Chemistry 124

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Course Details
MoTuWeTh 10am-11:45am

Materials:
Scientific calculator (with log and exponent functions, for pH/pKa study)
Study resources posted at the CHM 124/126 course website:  http://www.chm.uri.edu/chm126/index.html

Course Grades:
The course is graded by the grades you achieve on the quizzes, the 4 in class exams, and the final exam. There is no extra credit available. Any errors in grading must be brought to my attention within 1 week of the material being handed back. No changes in any grades will be made after that point. The scale for the course is given below. Each exam (4 in class and 1 final) is worth 17% of the grade and the in class quizzes are worth 15%. The grade from your final exam will replace the grade for any in class exam that is missed. This means that there is no make-up option for the in class exams. If you take all of the in class exams, the final exam grade will replace the lowest grade from the in class exams.

Course Scale:

A/A- 100-90
B+/B/B- 89-80
C+/C/C- 79-70
D+/D 69-60
F Below 60

Exams and Final: 85% of Grade
All of the exams (the 4 in class exams and 1 final exam) will consist of two parts. The first part will be multiple choice. The second part will consist of problem solving questions similar to practice problems from class and the quizzes. Show all of your work on these questions to get credit. All exams and the final exam are cumulative and may cover any material in the notes, book, or mentioned in class. This is because you need to understand the material from the beginning of the semester to learn the material at the end. Practicing problems is the most effective way to do well on the quizzes and exams. Practice, practice, practice.

Quizzes: 15% of Grade
At the beginning of most classes, there will be a quiz. There will not be quizzes on the first day of class and on the days there are exams. There will be 11 quizzes total. Your lowest quiz grade will be dropped. Quizzes cannot be made up for any reason. The average of the remaining 10 quizzes will be your quiz grade. The quiz material and format will be similar to exam questions in order to help you prepare.

Extra Help:
If you would like additional help regarding CHM 124, there are several ways to accomplish this. I recommend finding classmates to help you study. This is incredibly helpful because the class moves quickly and you don’t want to fall behind. Also, there are teaching assistants would teach during the summer and will conduct office hours in the Pastore help office. Of course, you can always contact me and we can work together to find something that will work for you. Please do not wait to start on the material as summer sessions are always intense and fast.

Disability Accommodations:
Any student with a documented disability is welcome to contact me as early in the semester as possible so that we may arrange reasonable accommodations. I need at least a week’s notice and also documentation from Disabilities Services to make accommodations, so contact them first at 330 Memorial Union, 401-874-2098.

Sports or Other University Sponsored Events:
Please let me know the first week of classes if you need any accommodations made.

Academic Honesty:
Academic dishonesty in any form is considered a serious offense and disciplinary action will be taken immediately. The URI policy on academic honesty is detailed in the student handbook (available online). Some examples are talking with other students during exams, taking an exam for another student, and using notes or cell phones during exams. When there is an allegation of academic dishonesty, the instructor may fail the student for the assignment or recommend that the student fail the course. Please don’t put yourself in this situation.