COURSE OUTLINE

1. Course: CHEM 515, Advanced Instrumental Analysis - Fall 2020
   Lecture 01: MWF 09:00 - 09:50 - Online

   Instructor  | Email           | Phone         | Office | Hours
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   Dr Hans Osthoff    | hosthoff@ucalgary.ca | 403 220-8689 | SB 205 | via Microsoft Teams by appointment

   Online Delivery Details:
   Some aspects of this course are being offered in real-time via scheduled meeting times. For those aspects you are required to be online at the same time.

   Lecture: Hybrid format (some synchronous components).
   Students are expected to have watched videos posted on the course's D2L web site and review any assigned readings prior to each class.
   The class time (MWF 9-10 am) will be used for activities to reinforce students' learning. Attendance of synchronous components is recommended but not required. Students must use their U of Calgary email account to sign in to the synchronous course components (i.e., Zoom). At the beginning of each class, each student will be assigned to a group to jointly work on problems. To facilitate discussion and dialogue for group work, students are encouraged to have a photograph or image of their face as their "profile picture" and to turn on their webcam or camera (at least when speaking). Note that in-class components will not be recorded.

   Lab: Asynchronous.
   Students are asked to watch videos of laboratory experiments and to keep a virtual lab notebook, populated based on instructions found in the laboratory manual and what can be seen in the videos. The virtual notebook entry will be submitted online (via dropbox on the course's D2L web site) for marking, upon which data files will be released. Students are asked to work up the raw data and to write laboratory reports. More details, including the experiment schedule and due dates of laboratory reports, are given in the laboratory manual posted on D2L.

   Oral examination:
   20-minute oral exams will be individually booked outside of scheduled class time between 11 am - 6 pm during the week of Nov 30 to Dec 4, 2020. Scheduling will take place prior to the Fall Break. For the oral exam, students will be required to turn on their webcam or camera (see https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/technology-requirements-for-students/ ) and to produce their student i.d., if requested. Students are not permitted to stream, broadcast, or record their oral exams.

   Office hours:
   Office hours will be held via Microsoft Teams by appointment (in small groups or individually) and may also be scheduled on D2L. Note that students are requested to turn on their webcam or camera (see https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/technology-requirements-for-students/ ) and may be asked to enable remote control of their screen (e.g., when seeking help with software) for office hours.
   Students may also contact the instructor via email (hosthoff@ucalgary.ca). Email inquiries will be responded to within 48 hours except on weekends, holidays, or during the Fall Break.

   Course Site:
   D2L: CHEM 515 L01-(Fall 2020)-Advanced Instrumental Analysis
   https://d2l.ucalgary.ca/d2l/home/328064

   Note: Students must use their U of C account for all course correspondence.

2. Requisites:
   See section 3.5.C in the Faculty of Science section of the online Calendar.

   Prerequisite(s):
   Chemistry 311/315.

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

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<td>Laboratory (see lab manual for details)</td>
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<td>Assignments (6-8)*</td>
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<td>Synchronous in-class activities (optional)*</td>
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<td>Oral examination</td>
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* Participation in the synchronous in-class activities is optional. The lowest assignment score can be dropped in favor of the participation score in the synchronous activities (if higher).

Each piece of work (reports, assignments, quizzes, midterm exam(s) or final examination) submitted by the student will be assigned a grade. The student's grade for each component listed above will be combined with the indicated weights to produce an overall percentage for the course, which will be used to determine the course letter grade.

The conversion between a percentage grade and letter grade is as follows.

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This course does not have a registrar scheduled final exam.

The students' comprehension of the course material will be evaluated using individualized at home assignments. These will be posted on D2L on Fridays and are due the following Friday. Each assignment is worth an equal percentage.

All work submitted for grading is required to be in "portable document format" (.pdf).

Late penalties: 10% of the grade will be deducted for each 24-hr period term work is submitted after the posted deadline, unless prior approval by the course coordinator was granted. New assignment submissions will not be accepted once marked assignments have been returned to students. Any work submitted later than 2 weeks after the posted deadline will not be considered for marking.

