

# CHEM 4120 Biomolecular Chemistry

*Fall semester, 2020*

**INSTRUCTOR:**

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**COURSE SUMMARY:**

This course will introduce the fundamental chemical principles underlying the structure, properties, and functions of biologically important molecules. Using the chemical concepts of bonding, structure, and structure-reactivity relationships developed in organic chemistry, this course will cover topics on the stereochemistry, structural diversity, physicochemical properties, and reactivity of amino acids, peptides, proteins, nucleic acids, carbohydrates, and lipids to understand the molecular basis of their biological functions. Another major topic of this course is the preparation of these important biological molecules for understanding of their functions and exploitation of their biotechnological and medicinal values, using available organic chemistry methods. *Prerequisite:* CHEM3120, Organic Chemistry II.

*Lecture Time:* Monday and Wednesday 9:00-10:20 am

*Venue:* Rm. 1511, mixed-mode teaching.

*Course Website:* <http://canvas.ust.hk/>, use ITSC user name and password.

*Course Materials:* From selective textbooks, research reviews, and research papers.

1. "Organic Chemistry" 8th edition by J. McMurry; Brooks/Cole, Cengage Learning. 7<sup>th</sup> edition, QD251.3 .M364 2008, 4 copies.
2. "Peptide chemistry: a practical textbook" 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Miklos Bodanszky, Springer-Verlag, c1988. Call number: QP552.P4 B629 1988.
3. "Introducing Proteomics" Josip Lovrić, Wiley-Blackwell, 2011. Call number: QP551.L68 2011.
4. "Biochemistry of Lipids, Lipoproteins and Membranes" 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> editions, D.E. Vance and J.E. Vance (Eds.), Elsevier 2002 and 2008. 4<sup>th</sup> Ed: QP 751.B55.2002; 5<sup>th</sup> Ed: QP751.B55.2008eb, online access: <http://catalog.ust.hk/catalog/archives/769210>.

5. "*Carbohydrates: synthesis, mechanisms, and stereoelectronic effects*" by Momčilo Miljković, Springer c2009. Call number: QD321 .M55 2009eb. Online access through SpringerLink: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/gm7201/?MUD=MP>.
6. "*Carbohydrates: the sweet molecules of life*" by Robert V. Stick, Academic Press, c2001. Call number: QD321 .S84 2001.
7. "*Nucleic acids in chemistry and biology*" 3rd ed. / edited by G. Michael Blackburn et al., RSC Pub., c2006. Call number: QD433.N83 2006.
8. "*Principles of nucleic acid structure*" by Stephen Neidle, 1st ed. Elsevier: Academic Press, 2008. Call number: QD433 .N43 2008. Online access through Elsevier: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/book/9780123695079>.

#### **EXAMS AND GRADING SCHEME:**

1. Midterm exam: 50%.
2. Final exam: 50%

#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

This course is dedicated to fundamental principles governing the structure, properties, and functions of biologically important molecules. It is designed to better prepare chemistry majors and other students for careers related to biologically important molecules in industry, government agencies, or academic institutions. Upon the end of the course, students should be able to:

- 1 To understand and recognize the fundamental chemical principles underlying the structure, properties, and functions of biologically important molecules.
- 2 To explain the essential facts, principles, and theories of the behaviours and properties of molecules in biological processes.
- 3 To understand the favourable and unfavourable interactions of living organisms with nature and environment to better appreciate the significance of regulation of food safety and environmental pollution.
- 4 To use the biologically important molecules in elucidation of their biological functions.
- 5 To formulate synthetic strategy for preparation of biological molecules for biotechnological and medicinal purposes.

