

2400 Course Syllabus Fall 2016

Organic Chemistry 1

Chemistry 2400

Class M/W/F: 11:00 – 12:10 am

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Office Hours: Monday –1:00-3:00 pm; Wednesday and Friday 8:30 – 10:30am or by email appointment.

I DO NOT hold office hours on the day of an exam.

E-mail: jharden@gsu.edu; Send emails from **your GSU** email account **only**. **Do NOT EMAIL or REPLY directly from iCollege**. I cannot reply to you if you do. Please include YOUR NAME and the COURSE TITLE in the SUBJECT of the email

Week	Week of....	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
1	August 20 th	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
2	August 27 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 1 & Lecture
3	September 3 rd	Holiday	Lecture	Quiz 2 & Lecture
4	September 10 th	Lecture	Exam 1	Lecture
5	September 17 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 3 & Lecture
6	September 24 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 4 & Lecture
7	October 1 st	Lecture	Lecture	Exam 2
8	October 8 th	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
9	October 15 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 5 & Lecture
10	October 22 nd	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 6 & Lecture
11	October 29 th	Lecture	Exam 3	Lecture
12	November 5 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 7 & Lecture
13	November 12 th	Lecture	Lecture	Quiz 8 & Lecture
14	November 19 th	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
15	November 26 th	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture
16	December 3 rd	Exam 4	No Class	No Class
17	December 11 th			

Semester Midpoint: Tuesday October 9th

Final Exam: Monday December 5th 10:45am-1:15pm

Please bring me a schedule of your **OBSERVED RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS** by the **SECOND WEEK** of class. If you fail to do so you might miss important quizzes for this course

Grading Scheme: **FOUR exams** will be given during the Semester. At the end of the Semester the lowest grade will be dropped. The average score from the remaining three exams will count **55%** of your final grade. **8 Short quizzes** will be given, the lowest of which will be dropped, and they will contribute **10%** to your final grade. The **homework** for the class will contribute **5%** to your final grade. There will be a **final exam**, which will count **30%** of the final grade. 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. A missed assignment will be recorded as a 0. Students must fill out a Missed Assignment Form (Form is on iCollege) and bring it, along with valid documentation, to me during office hours. Students have the option of replacing the missed grade with either the following quiz or exam or with a cumulative quiz or exam at the end of the semester.

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

1) 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 can drop one of the first three in class exams. Exam 4 and the Final Exam cannot be dropped. There will be no make-up exams. I will replace an excused absence grade with the equal grade immediately following the grade missed. ***I may 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.**

I reserve 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.

Quizzes: The best 7 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. Quizzes will be administered either at the beginning of lecture on the assigned day or via icollege. Additional Quiz points will be distributed without notice during the course of the semester.

HW:

I will also distribute collect *written homework* throughout the semester. Written homework can **ONLY** be collected and returned during lecture. Dates of HW assignments will not 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: ALL CELL PHONES WILL BE SET TO OFF DURING AN EXAM.

NOT SILENT BUT OFF

All phones should be set to off **ESPECIALLY** during Exams and Quizzes. In case of an Emergency where you would need you phone on during an exam you must clear that with me prior to the start of the exam.

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.

If your phone goes off during an exam you may be asked to leave the exam.

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.

Use of Class Materials

The materials used in this class, including, but not limited to, exams, quizzes, and homework assignments are copyright protected works. Any unauthorized copying of the class materials is a violation of federal law and may result in disciplinary actions being taken against the student. Additionally, the sharing of class materials without the specific, express approval of the instructor may be a violation of the University's Student Honor Code and an act of academic dishonesty, which could result in further disciplinary action. This includes, among other things, uploading class materials to websites for the purpose of sharing those materials with other current or future students.

I share my material freely with my classes, there is no need to buy or sell my class notes, workshops, etc.