

GENERAL CHEMISTRY
CHEMISTRY 111. SEC. 101

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Office Hours: I do not keep regular office hours, as they are generally inconvenient for a good portion of the students in the class. I would prefer that we either talk in the lab., or you make an appointment to see me, or drop by the office and see if I am free.

Meeting Times:

Lecture: Tues., 6:00pm – 8:50pm, Room 524, Smith Hall

Laboratory/Lecture Thur., 6:00pm – 6:50pm, Room 508, Smith Hall

Laboratory: Thurs., 7:00pm – 8:50pm, Room 505, Smith Hall

Textbooks:

Lecture: General Chemistry, The Essential Concepts, Raymond Chang, 5th Edition

Laboratory: Laboratory Experiments in General Chemistry, TU Staff, Version 8.0, 2007 (hm)

Course Structure:

The course is divided into two parts, lecture and laboratory. The lecture will be worth **75%** of your total grade and the laboratory **25%** of your total grade. To pass the course you must have at least a grade of **'D'** in both lecture and laboratory. A grade of **'F'** in either is an **'F'** for the course. There will be **three (3)** exams during the course of the semester, plus a final exam, which will be comprehensive. The three (3) exams during the semester will each be worth **20%** of your grade. The final exam will also be worth **20%** of your grade! (The final gives you a **5%** bonus on your lecture grade). **Make-up exams will not be given. If you miss an exam, then your final will count 40%, 60% and 80% of your lecture grade depending on how many exams you miss.**

Exam Schedule:

- 1st ExamTuesday, October 7th
- 2nd ExamTuesday, November 4th
- 3rd ExamTuesday, December 2nd
- Final ExamTuesday, December 16th (2.00 hours)

Grading Scale

The following grading scale will be used for your final grade and for determining your lecture grade. A modified form of this grading scale will be used for determining your laboratory grade. Please see laboratory material for details.

<u>Score</u>	<u>Grade</u>
90% and above	A
80% - 90%	B
65% - 80%	C
50% - 65%	D
49% or less	F

The above is meant only as a guide as to how you are performing in the course. To determine your final grade in the course, some subjective evaluation will also be used, particularly in the laboratory as well as your score on exams and in labs. In exceptional circumstances a +/- grade may be given.

Unethical Conduct

Any unethical conduct in either lecture or laboratory will result in immediate dismissal from the class and a grade of 'F' for the course.

Tutor

There is a Chemistry Department tutor whose services are free to any student taking a chemistry course. No appointments are necessary; the tutoring center operates on a walk-in basis.

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Fridays - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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