



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
COURSE OUTLINE
FALL 2017

1. Course: COURSE: CHEMISTRY 209, General Chemistry for Engineers

LEC	DAY	TIME	ROOM	INSTRUCTOR	OFFICE	EMAIL	OFFICE HOURS
L02	TR	12:30-1:45	SB103	Dr. N. Sandblom	SA 144J	nicole.sandblom@ucalgary.ca	TBA
L01	TR	2:00-3:15	SB 103	Dr. V. Mozol	SA 144E	vjmozol@ucalgary.ca	TBA
Course Coordinator:				Dr. V. Mozol	SA 144E	vjmozol@ucalgary.ca	TBA
Tutorial & Lab Coordinator:				Dr. Amanda Musgrove Richer	SA 144F	amanda.musgroveriche@ucalgary.ca	TBA

Laboratories start September 11th, 2017, Tutorials start September 18th, 2017

Course website ([CHEM 209 ALL - \(Fall 2017\) - General Chemistry For Engineers](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/chemistry.html#6509)) can be reached via the course management system, D2L.

Departmental Office: SA 229, Tel: 403- 220-5341, email: chem.undergrad@ucalgary.ca

2. **Prerequisites:** Chemistry 30 (or Continuing Education - Introduction to Chemistry) and one of Math 30-1 or Pure Mathematics 30 or Mathematics II (offered by Continuing Education). Mathematics 31 is strongly recommended. <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/chemistry.html#6509>

Note: The calendar description and the Faculty of Science policy on prerequisites and antirequisites is described in section 3.5 C. of the online University Calendar (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-5.html>). Students are responsible to ensure that they meet all prerequisite requirements for each course in which they are registered. Students who do not meet these requirements will be deleted from the course.

3. **Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described sections [F.1](#) and [F.2](#) of the online University Calendar. In determining the overall grade in the course the following weights will be used:

Tutorial Assignments (9)	20%
Laboratory experiments (5)	20%
Midterm Examination	20% (7-9 pm, Wed., Oct. 18th, 2017)
Final Examination	40% (To be scheduled by the Registrar)

In order to achieve the prerequisite requirements (i.e., C-), a student must meet ALL of the following requirements:

- (1) attend and submit the worksheets or reports for no less than three of the laboratory experiments, *and*
- (2) attend and submit the worksheets or quizzes for no less than seven of the tutorial activities, *and*
- (3) achieve a minimum 50% in the laboratory component, *and*
- (4) achieve a minimum 50% in the tutorial component, *and*
- (5) achieve a minimum 50% weighted average on the examinations (Midterm and Final).

This means that if a student scores below 50% in either the laboratory, tutorial, or the examinations, then the maximum grade they can obtain in CHEM 209 is a D+.

Each piece of work submitted by the student will be assigned a numerical score. The total score for each course component will be converted into the percentage listed above. The total term work score, as percentage, will be used to calculate the term work letter grade according to the following Grading Scale:

A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	F
92.0%- 100%	86.0%- 91.9%	82.0%- 85.9%	78.0%- 81.9%	74.0%- 77.9%	70.0%- 73.9%	66.0%- 69.9%	62.0%- 65.9%	58.0%- 61.9%	54.0%- 57.9%	50.0%- 53.9%	< 50%

4. **Missed Components of Term Work:** The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in [Section 3.6](#). It is the student's responsibility to familiarize himself/herself with these regulations. See also [Section E.6](#) of the University Calendar.

There are no deferred Midterm examinations. In the event that a student misses the midterm or any course work due to illness then an official medical note will be required. Absences must be reported **within 48 hrs**. If a student misses the midterm for other reasons, then analogous documentation will be required. The course coordinator will need to see the original documentation (not electronic copy) for review / decision and keep it (or a copy) for their records. The documentation must be provided to the course coordinator **within 15 days** of the date of the midterm in order for an excused absence to be considered. If an excused absence is approved, then the percentage weight of a legitimately missed midterm examination *will be pro-rated among the remaining components of the course*.