# Syllabus

	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Subjects</u>
Week 1	Sept. 7 Sept. 9	Introduction and Amino acids Solid-state synthesis of peptides (1)
Week 2	Sept. 14 Sept. 16	Solid-state synthesis of peptides (2) Synthesis of proteins
Week 3	Sept. 21 Sept. 23	Analysis of amino acids and proteins: Mass spectroscopy Peptide fingerprinting of proteins
Week 4	Sept. 28 Sept. 30	Proteomics (1) Proteomics (2)
Week 5	Oct. 5 Oct. 7	Lipids—Fatty acids, wax, and triacylglycerols Lipids—Components and structure of cell membranes (1)
Week 6	Oct. 12 Oct. 14	Lipids—Components and structure of cell membranes (2) Biosynthesis of lipids and drug development
Week 7	Oct. 19 Oct. 21	Carbohydrates—Stereochemistry and hemiacetal forms <b>Mid-term exam, online exam to be set up.</b>
Week 8	Oct. 26 Oct. 28	<i>No class, Chung Yeung Festival</i> Carbohydrates—Reactions of monosaccharides
Week 9	Nov. 2 Nov. 4	Carbohydrates—Di-, oligo- and polysaccharides Carbohydrates—Synthesis of oligosaccharides
Week 10	Nov. 9 Nov. 11	DNA structure, properties, and reactivity (1) DNA structure, properties, and reactivity (2)
Week 11	Nov. 16 Nov. 18	DNA replication and amplification DNA chemical synthesis
Week 12	Nov. 23 Nov. 25	DNA sequencing (1) DNA sequencing (2)
Week 13	Nov. 30 Dec. 2	RNA structure and properties RNA functions
Week 14	Dec. 7-9	<b>Study break</b>
<b>Final exam</b>	Dec.12	12:30-15:30





# **CHEM 4140 Intermediate Organic Chemistry**

**Fall Semester (2 Sept – 5 Dec, 2020)**

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**TEACHING ASSISTANTS:**

TBA

**LECTURE TIME:** Tue, 16:30-17:50  
Thu, 16:30-17:50

**VENUE:** Zoom meetings for the entire semester

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

[Previous Course Code: CHEM 313] Provides further training in the multistep organic synthesis of natural and unnatural products, and will focus on the retrosynthetic analysis, control of stereochemistry, carbonyl group chemistry, and pericyclic reactions with a brief coverage on new synthetic methodologies for efficient synthesis of compound libraries. A prerequisite for students wishing to take CHEM 5110/5120 as part of their undergraduate program. Prerequisite(s): CHEM 3120.

**REFERENCE BOOKS:**

1. "Advanced Organic Chemistry, Part A & Part B; 5th Ed", by Francis A. Carey and Richard J. Sundberg; New York : Springer, 2007.
2. "Organic Chemistry : an intermediate text; 2nd Ed", by Robert V. Hoffman; Hoboken, N.J. : Wiley-Interscience, 2004.
3. "Organic Synthesis; 4th Ed", by Michael B. Smith; Irvine, CA : Academic Press, 2017.
4. "Organic Synthesis : strategy and control", by Paul Wyatt and Stuart Warren; Chichester, England : John Wiley, 2007.
5. "Organic Synthesis : the disconnection approach; 2nd Ed", by Stuart Warren and Paul

Wyatt; Chichester, UK : John Wiley & Sons Ltd., 2008.

6. "Molecules That Changed The World", by K. C. Nicolaou and T. Montagnon; Weinheim: Wiley-VCH, 2008.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

The course will treat selected topics in synthetic organic chemistry from a mechanistic viewpoint and illustrate their usefulness in synthesis of designed organic molecules and natural products. The course aims to provide an introduction to multistep organic synthesis and new development in synthetic methodologies essential for pharmaceutical research and application. It also seeks to encourage students to raise an interest in a career in chemical research and development, either within a university or in industry.

Upon the end of the course, students should be able to:

1. Recognize and explain the essential facts, principles, and theories of organic chemistry including structures, stereochemistry, reaction mechanisms, and main transformations of carbon-derived compounds.
2. Demonstrate awareness and appreciation of synthetic organic chemistry topics relevance to advancement in social and daily life.
3. Formulate and analyze synthetic planning and products of multistep organic transformations by applying principles of retrosynthetic analysis.
4. Communicate effectively both orally and in writing synthesis of some designed organic molecules and natural products by using structural drawing tools and searching literature and databases.

### **EXAMS AND GRADING SCHEME:**

#### **SYLLABUS**

1-Introduction: brief revision on atomic theory, periodic table, impact of molecules such as steroids and taxol on life, and importance of chemical synthesis including total synthesis of natural products.

