# Annexe A: New/Revised Course Content in OBTL+ Format

## **Course Overview**

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Expected Implementation in Academic Year	AY2025-2026
Semester/Trimester/Others (specify approx. Start/End date)	Semester 1 Semester 2
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Course Title	Honours Project 2
Course Code	CM4073
Academic Units	3
Contact Hours	39
Research Experience Components	Final Year Project (FYP)

## Course Requisites (if applicable)

Pre-requisites	CM3061 and CM3062 or by permission
Co-requisites	
Pre-requisite to	
Mutually exclusive to	
Replacement course to	
Remarks (if any)	

## **Course Aims**

This 13-week research-based Final Year Project programme is offered as an optional course for all Chemistry, Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology undergraduate students.

The purpose of this undergraduate research course is for students to gain academic research experience, or students who will take or have taken the Honours Project 1 (CM4071) to begin or extend their projects, respectively. This

course enables students applying knowledge and skills in an authentic research environment. Students will carry out a small research project with one or more faculty members in the School of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology.

# Course's Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs)

Upon the successful completion of this course, you (student) would be able to:

ILO 1	Apply knowledge and skills relevantly and appropriately in the research laboratory. [Apply fundamental chemistry knowledge, logical reasoning, chemical laboratory and/or computational skills to analyse and solve problems in a research project]
ILO 2	Identify your own competency gaps at the research laboratory.
ILO 3	Evaluate and develop personal learning and development pathways towards bridging competency gaps identified in point (2) above. [Identify technical skills needed to solve problems in a research project]
ILO 4	Develop and apply strategies to solve problems effectively (involves critical thinking and creativity, generating questions, resourcing, application and reiteration). [To formulate research question; methodically develop approaches to tackle problems using scientific approach; collect and analyse data to make rigorous and objective deductions.]
ILO 5	Evaluate resources and develop insights to make informed judgements and recommendations.  [Exhibit awareness of relevant knowledge through literature review and critically evaluate sources of scientific/non-scientific information.]
ILO 6	Discuss and Appraise significance, impact results and future plan of the research project
ILO 7	Reflect on the culture at the research laboratory.
ILO 8	Reflect on personal and professional development needs within the research laboratory.
ILO 9	Apply time and task management strategies effectively. [Spend adequate time on the project to ensure rigour and quality]
ILO 10	Apply effective written and oral communication skills in professional settings when communicating and connecting with research supervisor and colleagues. [Communicate (in writing and speaking) scientific and non-scientific ideas effectively to professional scientists]
ILO 11	Assimilate into the work environment (people, team, hierarchy) and function effectively.  [Communicate effectively with team members when working in a group and contribute as a valued team member when working in a group]
ILO 12	Tolerate ambiguity and handle anxiety.
ILO 13	Contribute proactively to the research laboratory
ILO 14	Demonstrate responsibility, integrity and professionalism in the fulfilment of all research requirements. [Readily pick up new skills, particularly technology related ones, to tackle new problems.]

ILO 15	Demonstrate the persistence to learn, overcome and improve.
ILO 16	Use tools that enable and facilitate effective project/work/assignment undertaken at the research laboratory.

## **Course Content**

In this Final Year Project programme, you (as a student) will experience supervised research work in a selected
field of study. You will be supervised by the faculty from the School of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering and
Biotechnology to achieve the intended learning outcomes listed. The specific content is dependent on the
selection field of study.

# Reading and References (if applicable)

Reading materials are dependent on the selected field of study and specific to each project. Faculty Supervisor will recommend reading materials, and students will conduct a comprehensive literature review as well.

# **Planned Schedule**

Week or Session	Topics or Themes	ILO	Readings	Delivery Mode	Activities
1	The weekly schedule will be discussed and agreed on between students and their Faculty Supervisors.	1-16	Reading materials are dependent on the selected field of study and specific to each project. Faculty Supervisor will recommend reading materials, and students will conduct a comprehensive literature review as well.	In-person	Research
2	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
3	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
4	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
5	Research			In-person	Research
6	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
7	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
8	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
9	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
10	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
11	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
12	Research	1-16		In-person	Research
13	Research	1-16		In-person	Research

# Learning and Teaching Approach

Approach	How does this approach support you in achieving the learning outcomes?
Research	This Final Year Project programme is an experiential research programme done in a professional setting. You will be placed in a research laboratory and will undertake work assignments and research projects, where you learn to be responsible, independent, self-disciplined and self-motivated. You are expected to become better at managing your time, resources and emotions in this supervised research work. You would also acquire critical and logical thinking skills, and creative problem solving skills. You would gain confidence in your work and themselves, and develop fine oral and written communication skills. The Faculty Supervisor will be the key person working with and interacting with you on a day-to-day basis.

