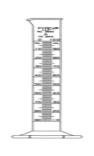


# Welcome to General Chemistry Lab!



Make sure to pay close attention to the policies described in lab today – you will be responsible for understanding & following them.

# If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask!

Detailed information is also available in the course syllabus - make sure that you read and fully understand the syllabus!

# Safety Equipment in the lab Room: Eyewash **Safety Shower** Fire Extinguisher **Fume Hoods**

Know what to do and where to go in an emergency

# Course Policies & Organization

- Syllabus Part A contains the schedule, TA contact information, and information about required materials
- Course & department policies are in Part B of the syllabus at the beginning of the lab manual (& on Brightspace)
- The Check-in Instructions tell you what you need to do today and before coming to lab next week.

# **Required Materials**

- Lab handouts are in the Lab Manual.
  - Purchase from the URI Bookstore.
  - The Bookstore refers to the manual as a "module".
  - Bring your lab manual with you each week.
  - If the bookstore says they are out of manuals, ask to speak to a <u>full-time employee in course resources</u>.
    They have more manuals that are not on the shelves.
- Scientific Calculator
  - Cell phones are not allowed.
  - Calculators that can access the internet and read pdf files are not allowed on concept reviews.
  - You will not be able to share calculators on concept reviews.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
  - Lab Coat & Safety Glasses: Described under department policies and in online safety module.

# **Organization & Work Items**

- A pre-lab assignment is due at the START of each lab session.
  - Located at the end of each experiment in the manual.
  - Worth 20 points each.
  - Late pre-lab assignments are not accepted after lab 1.
- During each lab:
- 1. You will take a concept review (similar to a quiz) at the start of each lab session.
- 2. Carefully check your equipment drawer.
- 3. Your TA will give a pre-lab talk.
- 4. Complete the experiment & have you TA sign your data.
- 5. Make sure to clean up, put all your equipment away, & ask any questions that you have before leaving!
- There will be a lab practical toward the end of the semester.

# **Concept Reviews**

- Concept reviews cover material from the previous week's experiment
  - May include calculations, background information, experimental results, safety information, policies, etc.
  - Complete the calculations in the lab manual to prepare for the concept review.
  - Make sure to carefully review the pre-lab information.
  - You may use your data sheets and results tables.
  - You may NOT use the calculations section.
  - The concept review, data sheets, and results tables are submitted & graded as your informal report.
  - Each Informal Report is worth 100 points.

# **Concept Reviews**

- Do not wait until just before your lab to complete the calculations from the previous experiment!
- The calculations section of the lab manual is not collected or graded.
- You must understand the calculations well enough to perform similar calculations on the concept review.
- Just getting the calculations done without understanding them will not help you to earn a good grade!

# Your grade is based on completion of 10 experiments plus a lab practical.

- If you miss just one experiment:
  - Complete the make-up lab that is held at the end of the semester.
  - The pre-lab assignment & informal report grades for the make-up lab will count in place of the prelab & informal report for the 1 missed experiment.
  - The pre-lab assignment for the missed experiment will not count toward your grade.
  - If you do not complete the make-up lab, the lab practical score will count in place of the informal report for the single missed experiment. You will receive a zero on the pre-lab assignment.

- If you miss two experiments:
  - You MUST complete the make-up lab that is held at the end of the semester to replace the grades for the first missed experiment
  - Your lab practical will count twice in place of the informal report for the second missed experiment.
  - You do need to submit the pre-lab for the <u>second</u> missed experiment for grading. It is your responsibility to contact your TA about how to submit this pre-lab.
  - If you do not complete the make-up lab, you will receive zeroes for one of your missed experiments (unless you have documentation of a legitimate reason for not attending the make-up).

- More than two missed experiments
  - 3 experiments = 30% of the course material.
  - Official documentation is required for ALL missed experiments in order for accommodations to be made for more than two missed experiments.
  - You will receive zeroes for any missed experiments beyond two if you do not have official documentation in support of ALL of your absences.
  - Unless you have significant extenuating circumstances, there is no reason for you to miss more than two experiments, and documentation should not be needed.

- The allowed absences are for <u>students who have</u> <u>unavoidable reasons to miss lab</u>. If you have documentation for 2 of 3 absences, the absence policies will apply to the documented absences and you will receive zeroes for the 3<sup>rd</sup> absence and any additional absences for which you do not have documentation.
- You will want to note that health services' general policy is that they do not provide doctor's notes for absences.
  They will email instructors if a student will need to miss class for an extended period of time for medical reasons.
- This policy is one reason that you are allowed two absences without documentation. Do not waste them because you may need them later in the semester!
- If you miss more than two labs, you must contact Dr. Donnelly (madon@uri.edu) as soon as possible.

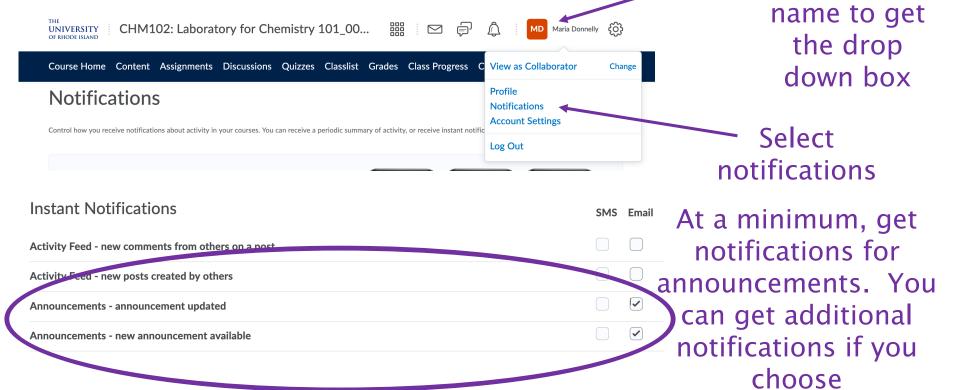
## **Communication**

- Check your URI email account frequently!
- Brightspace will be used to
  - Provide resources & links to useful information
  - 2. Communicate important information to students