4. Missed Components Of Term Work:

The university has suspended the requirement for students to provide evidence for absences. Please do not attend medical clinics for medical notes or Commissioners for Oaths for statutory declarations.

In the event that a student legitimately fails to submit any online assessment on time (e.g. due to illness etc...), please contact the course coordinator, or the course instructor if this course does not have a coordinator to arrange for a re-adjustment of a submission date. Absences not reported within 48 hours will not be accommodated. If an excused absence is approved, then the percentage weight of the legitimately missed assignment could also be pro-rated among the components of the course.

5. Scheduled Out-of-Class Activities:

There are no scheduled out of class activities for this course.

**Oral examination:**

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6. **Course Materials:**

Required Textbook(s):


The textbook is available for purchase at the University Bookstore [www.calgarybookstore.ca](http://www.calgarybookstore.ca)

There are 3 versions available for purchase:
- the hardback, full version (list price $221.25)
- a paperback, University of Calgary custom print edition (list price $72.70)
- an e-text version, available for rent or purchase at from several online retailers, including VitalSource

While all graded assignment questions will be provided directly to students, students will find similar worked examples in this textbook along with supporting readings, making it a core resource for this course.

**RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOKS:**


**SOFTWARE:**

In this course, students will be using Microsoft 365 aka Office (e.g., Word, Excel, Teams and Onenote) and Zoom, which are provided through the University of Calgary’s site license.

In addition, students will be downloading a trial version of Wavemetrics Igor 6.37 at [https://www.wavemetrics.com/software/igor-pro-637-installer](https://www.wavemetrics.com/software/igor-pro-637-installer), which, unfortunately, is not supported on new, 64-bit Apple computers. The software activation code will be released once students agree to the the licensing conditions by completing a D2L ‘quiz’. The conditions are stated below.

1. The software may be used only by students and only for assigned course work.
2. It may not be used for research.
3. The serial name and activation key may not be shared.
4. The software must be removed once course work has been completed at the end of term.

In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have reliable access to the following technology:

- A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security, and malware updates;
- A current and updated web browser;
- Webcam/Camera (built-in or external);
- Microphone and speaker (built-in or external), or headset with microphone;
- Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
- Stable internet connection.

For more information please refer to the UofC ELearning online website.

7. **Examination Policy:**

**Oral examination:**

For the oral exam, students will be required to turn on their webcam or camera (see [https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/technology-requirements-for-students/](https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/technology-requirements-for-students/)) and to produce their student i.d., if requested. Students are not permitted to stream, broadcast or record their oral exams.

The oral examination is "open-notes" and "open-book", i.e., the use of any of handwritten notes, the laboratory manual, the laboratory notebook prepared by the student, the required course text (including the e-text version), or any other printed reference text is permitted. The use of internet resources and any form of communication with a third party are not permitted.

Students should also read the Calendar, [Section G](#), on Examinations.

8. **Approved Mandatory And Optional Course Supplemental Fees:**

There are no mandatory or optional course supplemental fees for this course.
9. **Writing Across The Curriculum Statement:**

For all components of the course, in any written work, the quality of the student's writing (language, spelling, grammar, presentation etc.) can be a factor in the evaluation of the work. See also Section E.2 of the University Calendar.

10. **Human Studies Statement:**

Students will not participate as subjects or researchers in human studies.

See also Section E.5 of the University Calendar.

11. **Reappraisal Of Grades:**

A student wishing a reappraisal, should first attempt to review the graded work with the Course coordinator/instructor or department offering the course. Students with sufficient academic grounds may request a reappraisal. Non-academic grounds are not relevant for grade reappraisals. 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:** The student should present their rationale as effectively and as fully as possible to the Course coordinator/instructor within ten business days of either being notified about the mark, or of the item's return to the class. If the student is not satisfied with the outcome, the student shall submit the Reappraisal of Graded Term work form to the department in which the course is offered within 2 business days of receiving the decision from the instructor. The Department will arrange for a reappraisal of the work within the next ten business days. The reappraisal will only be considered if the student provides a detailed rationale that outlines where and for what reason an error is suspected. See sections I.1 and I.2 of the University Calendar.

b. **Final Exam:** The student shall submit the request to Enrolment Services. See Section I.3 of the University Calendar.