2-Stereochemistry part I: molecular chirality, stereoisomers, Fischer convention, CIP convention, chiral center and axis, chirality and symmetry, optical activity, physical properties of enantiomers, prochiral relationship, stereochemical drawing techniques, stereochemical analysis, conformations of acyclic alkanes, alkenes, aldehydes and ketones, conformations of cyclohexanes, cyclohexenes and cyclohexanones, A values, 1,3-allylic strain, stereoelectronic effect, and anomeric effect.

3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions: chemoselectivity, regioselectivity, and stereoselectivity, heterogeneous and homogeneous catalytic hydrogenation and polar group directing effects, hydride reduction of acyclic ketones and cyclohexanones, nucleophilic addition



to acyclic carbonyl groups, Cram's rule and Felkin–Ahn model, role of electronegative substituents in Felkin–Ahn model, 1,3-asymmetric induction on reduction of  $\beta$ -hydroxyketones, chelation control in reduction of  $\alpha$ -hydroxyketones,  $\beta$ -ketoesters, and Grignard addition to  $\alpha$ -alkoxyketones, the Houk conformation for reactions of alkenes with electrophiles, catalytic enantioselective hydrogenation of alkenes and carbonyl groups, Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation (AE), and Sharpless asymmetric dihydroxylation (AD).

4- Retrosynthetic Analysis & Synthetic Strategy: bond disconnection approach, valid retrosynthetic steps, advantage of convergent synthesis, normal and umpolung synthons, synthetic equivalents, functional group interconversion (FGI) and functional group addition (FGA), selected strategies for reaction control.

5-Functional Group Interconversion: Mitsunobu reaction, selected mild methods for conversion of alcohols into alkyl halides and sulfonates and reactions with cyanides, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, and phosphorus nucleophiles, selected methods for formation of esters from alcohols using acyl chlorides, acyl imidazolides, mixed anhydrides O-acyl isourea, and thiol esters, selected methods for formation of amides from amines and carboxylic acids, cleavage of ethers and esters using TMSI, selected hydride reagents for reduction of esters and Weinreb's amides to aldehydes, selective reduction of aldehydes and ketones in the presence of esters, reductive amination of aldehydes and ketones, CBS reduction of ketones to chiral alcohols, Swern oxidation, and Dess–Martin periodinane oxidation.

6-Carbonyl Group Chemistry I: preparation of Grignard reagents, preparation of organolithium via lithium–halide exchange, lithium–hydrogen exchange ( $\alpha$ -lithiation, lateral lithiation, and DoM), and lithium–metal exchange, solution structures of organolithium and Grignard reagents, addition of organolithium and Grignard reagents with aldehydes, ketones, carboxylic acid derivatives, and CO<sub>2</sub>, Wittig olefination of unstabilized, semi-stabilized, and stabilized ylides, Horner–Wadsworth–Emmons (HWE) reaction, the Schlosser modification of Wittig reaction, the Horner–Wittig reaction, the Peterson reaction, the Julia reaction and variations, reactions of sulfur ylides.

7-Carbonyl Group Chemistry II: chemo- and regio-selectivity in enol and enolate formation, regio-, stereoselective aldol reactions, the Zimmermann–Traxler (chair-like) transition state, open transition state, anti-selective aldols of lithium enolates of hindered aryl esters, syn-selective aldols of boron enolates of phenylthio esters and ketones, syn-selective aldols of zirconium enolates of amides, thioesters, and cyclic ketones, aldols of silyl enol ethers via open transition state, chiral enolates of Evans oxazolidinones, syn-selective aldol reaction of boron enolates of chiral N-acyl oxazolidinones, anti-selective aldol reaction of boron enolates of chiral N-acyl oxazolidinones under Lewis acid catalysis, proline-catalyzed enantioselective aldol reaction, the Robinson annulation, Michael addition of organo-copper(I) compounds.

8-Pericyclic Reactions: the Diels–Alder cycloaddition, stereospecificity, endo-selectivity, “ortho” and “para” regioselectivity, intramolecular version, effect of aqueous media, organocatalysis, Lewis acid catalysis, chiral auxiliary-derived substrates.