 You may need to opt in to receive email notifications from Brightspace
Click on the

box by your

3. Post grades



# **Department Policies**

# **Safety Training**

# IMPORTANT: YOU MUST COMPLETE THE DEPARTMENT'S ONLINE SAFETY MODULE BEFORE ATTENDING YOUR FIRST IN-PERSON EXPERIMENT

- There is a link to this module in Brightspace
- It can also be accessed at the following address: https://www.chm.uri.edu/index.php/safetyonline/
- If you have not completed the module, you will not be able to participate in lab and will receive a zero for the experiment.
- The module consists of a series of short videos with questions that must be answered correctly

The module must be completed EVERY SEMESTER that you take a chemistry lab!

# Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



- Safety glasses, a <u>full length</u> lab coat (to the knees), and shoes that completely enclose your feet are required
  - Safety glasses & lab coat must be put on <u>before</u> you enter the lab and cannot be removed until <u>after you exit</u> the lab
- Nitrile gloves are required for most experiments
  - A pair of nitrile gloves will be provided for each experiment
  - You must remove your gloves to leave the lab room
  - The provided gloves must be disposed of as you are leaving lab
- You will not be allowed to participate in lab without PPE. Health regulations prevent the department from loaning students PPE, so you must remember to bring your safety glasses & lab coat each week

# Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



- Safety glasses and lab coats can be purchased from the Chemistry Department Stockroom
  - Try to purchase them well in advance of lab to avoid long lines
  - You can purchase PPE from outside locations, but they must be approved by Stockroom personnel
    - Bring any PPE that you have purchased elsewhere to the Stockroom
    - Stockroom personnel will verify if the items will provide sufficient protection, and will give you a signed form if the PPE is OK
    - Show the form to your TA when you arrive in lab
- Disposable lab coats and short Pharmacy lab coats do not provide adequate protection and cannot be used
- The Stockroom only accepts RAM account and personal checks
  - Make sure to add funds to your RAM account
  - Stockroom bills not paid before the end of the semester will result in a hold on your ecampus account.

# Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)





- Safety glasses can also be purchased with cash from the Chemistry Graduate Student Goggle Sale
  - There should be signs in the hallways with information about days/times for the goggle sale
  - The safety glasses from the goggle sale are the same as the ones from the Stockroom
  - The Chemistry Graduate Student Goggle Sale is CASH ONLY



## **Important Documents**

- 1. Medical Information form
  - Keep in your lab coat pocket or lab manual so it will always be with you
- 2. Compliance Form
  - Verification that you have learned about and understand department and safety policies
- 3. Department Plagiarism Form
  - On the back of the compliance form
  - There is a copy in the syllabus for your reference







## **Cell Phones**

- Cell phones cannot be used in lab except in an emergency.
  - It is a chemical contamination hazard.
- Cell phones must be turned off and stored in the shelves by the lab entrance.
- If you must take a call due to a personal emergency, you need to remove your gloves and take your phone into the hallway to answer it.
  - You are responsible for any material that you miss while not in the lab room.



# Lab Equipment & Breakage

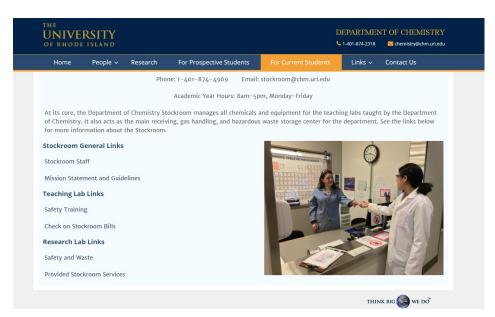
- You are responsible for the equipment in your lab drawer
  - · If you break something you will need to pay for it
- You MUST verify that everything is present & not broken at both the BEGINNING & the END of every lab session.
  - If you find something missing or broken at the start of the lab session, report it to your TA right away.
  - First 60 min of lab if you did not break the item yourself, it will be charged to the last student who was assigned that drawer in a section that meets before your section.
  - If you neglect to put something away in your lab drawer, & it is reported missing a the start of the next lab session, YOU can be charged for the missing item.
- Unpaid lab bills will result in a hold on your ecampus account.

## **Chemistry Department Stockroom**

- Located toward the end of the hallway
  - Just past the exit to White Hall on the Flagg Road Side
  - Looks like a giant take-out window
- Hours are 8:00am 5:00pm
- Only RAM account and personal checks accepted
- Lab bills are posted weekly on the Stockroom website (IF you opt in on your compliance form).
- Lab bills also emailed weekly CHECK URI EMAIL!

Stockroom website on chm.uri.edu contains useful

information.



## **Before Attending Your Next Lab**

- Purchase lab coat and safety glasses do not leave this till the last minute!
- Complete your pre-lab assignment and bring it with you to hand to your TA when you arrive at lab.
- · Purchase a lab manual and bring it with you to lab.
- Make sure to have a blue or black ink pen and a scientific calculator
- Make sure to wear closed toed & heeled shoes and to tie back long hair. Long pants are strongly recommended.

#### COMPLETE THE SAFETY TRAINING MODULE!

• It is recommended that you complete this module before leaving lab today.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask!