

CHEM 343: Introductory Organic Chemistry

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(Please include Chem 343 in the subject line).

**3 credits: Lecture 50 min three times per week
Discussion 50 min once per week**

Lecture 1:

MWF 9:55-10:45 AM

Room: Chemistry 1351

Office Hours

Scheduled

MW 1:20-2:10 PM in Chamberlin 2135

MW 3:30-4:20 PM in Psych 130

(or by appointment)

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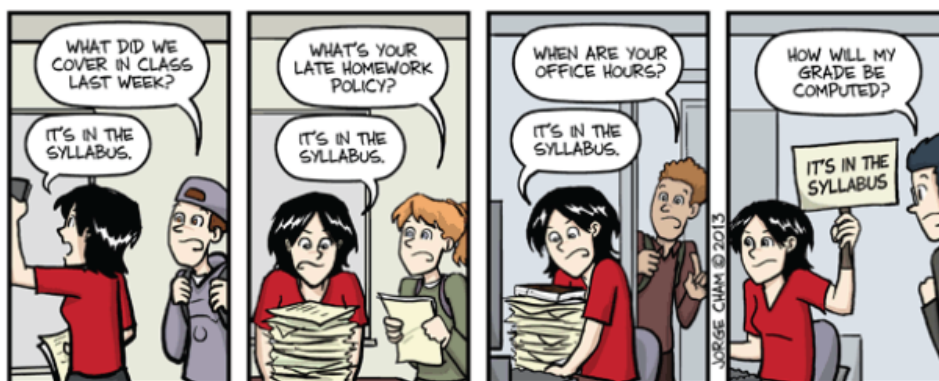
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TA Office Hours

TA office hours on the day following exams will be cancelled as the TA's will be grading then.

TA office hours are held in Chemistry B317 (Organic TA Office)

Aaron McCoy

9:55-10:45 am Tuesday

1:20-2:10 pm Tuesday

Kelsey Miles

4:35-5:25 pm Monday

11:00-12:00 pm Tuesday

Thom Smith

8:50-9:40 am Monday

8:50-9:40 am Tuesday

Matt's Schedule:

Matt Bowman this fall is lecturing for two courses Chem 343 and Chem 341. There are 360 students in 343 and 120 students in 341. Matt will try to keep everything straight, but will not remember necessarily which student is in which lecture. These lectures are back to back and at first contain very similar material, but halfway through the semester diverge. At which point, any vestiges of his sanity will disappear. (His sanity is not being helped much right now as Matt Bowman writes in the third person). Please state in any email correspondence with him whether you are in 341 or 343. The answer to your questions may differ significantly. Please be patient. If he does not respond within 12 hours, try again. There will be separate office hours for 343 and 341. Please come to the correct one.

Textbook: *Organic Chemistry*, 5th Ed., Marc Loudon

Quite a few of my course evaluations in the past stated that they never read or opened the book. I do not recommend this course of action, but I do understand it. I follow a different order than the textbook, but the material from Chapters 1-11 and 14-15 will be covered. The course schedule has page numbers containing relevant information from the text along with key words that you can use in an index of any organic textbook for other explanations. Copies of the textbook are on reserve in the chemistry library for you to read. Instructors of Chem 344 and 345 may expect you to have this textbook for these future courses. Exams and quizzes are based on the material from lectures, power point tutorials, video lectures, discussion sections, and problem sets. The book is there to provide alternative explanations/approaches to help you understand the material covered.

Powerpoint tutorials

There is some subject matter that can be best explained by the book or a simple powerpoint tutorial. These tutorials are available at Learn@UW. Please go through them **by** the indicated date on the course schedule. If you do not have access to powerpoint, there is a computer lab in Chemistry 1375. These computers have powerpoint. The lab is open from 8:30 am to 6:30 PM Monday through Thursday and is open from 8:30 am to 4:30 PM on Friday.

Video lectures

Learn@UW will host a variety of video lectures. These are typically 5-10 minutes long. They are there to highlight important concepts or clarify points in organic chemistry.

Problem sets

There will be a problem set for each lecture day except for the day of an exam or the day preceding an exam. These problem sets will not be graded and are there to help you out. Keys will be available by the next lecture day on Learn@UW.

Practice exams

I will make at least three practice exams available for each exam. The exams will be very similar to the practice exams in terms of directions. Answer keys for these exams will also be available. **DO NOT SIMPLY LOOK AT THE KEY. ATTEMPT THE PRACTICE EXAM FIRST. HAVE ANOTHER STUDENT IN THE CLASS GRADE IT AS YOU GRADE THEIRS. DISCUSS DISCREPANCIES AND ONLY THEN LOOK AT THE KEY.**

Quizzes:

There will be four take-home quizzes worth 10 points each. They will be handed out on September 13, October 11, October 25, and November 15. You can drop one quiz. They will be due in lecture the following Wednesday. The take home quiz is open book, open note, open classmate, but is not open TA/tutor/me. By open classmate I mean it is okay to converse with one another, but it is absolutely ***NOT*** okay to dissect each other or figure out answers by the use of haruspicy. In any event, I suggest you try the quiz on your own first.

