

In the Past, Rutgers—Camden STEM students have interned with the following employers:

American Water	Jefferson University Hospital
Campbell Soup	Johns Hopkins Cancer Center
Cherry Hill West High School Athletic Department	Lockheed Martin
The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	The Philadelphia Science Festival
Christiana Care Health System	The Philadelphia Zoo
Cooper University Hospital Emergency Department	Rutgers Camden Biology Department
Coriell Institute for Medical Research	Thomas Jefferson University
Deborah Heart and Lung Center	Subaru of North America
The Forensic Science Center	Target
Fox Chase Cancer Center	USDA Agricultural Research Service
	US Department of Energy

What Careers Are Available For STEM Majors

The following are samples of first jobs of Rutgers-Camden STEM majors:

Analyst, Bank of America	Microbiology Laboratory Prep Technician, EMSL Analytical Inc.
Assistant Project Manager, Miles Technologies	Operations Scientist, Merck & Co
Associate Scientist, Colgate Palmolive	Patent Examiner, US Patent & Trademark Office
Associate, Bayada Home Health Care	Process Engineer, Kulite Semiconductor
Behavior Support Associate, Bancroft	Production Associate, Media Radar Inc.
Chemist, US Food and Drug Administration	Programmer, Bell Atlantic
Computer Scientist, CECOM	Project Engineer, Lowe Paper Company
Computer Systems Analyst, Delaware Investments	Quality Assurance Specialist, Defense Contract
Crime Scene Analyst, CRA Inc.	Quality Control Lab Technician, Mafco Worldwide Corporation
Data Analyst, Showboat Hotel Casino	Quality Engineer, Frigidaire Corporation
Data processing & Programmer, NJ Department of the Treasury	Research Engineer, Universal Display Corporation
Environmental Specialist, NJ Department of Environmental Protection	Software Developer, Sauper Associates
Helicopter Production Engineer, Avionics	Software Engineer, L-3 Communications
High School Biology Teacher, Cherry Hill High School	Sr. Computer Operator, Brown Brothers Hariman
Infrastructure Specialist, The Boeing Company	Systems Engineer, Compulink Management Center

Graduate School Options

Rutgers- Camden STEM majors have earned Master's and Doctorate level degrees in all fields of science and medicine. These degrees include the Allied Health Professions, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Computer Science, Education, Engineering, Forensic Science, Information Science, Law, Medicine, and Physics.

Resources

Consider joining the American Medical Students Association, the Biology Club, the Chemistry Club, or Student Health Advocates.

Consider joining STEM Scholars or Q-STEP.

Assist a faculty member with their research.

Contact the Career Center:

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