

2400 Course Syllabus Fall 2015

Organic Chemistry 1

Chemistry 2400

M/W/F: 12:00 pm – 1:10 pm

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Office Hours: 15:00-17:00 on Monday and Wednesday. **No office hours on the day of an exam.**

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Required Text: 1. Organic Chemistry, 9th Ed., by John McMurry

2. ACS Study Guide.

3. OWL online HW:

Link for the CHEM2400 Microsite: <http://www.cengagebrain.com/course/1-1QJOY9D>

Recommended: 1. Organic Chemistry I & II: A Student Workbook

2. Introduction to Spectroscopy, by Pavia, Lapman, and Kriz

Week	Week of....	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
1	Aug 24	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
2	Aug 31	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 1 & Lecture
3	Sept. 7	Holiday ☺	Lecture	Quiz 2 & Lecture
4	Sept. 14	Lecture	Exam 1 ☹	Lecture
5	Sept. 21	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 3 & Lecture
6	Sept 28	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 4 & Lecture
7	Oct 5	Lecture	Exam 2 ☹	Lecture
8	Oct 12	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
9	Oct 19	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 5 & Lecture
10	Oct 26	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 6 & Lecture
11	Nov 2	Lecture	Exam 3 ☹	Lecture
12	Nov 9	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 7 & Lecture
13	Nov 16	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 8 & Lecture
14	Nov 23	Holiday ☺	Holiday ☺	Holiday ☺
15	Nov 30	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
16	Dec 7	Exam 4 ☹	No Class	No Class
17	Dec 14	FINAL EXAM		

Semester Midpoint: Tuesday Oct 13th

Final Exam: Mon. Dec 14th 10:45 am – 13:15 pm

Grading Scheme:

4 exams will be given during the Semester. At the end of the Semester, **the lowest grade will be dropped.**

8 Short quizzes will be given, the lowest two of which will be dropped.

Homework: Online HW and Written HW

Final exam: ACS National Exam. You are strongly encouraged to take all four in-course exams since selected material from these exams will appear on the final exam.

Letter Grades:

A+ = >96%

A = 92% - 95%

A- = 88% - 91%

B+ = 84% - 87%

B = 79% - 83%

B- = 75% - 78%

C+ = 71% - 74%

C = 66% - 70%

C- = 60% - 65%

D = 57% - 59%

F = < 57%

No make-up examinations or quizzes will be given. Missed examinations will be recorded as a **zero**. Valid excuses may be brought to my Office during my scheduled office hours. For excused quiz and exam, **comprehensive quiz or exam will be provide at the end of the semester**

To receive a passing grade in this course, the student MUST

Take all required quizzes, all required exams, and the final examination.

Examinations: The best 3 of the 4 examination grades will be counted toward the student's grade if all exams are taken. Each student is allowed to drop one exam grade. There will be no make-up exams. I will replace an excused absence grade with the equal grade immediately following the grade missed. ***I will pass out a Roll during the exam*** The roll is to be passed around during the exam. ***ANY STUDENT who does NOT sign the roll will receive a Zero for that exam even if a test is submitted.**

The professor reserves the right to move ANYONE during the Examination for ANY REASON without explanation. If you are asked to relocate gather your test and move to the newly assigned seat quietly.

In-class quizzes: The best 6 quiz grades out of 8 will be counted toward the final grade. There will be no make-up quizzes. Missed quizzes will be recorded as zero. There will be no make-up quizzes.

HW: Graded HW will be done using OWL. This is an online HW available through the publisher of your text book. Information can be found at:

<http://www.cengagebrain.com/micro/gsuorgchem>

I will also collect *written homeworks* throughout the semester. Written homeworks can **ONLY** be collected and returned during lecture. Dates of HW are to be announced.

Class Attendance and Preparation: Students are responsible for class preparation and for any material presented in the course of the lectures *whether or not it is contained in the textbook*; however, all material is available in the course text. **Organic Chemistry is a *highly* structured course, with each new topic based on others previously developed.** Thus it is *critical* for students to keep *consistently* up-to-date in their readings and assignments. To fall even one class period behind is to risk considerable difficulty in mastering future material. Therefore students should

- 1) **Review** previous material, especially if it was not perfectly understood
- 2) **Continuously read** ahead of the lectures in the textbook *before* the lecture in which the topics are covered, or at least immediately after the lecture
- 3) **Complete assigned problems** and exercises on time, with an emphasis on mastery of concepts and principles involved rather than looking for a formula that will give the expected answer (*remember that the question can be asked in a different way and not just with different numbers!*)

Students are expected to attend all classes and are responsible for all assignments and materials presented. **In the event of unavoidable absences, it is the responsibility of the student to find out what materials were covered or what assignments made in his or her absence.**

Class Attendance: Students are expected to attend all lecture classes.

Students are required to take all quizzes, lecture exams and the course final exam.

Note: Sometime after the mid-point of each course (an exact date will be set by the Provost or his designee), the University now requires faculty members to: 1) Give an F to any student who is on the course roll but no longer attending class and 2) Report the last day the student attended class or turned in an assignment. Students who are withdrawn may petition the Departmental Chair for reinstatement into their classes. Students who withdraw themselves by the mid-point of the course will receive a W under this policy.

Laptops and Digital Devices

Laptops, Tablets, Cell Phones, Portable Video Devices, Portable, Handheld game consoles, and many other digital devices are very distracting to the people around you. If you are going to use these devices during class you should sit in the last three rows of the classroom as to minimize the impact on other students.

Some Examples of Unacceptable Student Conduct:

- Not following the testing procedures as instructed.
- Talking while your professor is lecturing.
- Arguing with the professor about student conduct.

- Not sitting up straight with paper directly in front of you during an exam.
- Not keeping your scantron or exam papers covered during an exam.
- Using a disrespectful tone of voice, harsh words or profanity.
- Making inappropriate gestures of any kind.
- Leaving class before the lecture is over.
- Letting your cell phone ring audibly during a lecture or exam.
- Having a cell phone available during a quiz or test.
- Not having your student ID for a quiz or test.
- Arriving late for lecture or for an exam.
- Allowing your laboratory data or answers to be copied.

Cell Phones: TURN YOUR RINGERS OFF. All phones should be set to silent **ESPECIALLY** during Exams and Quizzes. No cell phone shows in any visible place during the Exams and Quizzes.

Chemistry Department Policy on Student Conduct and Integrity: The *Georgia State University Policy on Academic Honesty* is in force in this course. This includes but is not necessarily limited to infractions in the area of *plagiarism, cheating on examinations, unauthorized collaborations, falsification, and multiple submissions*. This policy is published in *On Campus: the Student Handbook*, which is available to all members of the university community.

All examinations must represent your individual effort, with no unauthorized aid. To either *give* or *receive* unauthorized information during an examination is cheating, as is the use of *any* unauthorized supplementary material. In addition all laboratory work performed in conjunction with this course must represent your individual effort. Only original data obtained by your own *in-laboratory* experimentation are permitted to be used, except when *expressly authorized* by your laboratory instructor. Data from supplementary sources, handbooks, reference literature, etc. must be *clearly referenced* (title, author, volume, pages(s), etc.). Falsification or destruction of data constitutes cheating as well. Conduct disruptive of class, examinations, or laboratories *or* falsification or destruction of information related to chemistry courses will be taken as a violation of the policies of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the Georgia State University Student Code of Conduct, Section 6.0. Any suspected offenses may be referred to the Chairman of the Department or the Dean of Students for appropriate disciplinary action.

The foregoing provides a general plan for the course, deviations from which may be necessary. The instructor will announce any such changes in class.