Feedback on the education in the

**M. Sc. programme Computational Chemistry**

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The education at the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy contributed to: The education at the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy equipped me with the ability to understand and analyze novel and complex theories, as well as seek answers to intriguing and challenging questions. It also provided me with the opportunity to meet and interact with exceptional academic scholars who not only impressed me with their intelligence, knowledge and progressive scientific thinking, but also prompted me to appreciate the importance of ethics and morality in science. Additionally, this education refined my critical thinking, encouraged me to be creative and sharped my methodical and organizational skills. Most importantly, it encouraged me to develop a strong and collaborative relationships with my colleagues.

The education at in the M. Sc. program Computational Chemistry contributed to: The "Computational Chemistry" master's program enhanced my confidence in the scientific possibilities and future advancements of quantum chemistry. Moreover, the advanced knowledge I acquired in computer modeling, programming, molecular dynamics, nanotechnology, spectroscopy, along with the opportunity to work on interdisciplinary research projects and the ability to learn and utilize various computational software, have been instrumental for my scientific research and have played an important part in my professional development.

Critical notes or recommendations to the education in the M. Sc. program: Choosing to pursue a career in theoretical chemistry has enlighten my path and ensured me a fulfilling future! That is why I highly recommend the master's program in Computational Chemistry.

Your wishes to the current and future students: Be brave! Believe in yourself and follow your dreams!

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