If a student missed a tutorial or a laboratory experiment for non-legitimate reasons (e.g. vacation, incomplete or insufficient score in pre-lab assignment), and did not perform the experiment, the contribution of that experiment in the final course grade will be zero. If a student misses a tutorial or a laboratory experiment for legitimate reasons (e.g. varsity sports or medical emergencies) they are required to submit an online request for an excused absence (accessed via the course management system, D2L) **within 48 hours** of the missed activity. Supporting documentation must be provided.

- Scheduled out-of-class activities:** There will be a common Midterm Examination for all lecture sections on Wednesday October 18th, 2017 from 7-9 PM. Rooms will be announced closer to the date.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OUT-OF-CLASS-TIME-ACTIVITY. If you have a clash with this out-of-class-time-activity, please inform your course coordinator by October 10th, 2017, so that alternative arrangements may be made for you.

- Examination Policy:** Students must use the Schulich School of Engineering sanctioned calculator for quizzes, tests, and examinations. Students should also read the Calendar, [Section G](#), on Examinations.

- Course Materials:** Textbook: *Chemistry: The Molecular Nature of Matter and Change*, 2nd Canadian Ed.; Silberberg M, Amateis P, Lavieri S, Venkateswaran R, 2016, McGraw-Hill Ryerson.
Course content and order of chapters/topics to be covered are indicated on D2L.

Optional Materials: Students may participate in interactive questioning during lectures (Top Hat). This will be described in detail on the first day of class.

Further Reading: The Undergraduate Reserve Reading Room of the University Library has available a number of reference texts. Many of these are general chemistry texts, but some deal with more specific topics such as problem solving, environmental chemistry, or analytical chemistry. The Bookstore also normally stocks several paperbacks dealing with chemistry problems and methods of solution (e.g. Schaum's Outlines - College Chemistry, Rosenberg and Epstein).

- Tutorials and Tutorial Quizzes:** Tutorials will begin on Monday, **September 18th, 2017**. Please see the course D2L site for tutorial and quiz topics.

- Laboratory Information:** Laboratory orientation begins the week of **September 11th, 2017**, with check-in for those in odd-numbered lab sections. Laboratory orientation begins the week of September 18th, 2017 for those in even-numbered laboratory sections. Consult your Student Centre schedule for exact times and room assignments. The Laboratory manual is available on the course D2L site.

Laboratory Coats can be purchased in the University Bookstore. Please make sure to be properly dressed (see the course website for guidelines) and to bring your lab coat to the laboratory; no student will be permitted to do experimental work without proper attire. We provide safety glasses/goggles and gloves.

Students repeating the course within the last three years can be exempted from the Laboratory Component of the Course if a grade of 75% or higher was obtained in the lab component. Such students must contact the Chemistry Undergraduate Program Administrator, Sarah Boschman, in the Chemistry Main Office, SA 229, before the add/drop date.

You must consult the online Laboratory Manual, print out the portion of the manual for the wet experiment you will be doing, and complete the pre-laboratory assignment prior to attending any of your scheduled lab periods. Students wearing inappropriate laboratory attire or with incomplete pre-laboratory assignments will not be permitted to conduct experiments for safety reasons (see online Laboratory manual for details). The grade for each experiment will be based on your pre-laboratory assignment, pre-lab quiz, your performance in the laboratory, and the required experimental report. If you are unable to attend your regularly scheduled laboratory session, permission from the lab coordinator must be obtained to be granted an excused absence. Instructions and information on required supporting documentation is available on the course website.

10. Laboratory safety course: All undergraduate students taking chemistry laboratories are required to complete an introductory course (approx. 50 minutes) on laboratory safety. This course is presented in an online format. **You must complete the Safety Course before the first 'wet' experiment**, or you will be denied admission to the laboratories. While it will not count directly to the final grade, the material is considered to be part of the course and is therefore appropriate for inclusion into pre-laboratory activities, quizzes and exams. A link to the safety course is provided on the course D2L site.

