# CHEM 1143-201, General Chemistry I Spring 2024 (TR 9:30 – 10:50 am)

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**Office Hours:** 1:00 - 4:00 pm (TW)

**Text(s):** Required: https://openstax.org/details/books/chemistry-2e

(downloadable, free of charge)

**Prerequisites:** Enrollment in Math 1233 (College Algebra) and High

School Chemistry or 1103/1203 (Introduction to Chemistry)

**Grading Procedure:** 

Three Exams	300 (37.5%)
Final ACS Exam	150 (18.8%)
Homework Sets (via Macmillan)	150 (18.7%)
Online Quizzes (via D2L)	100 (12.5%)
Class Attendance	100 (12.5%)

### **Grading Scale:**

 $A: \ge 90\%$ ; B: 80 - 89%; C: 70 - 79%; D: 55 - 69%; F < 55% (of total points)

## **Attendance Policy:**

Attendance is required for the effective studies in this course. Each one-hour exam is 80 minutes and the final ACS test is 110 minutes. The final exam will cover the content of Chapters 1-10. Quizzes and homework will be given online via D2L and Macmillan Achieve, respectively.

### **Calculators:**

Calculators with large memory capacity, mathematical solution software, and chemistry software are **NOT** allowed on exams. *The use of such a calculator on an exam constitutes cheating if the memory is NOT cleared. Single line scientific calculators are acceptable.* 

#### **General Education Statement:**

Students in this course must demonstrate their competency in reading, writing, and fundamental math skills through satisfactory completion of all assignments.

<sup>\*</sup> All students should refer to the MSU Student Handbook for university policies related student responsibilities, rights and activities

## **Academic Dishonesty:**

Cheating on any exam, quiz or lab report will be regarded as academic dishonesty and will be subject to a final course grade of "F".

## Tentative Lecture Schedule (changes may be made based on the teaching pace)

Date(s)	Chapter	Торіс	
Jan. 16 – 18	1	Introduction: Matter and Measurement	
Jan. 23 – 30	2	Atoms, Molecules, and Ions	
Feb. 01 – 08	3	Chemical Reactions and Reaction Stoichiometry	
Feb. 13	TEST 1	Chapters 1 − 3	
Feb. 15 – 22	4	Reactions in Aqueous Solution	
Feb. 27 – 29	10	Gases	
Mar. 05 – 07	5	Thermochemistry	
<i>Mar.</i> 11 – 15	No Class	Spring Break	
Mar. 19 – 26	6	Electronic Structure of Atoms	
<i>Mar.</i> 28 – 29	No Class	Holiday Break	
Apr. 02	TEST 2	<b>Chapters 4 – 6 &amp; 10</b>	
Apr. 04 – 11	7	Periodic Properties of the Elements	
Apr. 16 – 18	8	Basic Concepts of Chemical Bonding	
Apr. 23 – 30	9	Molecular Geometry and Bonding Theories	
May 02	TEST 3	Chapters 7 – 9	
May 07	FINAL	Comprehensive ACS Final, 8:00 – 10:00 am (Bolin-311)	

Martin Luther King's Birthday Observed.	January 15, 2024
Classes begin.	January 16, 2024
Change of Schedule or Late Registration	January 16-19, 2024
Deadline for May graduates to file for graduation	February 12, 2024
Spring break.	March 11-15, 2024
Holiday break	March 28-29, 2024
Last day of drop for "W", 4:00 pm	April 24, 2024
Last day of classes	May 03, 2024
Final examinations.	May 06-09, 2024
Commencement	May 11, 2024

## **When Inclement Weather Occurs:**

If the campus is closed due to inclement weather, teaching of this course will be given online via ZOOM. A guideline on how to access the ZOOM teaching room will be sent to you later on by D2L email accounts.

## **Campus-Carry Rules:**

Senate Bill 11 passed by the 84th Texas Legislature allows licensed handgun holders to carry concealed handguns on campus, effective August 1, 2016. Area excluded from concealed carry are appropriately marked, in accordance with state law. For more information regarding campus carry, please refer to the University's webpage at http://mwsu.edu/campus-carry/rules-policies.