## **Assessment Structure**

Assessment Components (includes both continuous and summative assessment)

No.	Component	ILO	Related PLO or Accreditation	Weightage	Team/Individual	Rubrics	Level of Understanding
1	Continuous Assessment (CA): Project(Performance [Assessed by Project Supervisor])	1- 16	Competency, Creativity, Communication, Character, Civic- mindedness	40	Individual	Holistic	Multistructural
2	Continuous Assessment (CA): Report/Case study(Written Report [Assessed by Project Supervisor])	1- 5, 10- 11, 1	Competency, Creativity, Communication, Character	30	Individual	Holistic	Multistructural
3	Continuous Assessment (CA): Presentation(Oral Presentation [Assessed by Project Supervisor])	1- 5, 10- 11, 16	Competency, Creativity, Communication, Character	30	Individual	Holistic	Multistructural

#### Description of Assessment Components (if applicable)

This is a Pass/Fail graded course with the final outcome determined by your Faculty Supervisor . The assessments will be based on the above intended learning outcomes (ILOs) and you should familiarise yourself with them as they will be your focus throughout this Final Year Project programme. Your Faculty Supervisor will also assess your overall committment and performance in the research laboratory. He/She will complete the evaluation at the end of your programme.

#### Formative Feedback

Continuous Feedback on Performance will be provided by Faculty Supervisor or designated mentor.

# NTU Graduate Attributes/Competency Mapping

This course intends to develop the following graduate attributes and competencies (maximum 5 most relevant)

Attributes/Competency	Level
Communication	Basic
Creative Thinking	Basic
Curiosity	Basic
Problem Solving	Basic
Self-Management	Basic

## **Course Policy**

#### Policy (Academic Integrity)

Good academic work depends on honesty and ethical behaviour. The quality of your work as a student relies on adhering to the principles of academic integrity and to the NTU Honour Code, a set of values shared by the whole university community. Truth, Trust and Justice are at the core of NTU's shared values. As a student, it is important that you recognize your responsibilities in understanding and applying the principles of academic integrity in all the work you do at NTU. Not knowing what is involved in maintaining academic integrity does not excuse academic dishonesty. You need to actively equip yourself with strategies to avoid all forms of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, academic fraud, collusion and cheating. If you are uncertain of the definitions of any of these terms, you should go to the academic integrity website for more information. On the use of technological tools (such as Generative Al tools), different courses / assignments have different intended learning outcomes. Students should refer to the specific assignment instructions on their use and requirements and/or consult your instructors on how you can use these tools to help your learning. Consult your instructor(s) if you need any clarification about the requirements of academic integrity in the course.

#### Policy (General)

Students are expected to complete all assigned readings and research activities, attend all research group meetings punctually and take all scheduled laboratory duties by due dates. Students are expected to participate in all research discussions and activities.

#### Policy (Absenteeism)

Absence from research activities without a valid reason and without informing your supervisor will affect your overall course grade. Valid reasons for absence include falling sick supported by a medical certificate and participation in NTU's approved

activities supported by an excuse letter from the relevant bodies. You must inform your Faculty Supervisor via email prior to any absence and well in advance.

#### Policy (Others, if applicable)

**Diversity and Inclusion Policy** 

Integrating a diverse set of experiences is important for a more comprehensive understanding of science and engineering.

It is our goal to create an inclusive and collaborative learning environment that supports a diversity of perspectives and learning experiences. That honours your identities; including ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, religion or ability.

#### To help accomplish this:

- If you are neuroatypical or neurodiverse, have dyslexia or ADHD (for example), or have a social anxiety disorder or social phobia;
- If you feel your performance in the course is being impacted by your experiences outside of class;
- If something was said in the course (by anyone, including instructor/supervisor) that made you uncomfortable.

Please e-mail to your Associate Chair (Students & Continuing Education) at ac-cceb-stud@ntu.edu.sg about how we can help facilitate your learning experience.

As a participant in course discussions you should also strive to honour the diversity of your classmates. You can do this by; using preferred pronouns and names; being respectful of others opinions and actively making sure all voices are being heard; and refraining from the use of derogatory or demeaning speech or actions.

All members of the course are expected to strictly adhere to the student code of conduct ( https://www.ntu.edu.sg/life-at-ntu/student-life/student-conduct). If you witness something that goes against this or have any other concerns, please speak to your instructors or a faculty member.

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