

CHEMISTRY 103 SYLLABUS

*No man can be a pure specialist
without being, in a strict sense, an idiot.*

- George Bernard Shaw

*Just when I found the meaning of
life, they changed it.*

- George Carlin

CHEM 103 Spring 2014 Semester

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Text: Principles of General, Organic, and Biochemistry; Smith; McGraw Hill; 2012.

Lab Manual: Self-prepared

3 lecture hours; 2 lab hours

Grading Scale:	90.0 – 100	A
	80.0 – 89.9	B
	70.0 – 79.9	C
	60.0 – 69.9	D
	Below <60	F

Grades will consist of:

Exams: There will be three semester exams in this course, each one covering a section of the outline. Each exam will be worth 130 – 140 points and not comprehensive (i.e. no comprehensive final). The exams will be divided up into multiple choice questions (which may be delivered online) and written problems to solve, taken in class. If you cannot make it to an exam, then you must notify me **24 hours** before, or **48 hours** after, the test date. Makeup work is possible for those students who miss material due to extenuating circumstances. The exams are a combination of multiple choice and problem solving. Mondays or Tuesdays will be dedicated to lecture and Wednesdays or Thursdays will be dedicated to labs.

Tentative Exam Dates: The exam schedule is tentative; it may fluctuate due to changing circumstances; dates will depend on the extent of material covered and speed with which it is covered. Exam dates will be announced in class.

Total points = 400

Laboratory Quizzes and Assignments: There will be a number of labs in this course, with each lab having a laboratory write-up. Each write-up will be worth 10 points, with a minimum of 12 labs, for a total of 120 points. Through the course of the semester there may also be additional labs that I will provide not found in the lab manual. Lab work cannot be made up, so don't miss any labs. There will also be 9 homework assignments given in class worth 20 points each. These are problem solving homework and are important for studying for the test. The total points for lab quizzes and homework is 300.

Total points = 300

Point break down:

400 points from lecture

300 points from lab _____

Total: 700 points

Grades will be based on total point accumulation.

Attendance:

All students are expected to attend every class. Students must attend lab sessions for credit. I will take attendance every class period. If you miss class periods regularly, I will have you withdrawn from the class. All assignments must be handed in on time or 10% will be deducted for each calendar day the item is late.