11. Approved Mandatory and Optional Course Supplemental Fees: The Department of Chemistry has a laboratory glassware breakage fee. At the start of the course, each student is assigned a locker and checks-in to establish that they have a complete set of usable glassware. By signing for check-in, a student agrees that they are now responsible for the glassware until check out. Any equipment that is missing, unusable or has been replaced during the semester will be charged to the student. All students, even those who withdraw early from the course must check out of the laboratory before the last day of lectures. Any student who fails to check out before the last day of lectures for the term will be assessed a charge of \$30.00. If this fee is not paid the payment deadline (Jan 31 for Fall courses, April 30 for Winter courses, July 15 for Spring courses), an additional \$10.00 administrative fee will be charged and university services (registration, transcripts, etc.) may be withheld.

12. Writing across the curriculum statement: For all components of the course, the quality of a student's writing in any written work will be a factor in the evaluation. See also [Section E.2](#) of the University Calendar.

13. Human studies statement: If you consent, your course work may be used for research purposes once the course is over. Your responses will remain anonymous and confidential. Grouped data (no individual responses) may be used in academic presentations and publications. Participation in such research is voluntary and will not influence grades in this course. Students' signed consent forms will be withheld from instructors until after final grades are submitted. More information will be provided at the time student participation is requested. See also [Section E.5](#) of the University Calendar.

14. Reappraisal of Grades: Students should be aware that the grade being reappraised may be raised, lowered or remain the same. See [Section I.3](#) of the University Calendar.

(a) Term work: A student who feels that a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, test, etc.) has been unfairly graded, may have the work re-graded. The student shall discuss the work with the Instructor **within 15 days** of being notified about the mark. If not satisfied, the student shall immediately contact with the Associate Head of Chemistry, Dr. Farideh Jalilehvand (ahugchem@ucalgary.ca), who will arrange for a reassessment of the work if, and only if, the student's argument is valid. *Note:* Students should attempt to present their rationale as effectively and as fully as possible. Mere dissatisfaction with a decision is not sufficient grounds for the appeal of a grade, or other academic decision. See sections [I.1](#) and [I.2](#) of the University Calendar.

(b) Final Exam: A student wishing a reappraisal of the final grade should first attempt to review the final assessment with the department offering the course. If not satisfied, the student shall submit the request to the Enrolment Services. See [Section I.3](#) of the University Calendar.

15. OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:

(a) Misconduct: Academic misconduct (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Student Misconduct to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties. Examples of academic misconduct include but not limited to: submitting or **presenting work as if it were the student's own work when it is not**; submitting or **presenting work** in one course which has also been submitted in another course without the instructor's knowledge; borrowing experimental values from others without the instructor's approval; falsification/ fabrication of experimental values in a lab report; **copying materials from written or electronic resources**; **non-authorized recording of lectures**. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under [Section K](#).

(b) Assembly Points: In case of emergency during class time, be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information on [assembly points](#).

(c) Academic Accommodation Policy: Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should contact Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities_0.pdf. Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfil requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the Associate Head of Chemistry, Dr. Farideh Jalilehvand, by email ahugchem@ucalgary.ca or phone (403) 220-5353. Religious accommodation requests

relating to class, test or exam scheduling or absences must be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the date in question: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-4.html>.

- (d) **Safewalk:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk/>). Call 220-5333 for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- (e) **Freedom of Information and Privacy:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page. For more information see also <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>.
- (f) **Student Union Information:** VP Academic Phone: 403 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 403 220-3913 Email: science1@su.ucalgary.ca, science2@su.ucalgary.ca and science3@su.ucalgary.ca;
Student Ombuds Office: 403 220-6420 Email ombuds@ucalgary.ca <http://ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>
- (g) **Internet and Electronic Device Information:** You can assume that in all classes that you attend, your cell phone should be turned off unless instructed otherwise. Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.
- (h) **U.S.R.I.:** At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses (www.ucalgary.ca/usri). Your responses make a difference - please participate in USRI Surveys.

Department Approval: Approved by Department Head

Date: September 6, 2017

Associate Dean's Approval for
out of regular class-time activity: Approved by Associate Dean

Date: September 7, 2017