

Syllabus
Chem 348 - Organic Chemistry II
Spring Semester 2014

This syllabus is a contract for Organic Chemistry II. Please read this document thoroughly as you will be responsible for the information contained within it.

Instructor	Dr. Gregory J Crouch (Fulmer 414) email chem.348@wsu.edu – Because of spam filtering, you must use this email address when contacting the course instructor.
Course Website	http://348.chem.wsu.edu . All class information, notices, and schedule changes are posted on the course website. Please regularly check this site as it is my only method of communicating with you outside of class. I have also created a Chem 348 Facebook page for those of you who use this tool. This page is linked on the course website.
Chem 348 Description	This course builds on the functional group/synthetic approach introduced in Chem 345 with a focus on synthesis and mechanism. In addition to lecture, Chem 348 provides an opportunity to develop your chemical problem solving skills through small group workshops. These workshops have limited enrollment and are run by senior teaching assistants. By participating in these workshops, you will learn useful ways of solving synthesis and mechanism problems that directly relate exams. There will be 12 workshops throughout the semester. <u>In Chem 348, 75% of your grade is based on lecture exams and 25% will be based on attendance and participation in the workshops.</u>
Workshops	There will be 12 workshops throughout the semester where attendance is required. In these workshops you will be provided with problem sets that cover important nomenclature, structures, reactions, and mechanisms that you will be responsible to learn. These problem sets and keys will be posted on the course website the following week. If you come to office hours for help on these problem sets, you must bring your work. In other words, do not bring blank pages and ask me or a TA to solve the problem. This does not help you prepare for exams.
Homework	There will be homework posted on the course website that will be turned in at the beginning of each workshop. Homework is credited to the workshop portion of the course.
Texts/Materials	You will be provided with detailed notes on the course website. These, in addition with freely available internet resources has made a textbook for Chem 348 optional. If you prefer to have a course text, you can use any full year organic chemistry textbook. Authors include: McMurry, Jones, Wade, Bruice, and many others. You can find good copies of older texts for less than \$20.00 with careful shopping.
Instructor Office Hours	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you would like to meet at another time, please contact me at chem.348@wsu.edu and provide several possible meeting times.
TA Office Hours	TA office hours are held in Fulmer 401. In addition to course TAs, we have tutors available in the evenings in Fulmer 401 and Stephenson Down Under Dorm. TA and tutorial schedules are posted on the course website and on the exterior door to Fulmer 401.
Topic Coverage	Extensive notes will be posted on the course website before lecture.

Exams/Grading

Grades are based on a combination of two evening exams and a comprehensive final exam.

<i>Exams schedule and weight</i>		
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Hourly Exam I	Tuesday, February 18 th from 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm in Fulmer 226	20%
Hourly Exam II	Tuesday, April 1 st from 5:30 to 7:15 pm in Fulmer 226	20%
Workshops/homework		25%
Final Exam	Thursday, May 8 th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Location to be determined	35%
		100 %

There are no make-up mid-term exams. If you miss an hourly exam, your final exam will increase to 55 percent. If you are on a WSU sponsored trip, you may take your exam through your academic counselor. You must make arrangements to do this by the second week of class. Since everyone asks, I am providing – **as a guide only** - my letter grade percentage cut off from a prior semester:

A	93-100	C+	76-79.9
A-	90-92.9	C	73-75.9
B+	86-89.9	C-	69-72.9
B	83-85.9	D+	64-68.9
B-	80-82.9	D	58-63.9

A failing grade was given for 57.9% and below

Important things to know about grading and exams

- I reserve the right to make adjustments to this grade breakdown.
- Once exams have been graded, you may pick them up from the 4th floor stockroom located in Fulmer 435b. Look over the exam carefully. If you have a question about the grading of the exam, return it to the stockroom attendant with a re-grade request form attached (you can get these from the stockroom or the course website) – I cannot re-grade an exam once it is removed from the stockroom.

Accommodations

Reasonable accommodations are available for students with a documented disability. If you have a disability and may need accommodations to fully participate in this class, please visit the Disability Resource Center (DRC). All accommodations **MUST** be approved through the DRC (Washington Building, Room 217). Please stop by or call 509-335-3417 to make an appointment with a disability specialist.

Academic Integrity

Academic dishonesty, such as cheating, plagiarism, fabrication, and fraud is prohibited. You will get a grade of F, and this action will be reported to the Office of Student Conduct, if you exhibit academic dishonesty. Consult the Office of Student Conduct (<http://www.conduct.wsu.edu>) for additional information.

- ID cards will be required at every exam.
- Using false data or another student's data on a lab report is considered cheating.