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FACULTY OF SCIENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY  
COURSE OUTLINE

1. **Course:** CHEM 502A.1, Research In Chemistry -- Fall 2018, Topic: Research In Chemistry I

Instructor Name	Email	Phone	Office	Hours
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**Course Site:**

D2L: CHEM 502A.1 B01-(Fall 2018)-Research In Chemistry

**Department of Chemistry:**

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**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):** Consent of the Department.

**Notes:** It is recommended that students have completed the third year of their program in Chemistry, Applied Chemistry or Chemical Physics. MAY BE REPEATED FOR CREDIT

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 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:

Component(s)	Weighting %	Date
Written literature review	10	October 5, 2018
Research Progress Poster Session	15	January 10, 2019
Research Work	25	
Final Written Report	25	April 12, 2019
Final Exam Presentation	25	April 13-27, 2019

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.

	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D
<b>Minimum % Required</b>	95 %	85 %	80 %	75%	70%	65 %	60 %	55%	50%	45 %	40 %

There will not be a final examination in this course scheduled by the Registrar, but the final oral presentation will count as a final exam and be held during the exam period April 13-27, 2019. The Final Report is due on April 12, 2019, the last day of classes.

Each piece of work (literature review, midterm poster 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.

This course has a non-registrar scheduled final component.

#### 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/themselves with these regulations. See also [Section E.3](#) of the University Calendar.

#### 5. **Scheduled out-of-class activities:**

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

We will have regular sessions (time, place TBA) during the fall semester to talk about course requirements, further research opportunities and scholarships. The first will be held on September 6, 2018, 2 pm in Science B 324. Attendance at this one is highly recommended.

#### 6. **Course Materials:**

#### 7. **Examination Policy:**

The final presentation will count as the final exam for the course and be conducted during the exam period April 13-27, 2019. Scheduling will be by mutual agreement.

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

#### 8. **Approved Mandatory and Optional Course Supplemental Fees:**

**Not applicable.**

#### 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.

1. **Term Work:** The student should present their rationale as effectively and as fully as possible to the Course coordinator/instructor within **15 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 immediately submit the Reappraisal of Graded Term work form to the department in which the course is offered. The department will arrange for a re-assessment of the work if, and only if, the student has sufficient academic grounds. See sections [I.1](#) and [I.2](#) of the University Calendar

2. **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:** The Students Union Wellness Centre provides health and wellness support for students including information and counselling on physical health, mental health and nutrition. For more information, see [www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre](http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre) or call [403-210-9355](tel:403-210-9355).
- c. **Sexual Violence:** The University of Calgary is committed to fostering a safe, productive learning environment. The Sexual Violence Policy (<https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/sexual-violence-policy.pdf>) is a fundamental element in creating and sustaining a safer campus environment for all community members. We understand that sexual violence can undermine students' academic success and we encourage students who have experienced some form of sexual misconduct to talk to someone about their experience, so they can get the support they need. 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](mailto:svsa@ucalgary.ca)) or phone at [403-220-2208](tel:403-220-2208).
- 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. **Assembly Points:** In case of emergency during class time, be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information on [assembly points](#).
- f. **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. Farideh Jalilehvand by email [ahugchem@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ahugchem@ucalgary.ca) or phone [403-220-5353](tel: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. See [Section E.4](#) of the University Calendar.
- g. **Safewalk:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (See the [Campus Safewalk](#) website). Call [403-220-5333](tel:403-220-5333) for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- h. **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.
- i. **Student Union Information:** [VP Academic](#), Phone: [403-220-3911](tel:403-220-3911) Email: [suvpaca@ucalgary.ca](mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca). SU Faculty Rep., Phone: [403-220-3913](tel:403-220-3913) Email: [sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca). Student Ombudsman, Email: [suvpaca@ucalgary.ca](mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca).
- j. **Internet and Electronic Device Information:** Unless instructed otherwise, cell phones should be turned off during class. All communication with other individuals via laptop, tablet, smart phone or other device is prohibited during class unless specifically permitted by the instructor. Students that violate this policy may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated violations may result in a charge of misconduct.
- k. **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.

**14. 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. The Safety Course must be completed before the first laboratory experiment. Students who do not complete the safety lessons will subsequently 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 laboratory pre-labs and exams. Students who have previously completed the Chemistry Safety Course at the University of Calgary in the past five years are NOT required to repeat it.

**Laboratory Safety Courses:** All undergraduate students participating in a CHEM 402 or 502 project are required to complete the following laboratory safety trainings: 1) WHMIS 2015 (online); 2) Spill Response Training (online); 3) Lab Safety Training (in classroom). To register, please go to EHS Course Listings ( <https://www.ucalgary.ca/safety/courses>). Students who only do theoretical calculations, or have previously completed these trainings at the University of Calgary are exempt/ NOT required to repeat it.

**Department Approval:**

Electronically Approved

**Date:** 2018-08-30 09:44

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

Electronically Approved

**Date:** 2018-08-30 12:07