9-Examples of Total Synthesis: total synthesis of amphidinolide T1–T5, Fürstner's total synthesis



strategy via ring-closing metathesis and hydrogenation, Dai's total synthesis via ring closing metathesis and asymmetric dihydroxylation.

10-Diversity-Oriented Synthesis & Multicomponent Reactions: diversity-oriented synthesis (DOS) vs. target-oriented synthesis (TOS), examples of complexity-generating reactions, examples of diversity-generating processes in terms of appendage diversity, stereochemical diversity, and skeletal diversity, types of multicomponent reactions (MCRs), examples of historically significant MCRs, mechanisms of Passerini three-component reaction (P-3CR) and Ugi four-component reaction (U-4CR), examples of U-4CR using 2-aminophenols and post Ugi annulation.

11-Microwave-Assisted Organic Synthesis, Solid-Phase Organic Synthesis & Combinatorial Synthesis: two mechanisms of microwave dielectric heating, difference of microwave vs. conventional thermal heating, major advantages of microwave heating, difference of solid-phase vs. solution organic synthesis, major advantages of solid-phase organic synthesis, types and roles of linkers used in solid-phase organic synthesis, difference in parallel synthesis and mix-split synthesis.

Week 1	Sept. 8	1-Introduction
	Sept. 10	2-Stereochemistry part I: Stereochemical Principles
Week 2	Sept. 15	2-Stereochemistry part I: Stereochemical Principles (continue)
	Sept. 17	2-Stereochemistry part I: Stereochemical Principles (continue)
Week 3	Sept. 22	2-Stereochemistry part I: Stereochemical Principles (continue)
	Sept. 24	3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions
Week 4	Sept. 29	3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions (continue)
	Oct. 1	NO Class: public holidays
Week 5	Oct. 6	3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions (continue)
	Oct. 8	3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions (continue)
Week 6	Oct. 13	3-Stereochemistry part II: Stereochemistry of Reactions (continue)
	Oct. 15	4- Retrosynthetic Analysis & Synthetic Strategy
Week 7	Oct. 20	5-Functional Group Interconversion
	Oct. 22	NO Class: search & read reference materials and writing essay
Week 8	Oct. 27	5-Functional Group Interconversion (continue)
	Oct. 29	Mid-term Examination
Week 9	Nov. 3	5-Functional Group Interconversion (continue)
	Nov. 5	6-Carbonyl Group Chemistry I
Week 10	Nov. 10	6-Carbonyl Group Chemistry I (continue)
	Nov. 12	7-Carbonyl Group Chemistry II
Week 11	Nov. 17	7-Carbonyl Group Chemistry II (continue)
	Nov. 19	7-Carbonyl Group Chemistry II (continue)
Week 12	Nov. 24	8-Pericyclic Reactions; 9-Examples of Total Synthesis
	Nov. 26	9-Examples of Total Synthesis (continue)
Week 13	Dec. 1	10-Diversity-Oriented Synthesis & Multicomponent Reactions
	Dec. 3	11-Microwave-Assisted Organic Synthesis, Solid-Phase Organic Synthesis & Combinatorial Synthesis
Week 14	Dec. 7-11	Study Break
	Dec. 14-18	Final Examination (TBD)



**EXAMS AND GRADING SCHEME:**

1. Assignments/essay (20%)
2. Mid-term Examination (35%)
3. Final Examination (45%)

**SUPPORTING READING MATERIALS AND SOLUTION MANNUAL:**

Call Number QD251.2 .C36 2007eb

TITLE: Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed.

AUTHOR: Francis A. Carey and Richard J. Sundberg

IMPRINT New York : Springer, c2007

Online access to the 4<sup>th</sup> ed. can be found at:

<https://chemistlibrary.files.wordpress.com/2015/07/advanced-organic-chemistry-4ed-2000-part-a-structure-and-mechanisms-carey-sundberg.pdf>

Call Number QD251.2 .H58 2004

TITLE: Organic Chemistry : an intermediate text, 2nd ed.

