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John M. Stewart on B. S. degree in chemistry

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A statement clarifying the status of the new B. S. degree in chemistry at Montana State University has been issued by Dr. John M. Stewart, chairman of the Chemistry Department. The bachelor of science degree was approved at the April meeting of the board of regents.

Dr. Stewart explained that the new degree is in addition to the bachelor of which arts degree in chemistry/ has been given by the department for many years and which has met all the standards of the American Chemical Society for a professional degree in chemistry.

In keeping with revision of American Chemical Society standards to meet the expanding field of knowledge in chemistry, the new B. S. degree will allow a student to apply more credits in chemistry toward the total needed for graduation than are applicable under the B. A. degree, Dr. Stewart said. The bachelor of science will now be the professional degree. The bachelor of arts degree in chemistry will be retained but with somewhat less stringent requirements.

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