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Students earning a thesis-based MS degree in chemistry through the Accelerated program are also expected to demonstrate proficiency in three subfields of chemistry, as described above. Because they are enrolled concurrently in the BS and the MS program at NAU, students in the Accelerated program will be enrolled in courses in the proficiency areas to fulfill their undergraduate degree requirements. When students pass the courses with a B or better, they demonstrate proficiency in those areas.

Upon matriculation into the Accelerated program, students will complete the Proficiency Exam Plan form with their advisor to indicate the three subfields in which they will demonstrate proficiency. The Graduate Committee will consult the student's transcript to determine if proficiency is met in each of the three selected subfields. If a student earns a C or lower in any of the three selected areas, the Graduate Committee will require the student pass the corresponding proficiency exam(s). All policies for the proficiency exams described above apply.