AUTHOR: Hoffman, Robert V

IMPRINT Hoboken, N.J. : Wiley-Interscience, c2004

# Copies: 1 copy

Call Number QD262 .W284 2008

TITLE: Organic Synthesis : the disconnection approach, 2nd ed.

AUTHOR: Warren, Stuart G

IMPRINT Chichester, UK : John Wiley & Sons Ltd., 2008

# Copies: 1 copy

Call Number QD262 .W89 2007

TITLE: Organic Synthesis : strategy and control

AUTHOR: Paul Wyatt and Stuart Warren

IMPRINT Chichester, England : John Wiley, c2007

# Copies: 1 copy

Call Number QD262 .S65 2017

TITLE: Organic Synthesis, 4th ed.

AUTHOR: Smith, Michael

IMPRINT Amsterdam : Academic Press, c2017

# Copies: 1 copy

Call Number QD262 .S65 2010

TITLE: Organic Synthesis, 3rd ed.

AUTHOR: Smith, Michael

IMPRINT [Irvine, CA ]: Wavefunction, Inc., [2010]

# Copies: 1 copy

Call Number QD262 .N53 2008

TITLE: Molecules That Changed The World

AUTHOR: Nicolaou, K. C

IMPRINT Weinheim : Wiley-VCH, c2008

# Copies: 1 copy

**Items of Course Outlines**

CHEM4210 'Solid State Chemistry'

## 1. Instructor (s) – Name and Contact Details

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## 2. Teaching Assistant (s) - Name and Contact Details

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## 3. Meeting Time and Venue – Lectures, Tutorials/ Laboratory

Lectures:

Date/Time: Mon Wed (10:30-11:50)

## 4. Course Description - Credit Points, Pre-requisite, Exclusion, Brief Information/synopsis

Credit points: 3

Pre-requisite: Inorganic chemistry (CHEM 2210)

Structure and bonding in solids; metals, semiconductors and dielectrics; crystal chemistry of ceramics, silicate minerals and zeolites; electrical, optical and magnetic properties of solids; fullerene chemistry; introduction to x-ray diffraction, electron microscopy, etc.

## 5. Intended Learning Outcomes

*(State what the student is expected to be able to do at the end of the course according to a given standard of performance)*

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

No.	ILOs
1	Obtain key fundamental knowledge about what parameters determine the properties of solids.
2	Able to apply fundamental chemistry principles (periodic table, electronegativity, etc) to understand the structural-property relationship of solids.
3	Able to understand important applications of organic and inorganic solid-state materials and relate the applications with the main principles of solid-state chemistry.
4	Able to present the most important knowledge and principles learned in this course in a clear and simple presentation.

## 6. Assessment Scheme

AssessmentAssessing Course ILOs



*(Percentage + assessment tasks)*  
*Assessment*

*(Respective course ILOs)*  
*Assessing Course ILOs*

50% exam

1, 2, 3

50% by presentation

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7. Student Learning Resources - Lecture Notes, Readings

Lecture Notes will be sent to students on a weekly basis

8. Teaching and Learning Activities -

Scheduled activities: 3 hrs (lecture)

9. Course Schedule

Keyword Syllabus:

- Atoms, periodic table, bonding, difference between organic and inorganic solids
- Atomic orbital vs band structure, bandgap, metal, semiconductor, insulator
- Crystal structure, unit cell, crystal systems
- Structure of metals, different structure types (e.g., AX, AX<sub>2</sub>, AX<sub>3</sub> types, etc.)
- Phase diagrams, thermodynamics of solids
- Nanomaterials, fullerene, nanotubes
- Applications of semiconductors, light-emitting diodes, solar cells
- Organic solids, organic semiconductor, organic solar cell

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# Materials Chemistry

## CHEM4220

Fall Semester 2020

Department of Chemistry, HKUST

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**Schedule:** Zoom  
3:00–4:20 pm; Wed & Fri