12. **Other Important Information For Students:**

a. **Mental Health** The University of Calgary recognizes the pivotal role that student mental health plays in physical health, social connectedness and academic success, and aspires to create a caring and supportive campus community where individuals can freely talk about mental health and receive supports when needed. We encourage you to explore the mental health resources available throughout the university community, such as counselling, self-help resources, peer support or skills-building available through the SU Wellness Centre (Room 370, MacEwan Student Centre, Mental Health Services Website) and the Campus Mental Health Strategy website (Mental Health).

b. **SU Wellness Center:** For more information, see www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre or call 403-210-9355.

c. **Sexual Violence:** The Sexual Violence Support Advocate, Carla Bertsch, can provide confidential support and information regarding sexual violence to all members of the university community. Carla can be reached by email (svsa@ucalgary.ca) or phone at 403-220-2208. The complete University of Calgary policy on sexual violence can be viewed at [https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/sexual-violence-policy.pdf](https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/sexual-violence-policy.pdf).

d. **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. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under Section K. Student Misconduct to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties. Examples of academic misconduct may include: 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 permission; collaborating in whole or in part without prior agreement of the instructor; borrowing experimental values from others without the instructor's approval; falsification/ fabrication of experimental values in a report. **These are only examples.**

e. **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 procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities.pdf.

Students needing an accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill 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 the Department of Chemistry, Dr. Yuen-Ying Carpenter by email ahugchem@ucalgary.ca or phone 403-220-6908. 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. See Section E.4 of the University Calendar.
f. **Freedom of Information and Privacy:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). 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 [Legal Services](#) website.

g. **Student Union Information:** VP Academic, Phone: 403-220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca. SU Faculty Rep., Phone: 403-220-3913 Email: sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca. Student Ombudsman, Email: ombuds@ucalgary.ca.

h. **Surveys:** At the University of Calgary, feedback through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey and the Faculty of Science Teaching Feedback form provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses. Your responses make a difference - please participate in these surveys.

i. **Copyright of Course Materials:** All course materials (including those posted on the course D2L site, a course website, or used in any teaching activity such as (but not limited to) examinations, quizzes, assignments, laboratory manuals, lecture slides or lecture materials and other course notes) are protected by law. These materials are for the sole use of students registered in this course and must not be redistributed. Sharing these materials with anyone else would be a breach of the terms and conditions governing student access to D2L, as well as a violation of the copyright in these materials, and may be pursued as a case of student academic or [non-academic misconduct](#), in addition to any other remedies available at law.

**Course Outcomes:**

- Describe how concentrations are converted to analytical signals in common instrumental analysis methods, including GC-FID, GC-MS, HPLC, IC, AAS, ICP-MS, UV-VIS, and Fourier Transform instruments.
- Describe the design and function of components in common instrumental analysis methods, such as light sources and detectors, monochromators, mass analyzers, data acquisition, pumps, temperature and pressure measurements, and injectors, columns and detectors used in chromatography.
- Identify common interferences and artifacts such as isobaric interferences in ICP-MS, causes of non-linear response in spectrophotometers, impacts of co-elution in chromatography, and how these might be avoided or minimized.
- Analyze data using calibration curves, linear regression analysis, and curve fitting, and to be able to calculate confidence intervals, limits of detection and quantification, using software as appropriate.
- Apply fundamental concepts of electronics, including common electronic components, analog filtering using RC circuits, voltage dividers, and the role and basic function of operational amplifier to data acquisition.
- Explain how to optimize signal-to-noise ratios and apply techniques such as signal modulation & lock-in amplification and post-data acquisition digital filtering.
- Analyze inorganic and organic samples using modern analytical instrumentation in laboratory experiments.