

CHEM 0730
UHC Organic Chemistry 1
Fall 2018

MWF 11:00-11:50 am; Chevron 135
Tu 12:00-12:50 pm (recitation); Eberle 228

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Exam Schedule:

Exam 1	Ch. 1 – Ch. 5	Oct. 3
Exam 2	Ch. 6 – Ch. 9	Nov. 5
Exam 3	Ch. 10 – Ch. 12	Dec. 5
Final Exam	Ch. 1 – Ch. 13	Dec. 12, 8:00-9:50 am

(Exam dates above are tentative. Actual dates will be confirmed in class.)

Course materials:

Organic Chemistry, Structure and Function, Seventh Edition by Vollhardt and Schore
Study Guide and Solutions Manual for Vollhardt and Schore text (optional)
Molecular Model Set (optional)

Recitation:

A recitation session will be held weekly on Tuesdays from 12:00-12:50 pm. Material covered in recitations will be driven primarily by students. Come prepared with questions about recent lectures, unclear concepts, problems from the text, etc. We will also use recitation time to work through practice problems together.

Peer-Led Recitation:

A voluntary recitation/review session will be held weekly (time to be announced the first week of class) and led by Arjun Mittal, a student who completed CHEM 0730/0740 last year. The peer-led recitations will include practice problem sets as well as an opportunity to ask questions about concepts from lecture.

Working Problems:

There is no better way to master organic chemistry than by working problems. Besides reinforcing concepts, such practice prepares students to effectively demonstrate their knowledge during exams. At the beginning of each chapter, a list of suggested problems from the book will be provided. While this material will not be graded, completion of these problem sets is strongly encouraged.

Learning Objectives:

At the beginning of each chapter, a file will be posted to CourseWeb with a set of Learning Objectives for that chapter. This document will frame the key concepts to be covered in terms of a set of clearly defined proficiencies. These documents are used heavily in the design of exam questions, and you may find them helpful in guiding study efforts.

Course Grading:

Each of the three midterms will contribute 20% toward the course grade, and the final will contribute 40%. Make-up exams will not be offered. If you miss a midterm exam for any reason or would like to drop a low midterm score, the best two midterms will contribute 25% and the final 50%. The grading option for each student that gives them the higher score for the course will be automatically applied.

Exam Grading:

If you believe that a part of an exam was graded in error, you may request that it be reviewed. Such requests must be made in writing no later than the next class period after exams are returned. Attach a cover page to the exam identifying which problem(s) you believe were scored incorrectly. The entire exam will be reviewed, the score adjusted if appropriate, and the exam returned promptly. This policy is the only mechanism by which an assigned exam grade will be reconsidered.

Academic Integrity:

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CHEM 0730 Lecture Schedule – Fall 2018

(tentative)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
Aug. 27, 29	Chapter 1 - Structure and Bonding in Organic Molecules
Aug. 31; Sept. 5, 7	Chapter 2 - Structure and Reactivity, Acids and Bases
Sept. 10, 12, 14	Chapter 3 - Reactions of Alkanes
Sept. 17, 19, 21	Chapter 4 - Cycloalkanes
Sept. 24, 26, 28	Chapter 5 - Stereoisomers
Oct. 1	Chapter 6 - Properties and Reactions of Haloalkanes
Oct. 3	Exam 1 (Ch. 1 – Ch. 5)
Oct. 5, 8	Chapter 6 - Properties and Reactions of Haloalkanes
Oct. 10, 12, 16(*Tu*)	Chapter 7 - Further Reactions of Haloalkanes
Oct. 17, 19, 22	Chapter 8 - Hydroxy Functional Group: Alcohols
Oct. 24, 26, 29	Chapter 9 - Further Reactions of Alcohols and Ethers
Oct. 31; Nov. 2	Chapter 10 - Using NMR Spectroscopy to Deduce Structure
Nov. 5	Exam 2 (Ch. 6 – Ch. 9)
Nov. 7, 9, 12	Chapter 11 - Alkenes
Nov. 14, 16, 19, 26, 28	Chapter 12 - Reactions of Alkenes
Nov. 30; Dec. 3	Chapter 13 - Alkynes
Dec. 5	Exam 3 (Ch. 10 – Ch. 12)
Dec. 7	Chapter 13 - Alkynes
Dec. 12	Final Exam (Ch. 1 – Ch. 13)