Exams:

There are four regular exams plus the final exam. Each regular exam will be worth 100 points. The regular exams will be Monday or Wednesday evening exams held from 7:15 to 8:45 pm in a lecture hall to be announced. Please check your schedules for potential conflicts. The dates are September 25, October 21, November 6, and November 25. Please notify me of any conflicts so alternative arrangements can be made. You may not drop any exam.

The final exam is worth 200 points and cannot be dropped.

It will take place on Thursday, December 19 from 2:45 pm to 4:45 pm. Unfortunately, this date is set by the University and I can only grant makeup exams in a VERY limited manner such as two exams within a 24 hour period. Please do not ask for a makeup exam due to airline tickets going home for the summer. I'm afraid that is not listed as a valid reason.

Exam regrade policy: Mistakes in exam grading will occasionally be made. You will have one week after exams are returned to submit the entire exam for regrading. Keep in mind, since mistakes may or may not be in your favor, the exam grade can actually be lowered. All decisions on the regrades are final.

Regrade submittal procedure: Email Matt Bowman that you are submitting an exam for a regrade. Write on the exam score sheet which problem needs to be regraded and why. Place the exam in Matt Bowman's mailbox in Chemistry 1146.

Academic Misconduct

You are all adults. There is no reason to cheat, but plenty of reasons not to. An **F** in the course is one of many reasons. Cheat sheets, notes, textbooks, someone else's paper, iPods, cell phones, a crystal ball bearing the disembodied spirit of the Great Organic Chemist R. B. Woodward, etc... are prohibited from the exam. Use of these prohibited materials during an exam will result in a zero for the exam score. A zero on an exam due to cheating cannot be dropped. You will only be allowed pencils/pens and model kits for the exams.

A percentage of the exams will be photocopied. Should an answer be changed and submitted for a regrading, academic misconduct has occurred and the perpetrator will receive an F in the course and be reported to the Dean's office.

I have been advised by the staff (some of them legal staff) that I cannot use pepper spray in dealing with wandering eyes. I will try to remember to remind the TAs proctoring the exams of that advice. If the TAs suspect anyone of this condition, they will announce for everyone to keep their eyes on their paper. If the problem persists, the TAs have the discretionary power to move any student suspected during an exam. Exams of adjacent students will be examined, and should there be ample evidence, lower exam scores including zeroes will be given to the perpetrator. Please fight against wandering eyes. Please shield your paper the best you can to remove any temptation from others.

Study tips

Between 1-4 hours after each lecture, start the problem set. ***Do not wait for the answer key to be posted to start the problem set.***

Between 4-8 hours after each lecture, recopy your notes for that lecture. Look for the patterns.

In the course schedule, the relevant page numbers from the text are listed. The exams are going to be based on the material from the lectures, lecture notes, problem sets, and discussions. The text is there to help you understand the material. I strongly suggest that you read the relevant pages either before or after lecture.

Make flash cards. Carry these with you wherever you go. Flip through them throughout each day.

A very good way to study is to study in groups. Multiple problem sets will be available to work on along with several practice exams. I suggest you form groups to study in. You can go about this by using the course email address (chem343-1-f13@lists.wisc.edu) or talking to classmates in discussion, etc... The sooner you set up these groups the better off you will be. If you wish a classroom to meet in, I can see about reserving one for you.

The best way to understand organic chemistry is constant practice. The TA's and I will do our best to provide quite a bit of practice in the form of problem sets and practice exams. Should you desire more practice, there are the problems at the end of each chapter in the book as well as multiple websites. Should you find a discrepancy in what the TA's, book, internet, or myself, please bring it to our attention immediately. It may be a case of a subtlety, an outright error, or an over generalization. Regardless, we'll try to explain the discrepancy.

Discussion Sections

Due to the generous funding by the Madison Initiative for Undergraduates and the College of Letters and Science, we are able to offer discussion sections. All of your grades will be determined by exam and quiz scores. As such, there are not extra points awarded from attendance in the discussion sections or the lecture. With that said, if you miss lecture or your discussion section, it is very likely that you will have poor results come exam time. There is a lot of material to cover, and little time to cover it. Sometimes, what I can briefly cover in the lecture will be better covered in your discussion section. In addition, the TAs in this course have a lot of experience in teaching organic chemistry. They have both taught with me in the past and with other lecturers. They may have a different way of looking at a topic. As a result, if you do not understand something from me, you may understand it from them. All discussion sections are held in the chemistry building.

