

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry Mission Statement

As a department we strive to integrate undergraduate and graduate education in a manner that provides an exceptional educational experience for our undergraduate students, offers opportunities in research at the cutting edge of our disciplines for our graduate students, and creates an environment conducive to excellence in scholarship and teaching for members of our faculty. We are committed to providing effective, rigorous, learning experiences for all our students, both majors and non-majors, in and out of the classroom. Undergraduates have access to a variety of meaningful research projects in well-equipped and well-funded laboratories under the direction of faculty who are current in their disciplines. In those same laboratories graduate students work with undergraduate students on significant research projects as they prepare themselves to work as independent scientists. Post-doctoral research associates participate with and extend the reach of faculty members in providing mentoring to undergraduate and graduate students. Our research efforts should produce discoveries that move science forward and contribute to society in meaningful ways.

It is our goal to create a department toward which the best LDS undergraduate and graduate students will gravitate because of the high quality of the instruction, the range and quality of the learning opportunities outside the classroom, and the combined faith and scholarly excellence of the faculty.