

## **Applications Sought for the 2026 Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) Certificate of Undergraduate Excellence.**

The Department of Chemistry has been invited to nominate **undergraduate** students to receive recognition from the RSC alongside an RSC book prize or a voucher for RSC student membership. This is a recognition program for university students in North America who have shown significant achievement in the chemical sciences. Last year, over 120 undergraduate students were recognized for this RSC prize including students from Canadian universities (Memorial University of Newfoundland, University of Toronto, University of Alberta, Université de Montréal, University of Calgary, Queen's University, etc).

The RSC is not accepting self-nominations, but the Department of Chemistry is willing to nominate **two undergraduates** for this year's Certificate of Excellence.

If you would like to be considered, please provide a 1-page (maximum) letter describing;

1. Research projects you have participated in and evidence of research outcomes (publications, presentations, etc).
2. Your leadership roles in the Chemistry department and your community
3. Any significant challenges you have faced but have persevered through.

Your letter should be addressed to Prof Ian Burgess (head of the Department of Chemistry's Undergraduate Affairs Committee) and sent by email to [chem.dept@usask.ca](mailto:chem.dept@usask.ca).

**The deadline for submissions to the Department is April 24<sup>th</sup> / 2026.** Applicants who are selected to be nominated will be informed prior to the RSC's deadline of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

Winners will receive recognition from the RSC alongside an RSC Book prize or a voucher for RSC Student Membership. Such an award looks very impressive on graduate school and scholarship applications.