Section 301	Tuesdays	8:50-9:40	2373	Thom Smith
Section 302	Tuesdays	12:05-12:55	2373	Aaron McCoy
Section 303	Tuesdays	2:25-3:15	2373	Aaron McCoy
Section 304	Mondays	11:00-11:50	B351	Thom Smith
Section 305	Mondays	12:05-12:55	B351	Thom Smith
Section 306	Tuesdays	8:50-9:40	B351	Aaron McCoy
Section 307	Tuesdays	9:55-10:45	B351	Thom Smith
Section 308	Mondays	12:05-12:55	B355	Kelsey Miles
Section 309	Mondays	2:25-3:15	B355	Kelsey Miles
Section 310	Mondays	3:30-4:20	2373	Kelsey Miles
Section 311	Tuesdays	11:00-11:50	B355	Aaron McCoy
Section 312	Tuesdays	12:05-12:55	B351	Kelsey Miles

Discussion sections on exam days and the day immediately after exams are cancelled. Instead, Help Centers will be organized that are focused on specific topics.

Proper use of discussion sections:

Make mistakes. People learn from mistakes. Be vocal. Go to the front of the board and write your answers. If they are correct, congratulations. If they are incorrect, *all the better* as it gives an opportunity to learn something and help out your fellow classmates. There are many correct answers in organic chemistry (and many more incorrect ones). The TA's are there to give insight on the nuances of organic chemistry.

Improper use of discussion sections:

Just sitting there.

Additional Help

In addition to the TA's and my office hours, there are a couple of places where you can find assistance.

The Organic TA Office is in room B317. There is a schedule posted outside the door of various TA's and when they will be available to help you. Feel free to ask any of them for help even if they are not a TA for Chem 343.

Alpha Chi Sigma Chemistry Fraternity has offered tutoring for chemistry classes in the past. Please contact them about their current help sessions.

GUTS offers tutors as well. They can be contacted at:
Student Activity Center
Office #4413
333 E Campus Mall
Madison, WI 53715-1380
Phone: 608-263-5666
E-mail: guts@rso.wisc.edu
<http://guts.studentorg.wisc.edu/>

There are also private tutors available. The General Chemistry Office (Room 1328) has a list of tutors and prices.

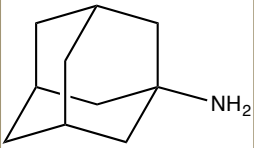
If you do work with a tutor, please let them know that I post notes, problem sets, practice exams, and tutorials on Learn@UW. Anyone can access the Learn@UW Chem 343 site by using the visitor login. They should go to learnuw.wisc.edu and click on visitor login. The login to use is `orgchem.pseudo` and the password is `orgchem.pseudo`. They will be able to access any handouts using that login.

Peer Learning Association-University of Wisconsin-Madison

PLA is a student lead organization that offers additional help organized outside of class discussion. Lead by a facilitator who has already successfully completed chemistry 343 you will meet once a week and discuss the past weeks materials. For more information, email uwplastaff@gmail.com.

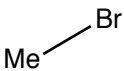
SEPTEMBER 2013

Chem 343

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>Page numbers are from Organic Chemistry 5th edition Marc Loudon</p>						
2	3	4 Periodic Trends and Lewis Structures Pages 1-13	5 Tutorial: Nomenclature I Alkyl halides and alkanes	6 Bonding/Molecular Interactions Pages 23-37 and 333-350	7 Tutorial: Nomenclature II Alkynes, Alkenes, Benzene	8
9 Hybridization Pages 13-20, 37-41, 123-124, 646-649	10 Tutorial: Nomenclature III Functional Groups	11 Resonance Functional Groups Pages 20-22, 709-715	12	13 Resonance Functional Groups	14 Tutorial: Nomenclature IV Cycloalkanes and bicyclics	15
16 Alkanes Conformations Pages 46-86	17	18 Cyclic alkanes Pages 268-297 Quiz Due	19	20 Bronsted-Lowry Acid/Base Chemistry Pages 87-121 and 355-360	21	22 Exam I Review 1-3 pm Spot Checks Union South 4-7 pm
23 Lewis Acid/Base Chemistry Pages 87-121, 355-360	24	25 Review Exam I 7:15-8:45 PM	26	27 Stereoisomers Enantiomers Pages 226-267	28	29
30 Stereoisomers Enantiomers Pages 226-267		<p>NOTES: 1-adamantylamine is an antiviral that was once used to treat influenza but no longer. Side effects include "nervousness, anxiety, agitation, insomnia, difficulty in concentrating" according to Wikipedia. Yep, 1-adamantylamine is definitely a molecule to associate with organic chemistry.</p>				

