

# School of Arts & Science CHEMISTRY AND GEOSCIENCE DEPARTMENT CHEM 213

Molecular Spectroscopy
Winter /2012

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/chem.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

#### 1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Graham Shorthill		
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## 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Describe and explain the production of the various types of electromagnetic radiation and derive and use the laws of absorption spectroscopy.
- Associate a nuclear, atomic or molecular process with the absorption of radiation of a particular frequency.
- Describe the Boltzmann distribution of energy and explain its importance in spectroscopic experiments.
- 4. Explain the results of the photoelectronic experiments and interpret the spectrum in terms of bonding and non-bonding molecular orbitals.
- 5. Describe and explain the processes of absorption and emission in organic and inorganic compounds and comment on the link between the features of a spectrum and the presence of particular structural features in the compound.
- Describe and explain the behaviour of diatomic molecules in terms of the simple harmonic oscillator model and derive the number of modes of vibration for linear and non-linear polyatomic molecules.
- Comment on the features of an IR spectrum in terms of the presence or absence of a particular functional group and analyze the pure rotational spectra to determine the bond length of the molecules using the rigid rotor model.
- 8. Describe the different ways in which the molecular mass is determined and calculate isotope splitting patterns based on the known isotopic ratios in nature.
- 9. Describe the absorption of radiation by the hydrogen-1, carbon-13, fluorine-19, and phosphorous-31 nuclei and deduce the chemical structures of compounds containing these nuclei using tables of chemical shifts, known reference materials and coupled and decoupled spectra.

## 3. Required Materials

- (a) Texts "Organic Structures from Spectra" by Field, Sternhell and Kalman.
- (b) Other "Chemistry 213 Laboratory Manual and Study Guide" by Shorthill and Khalifa

# 4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

# 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

(a) Assignments: There are weekly assignments with answers posted in the laboratory.

(b) Quizzes There are two quizzes( week 5 and week 10) worth 10% and 25 % respectively

(c) Exams The final comprehensive examination, given in the exam week, is worth 40%

(d) Other (e.g., Attendance, Project, Group Work).

There is a laboratory program of approximately one laboratory experiment per week and the total is worth 25 % of the final grade

# 6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

#### Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## **Temporary Grades**

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 <sup>rd</sup> course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

# 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

## **LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at <a href="mailto:camosun.ca">camosun.ca</a>.

## STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy which includes plagiarism.
It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy.
The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED