



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY COURSE OUTLINE FALL 2016 – WINTER 2017

1. **COURSE: CHEMISTRY 502**, Introduction to Research in Chemistry

Instructor: Individual Supervisor

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2. **PREREQUISITES:** Consent of the Department. (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/chemistry.html#6529>)

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:

Written literature review	10%	(October 17, 2016)
Research Progress Meeting	15%	(January 2017)
Research work	30%	
Final written report	25%	(April 12, 2016)
Final oral presentation	20%	(Completed before April 26, 2017)

There will not be a final examination in this course scheduled by the Registrar, but the final oral presentation will be arranged during the examination period at times convenient for all parties involved. The Final Report is due on the last day of classes, April 12, 2016.

Each piece of work (literature review, midterm presentation, research work, final report and final presentation) submitted by the student will be assigned a percentage score. The student's average percentage score for the various components 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 course percentage and letter grade is given below:

Grading Scale:

A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-
100% - 95%	94% - 85%	84% - 80%	79% - 75%	74% - 70%	69% - 65%
C+	C	C-	D+	D	F
64% - 60%	59% - 55%	54% - 50%	49% - 45%	44% - 40%	< 40%

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

5. **Textbook:** *not applicable*

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

7. **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:**

(a) **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

- (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.
- (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 (FOIPPA). 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: 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca.
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 Email: sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca; [Student Ombudsman](#)
- (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) 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 for Department Head

Date: September 7, 2016

Assistant Dean's Approval for
alternate examination arrangements: Approved by Assistant Dean

Date: September 8, 2016