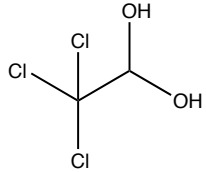
OCTOBER 2013

Chem 343

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2 Substitutions: S _N 1 Pages 377-423 412-420, 440-442, 789-793	3	4 Substitutions: S _N 2 Pages 377-378A, 381- 389, 440-442	5	6
7 Substitutions: S _N 1 vs. S _N 2 Energy Diagrams 492-494	8	9 Eliminations: E2 Pages 378-380 and 400-411	10	11 Eliminations: E1 Pages 412-420 and 436-440	12	13
14 Carbocation Rearrangements Pages 439-441	15	16 S _N 2 vs. E2 Ether Synthesis Pages 482-483 Quiz Due	17	18 Alkynes C-C Bond Forming Reaction Pages 644-649, 662-668	19 Exam II Review 1-3 PM	20 Spot Checks Union South 4-7 pm
21 Review Exam II 7:15 pm-8:45 pm	22	23 Alkynes to Alkenes Pages 122-146, 659-662	24	25 Addition Reactions: HX and H ₂ O to alkenes Pages 147-166, 169-171B	26	27
28 Oxymercuration demercuration Pages 187-190, 484-485B, 654-656	29	30 Hydroboration Pages 190-196, 312- 314, 657-659, 169- 171B Quiz Due	31			
		NOTES: Bromomethane is a gas (boiling point 3°C). It is an excellent SN2 electrophile and a pesticide that was widely used in vineyards. It essentially alkylates DNA and the insect dies. Very toxic to us for the same reason. It also attacks the ozone layer. MeI is a likely substitute. Just as toxic, but the iodine radicals are less likely to break apart ozone than bromine radicals.				

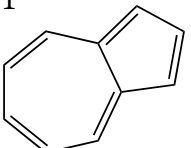
NOVEMBER 2013

Chem 343

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1 HBr to alkenes Pages 200-214, 652-653	2 Exam III Review 1-3 PM	3 Spot Checks Union South 4-7 pm
4 Leaving Groups TsCl, PBr ₃ , SOCl ₂ Pages 443-450	5	6 Review Exam III 7:15 pm-8:45 pm	7	8 Cyclopropane Reactions Pages 424-428	9	10
11 Halogenation of alkenes Pages 181-185, 308-311	12	13 Epoxides and Neighboring Groups Pages 488-492, 495-499, 510-517	14	15 Grignard Organolithiums Pages 361-364, 500-503	16	17
18 Osmium Tetroxide Periodic acid Pages 503-507	19	20 Ozonolysis Pages 503-507 Quiz Due	21	22 Alcohol Oxidation Hydrate formation Pages 452-461, 936- 937	23 Exam IV Review 1-3 PM	24 Spot Checks Union South 4-7 pm
25 Review Exam IV 7:15 pm-8:45 pm	26	27 Radical Halogenation Pages 364-368	28 No Classes	29 No Classes	30	
		<p>NOTES: Chloral hydrate is an example of a stable hydrate due to the presence of three electronegative chlorines destabilizing the aldehyde. It is widely used in 1920 crime novels as knockout drops or "Mickies." On a historical basis though, it the the cheap starting material for the infamous insecticide DDT, which limited the spread of malaria and of the bald eagle.</p>				

DECEMBER 2013

Chem 343

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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2 Conjugated Systems Pages 676-690, 700-709	3	4 Conjugated Systems Pages 676-690, 700-709	5	6 Diels-Alder Pages 690-700	7	8
9 Diels-Alder Pages 690-700	10	11 Aromaticity Pages 716-730	12	13 Review Last Day Email topics to Matt	14	15
16	17	18	19 Final Exam 2:45-4:45 PM	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 	NOTES: Azulene is an aromatic compound with a deep blue color. Even though it contains only carbons and hydrogens, it has a dipole moment of about 1.08 Debye. Dichloromethane's dipole moment is about 1.14 Debye. Where are the partial negative and partial positive charges?				

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Chem 343: Survey

Please answer the following questions so I can adapt Chem 343 to better suit your needs. Please turn this page in to Matt Bowman's mailbox in Chemistry 1146 by September 12.

What is your year? (Freshman, Grad Student, Returning Adult, etc...)

What is your major?

What do you hope to get out of this class? (Besides a good grade)

When is the ideal time for office hours (day and time)?

Do you learn a lot from textbooks?

What other classes are you currently enrolled in?