Instructor
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Note: The best way to get in touch with me is either to catch me immediately after class or to stop by during my office hour. You may also try stopping by outside of my office hour. E-mail is generally not as good a way of reaching me, and messages sent by e-mail may not receive prompt replies.

If you have questions about materials from class or are having problems with the homework, quizzes, or exams, you will be expected to bring both your notes from class and your written homework assignments, so that we can go over them together and determine how to best improve your studying.

Teaching Assistants
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Office Hours (J. Leong): W 2-3, Natural Sciences 1 4th floor interaction space outside 4126

Note: E-mail is the best way to get in touch with the teaching assistants outside of office hours.

Textbook
Required: Janice G. Smith ORGANIC CHEMISTRY, 2th Ed. McGraw Hill.


Molecular Models
Required: Darling (Molecular Visions) Molecular Models (http://www.darlingmodels.com), either the Organic, Organometallic, Inorganic Model Set (Kit #1, $22.00; or Kit 1A $23.00; or Kit 1B, $19.00) or or the Organic Model Set (Kit #3, $13.75). The Organic, Organometallic, Inorganic Model Set Kit #1 is also available in the bookstore. The Prentice Hall "Molecular Model Set for Organic Chemistry" will not work for this class and is more expensive.

Students are encouraged to partially pre-assemble the models and bring them to class and exams in a bag from the bookstore when we cover conformations and stereochemistry (Chapters 4 and 5). A YouTube video by Dr. David Austin is available at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gHHhjkTSYNQ. A higher quality version that can be viewed with RealPlayer (http://www.real.com/) is available at https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/molecularvisions.rm.

Web Site
https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350

Lecture Hours
Lecture: MWF 9-9:50 am, PSLH 100
Discussion Sections and Hours

Attendance of a weekly discussion section is mandatory, although it is not critical that you attend the discussion section for which you are enrolled. Problems worked in the discussion sections will be on the in-class quizzes. Answer keys will not be provided to these problems, so it is critical to pay close attention during the discussion sections.

Discussion sections will begin on the second full week of classes (starting October 6) and are cancelled for first seven days of classes (September 25-October 3). Discussion section will not meet on the following days: Monday, November 3; Tuesday, November 11; Thursday, November 27; and Friday November 28. Please plan to attend other discussion sections on those weeks.

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Reading Assignments

Reading assignments are to be done prior to the class for which they are assigned and are posted on the class Web site at [https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/assignments.html](https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/assignments.html).

Homework Assignments

Actively working through homework problems is essential for success in this class. Homework assignments are to be done prior to the class for which they are assigned and are posted on the class Web site at [https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/assignments.html](https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/assignments.html). Although homework will not be collected, quizzes will include problems taken directly from the homework.

Attendance

Attendance of the lecture and discussion sections is mandatory.

Quizzes

In-class quizzes will count for 25% of the grade in class and will consist of problems taken directly from the homework assignments and discussion section problems. All quizzes are closed book. Molecular models are permitted. There are no makeup quizzes and missed quizzes will count as a zero, regardless of circumstance. The lowest quiz grade will be dropped. Quizzes will be given on the following days.

Quiz 1 (Chapter 1): Monday, October 13.
Quiz 2 (Chapter 2): Monday, October 20.
Quiz 3 (Chapter 3): Monday, October 27.
Quiz 4 (Chapter 5): Monday, November 17.
Quiz 6 (Chapter 7): Monday, December 1.

Seating for quizzes will not be assigned.

Exams
Midterm (30%): Monday, November 3, Chapters 1-4
Final (45%): Wednesday, December 10, 8:00-9:50 am, PSLH 100; Chapters 1-8 (comprehensive).
All exams are closed book. Molecular models are permitted. There are no makeup exams. Unexcused absences will count as a zero. Written documentation for an excused absence must be provided.

Seating for exams will be assigned, and you must know your seat assignment prior to the exam. Please check your seat assignment prior to the midterm and final exams at https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/examseating.html.

Picture ID (UCI Student ID or Drivers License) are required to take exams. IDs will be collected, checked, and returned during the exam. Exams will not be accepted from students without proper identification.


Academic Honesty
Academic honesty is strictly enforced on quizzes, exams, and other aspects of this course. Academic dishonesty will result in a failing grade in the class and a letter in the student's file. For a detailed description of activities constituting academic dishonesty, please see https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40350/academichonesty.html.

Cell Phones
Receipt of calls during class is remarkably disruptive to the instructor and is inconsiderate to all those present. Cell phones must be turned off (neither on tone or on vibrate) during class. If your cell phone goes off during class, please expect to be asked to leave and not to return for the day.

Enrollment (Adding or Dropping the Class)
The instructor does not sign any add or drop cards. For the first two weeks of classes, use WebReg (http://www.reg.uci.edu/registrar/soc/webreg.html) to add, drop, or change your class. No adds drops or changes (grade to P/NP and vice versa) are allowed after the 2nd week (Friday, October 10th). Note Change: No drops are allowed after 2nd week for General and Organic Chemistry courses (Friday, October 10th).

All enrollment questions will be handled at the Chemistry Undergraduate Office in NS2 1101 (NOTE: new location as of 6/18/08) during the posted hours: MWF 9-11:30 a.m. and TuTh 12:30-2:30 p.m. (Note Change: During the first week of classes only, the office is open Monday through Friday 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 12:30-2:30 p.m.) The contact information is: Email: undergrad@chem.ps.uci.edu (include full name & UCI ID#); Phone: (949) 824-2895. You are strongly encouraged to consult the Chemistry Undergraduate Office website at http://www.chem.uci.edu/undergrad. You will find the answers to many of your questions on this site. Please check this website before contacting the Chemistry Undergraduate Office.

Tutoring
The Chemistry Department provides FREE tutoring in Natural Sciences 2 (NS2) Room 2102. Tutoring is available on a "walk-in" basis. Hours for tutoring will be posted at NS2 2102 and at the Chemistry Department Tutoring Website (https://eee.uci.edu/08f/40981).