<b>Evaluation:</b>	Mid-term Test	40%
	Final Exam	50%
	Quiz	10%



**COURSE MATERIALS** <http://canvas.ust.hk/>

## REFERENCES

- (1) Cowie, J. M. G. *Polymers: Chemistry and Physics of Modern Materials*, 2nd ed.; Blackie: London, 1991.
- (2) Li, X. C.; Moratti, S. C. In *Photonic Polymer Systems*; Wise, D. L., Wnek, G. E., Trantolo, D. J., Cooper, T. M., Gresser, J. D., Eds.; Marcel Dekker: New York, 1998; Chapter 10.
- (3) Mei, J.; Leung, N. L. C.; Kwok, R. T. K.; Lam, J. W. Y.; Tang, B. Z. "Aggregation-Induced Emission: Together We Shine, United We Soar!" *Chem. Rev.* **2015**, *115*, 11718–11940.  
<http://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/acs.chemrev.5b00263>

## LECTURE PLAN (15 weeks)

Chapter 1	Liquid Crystals	3.0 weeks
Chapter 2	Light-Emitting Materials	3.0 weeks
<i>Course Review and Mid-term Test</i>		1.0 week
Chapter 3	Aggregation-Induced Emission	
	Part 1	2.0 weeks
	Part 2	2.5 weeks
	Part 3	2.5 weeks
<i>Course Review and Final Examination</i>		1.0 week

## Intended Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students should be able to:

1. Develop an understanding of the core ideas and concepts of materials science and technology.
2. Recognize the power of chemical synthesis and materials preparation and carry out investigative research work with independent judgment.
3. Apply chemical principles to formulate and analyze analytical and synthetic problems.
4. Conduct analysis and interpretation of experimental data.
5. Communicate problem solutions using correct materials chemistry terminology and good English.





**CHEM 4240 Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry**  
**Course Outline- Fall 2020**

**1. Instructor**

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**2. Teaching Assistant**

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**3. Meeting Time and Venue**

*Lectures:*

**Date/Time:** Monday, 15:00-16:20; Friday, 10:30-11:50

**Venue:** via Zoom

*Tutorials:*

**Date/Time:** To be arranged

**Venue:** To be arranged

**4. Course Description**

Credit Points: 3

Pre-requisite: CHEM 3220

Exclusion: NIL

Brief Information/synopsis:

Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry is a 3-credit elective course for all Year 3 chemistry undergraduate students. The curriculum is designed to cover a range of topics on bonding, structure and reactivity of inorganic complexes, with intended learning outcomes focusing on developing students' intellectual and generic skills.

## 5. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

No.	ILOs
1	Recognize fundamentals of chemistry, bonding, structures, reaction mechanisms, and spectral properties of inorganic compounds.
2	Explain essential facts, principles and theories of inorganic chemistry, e.g. spectral properties of inorganic complexes, mechanisms of inorganic reactions, Wades' rules

## 6. Assessment Scheme

- Examination duration: 3 hrs
- Percentage of coursework, examination, etc.:

<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Assessing Course ILOs</u>
8% by assignments and other assessments	1, 2
8% by PRS and participation	1,2
54% by quizzes	1,2
30% by presentation and written report	1, 2

- The grading is assigned based on students' performance in assessment tasks/activities.

## 7. Student Learning Resources

Recommended Reading:

Text(s):

"Inorganic Chemistry", international edition, by M. Weller *et al.*, OUP (2018)

## 8. Teaching and Learning Activities

Scheduled activities: 3 hrs (lecture)

## 9. Course Schedule

Keyword Syllabus:

- Inorganic reaction mechanisms: Substitution (square planar and octahedral complexes). Redox reactions (outer-sphere and inner-sphere electron transfer). Intramolecular electron transfer.
- Electronic spectra: Russell-Saunders terms. Hund's rules. Spectral terms. Selection rules for electronic transitions. Tanabe-Sugano diagrams. Nephelauxetic effect. Ligand-field spectra. Charge-transfer spectra. Intervalence charge-transfer.
- Metal-metal multiple bonds:  $M_2X_8$  complexes. Electron configurations. Bond order.
- Metal atom clusters: Lower and higher nuclearity carbonyl clusters. Magic numbers. Wade's rules. Capping Rule. Halide clusters.
- Lanthanides chemistry: Electron configurations. Trends of atomic and ionic properties. Oxidation states. Spectral and magnetic properties. Applications.
- Special topics: Metal-ligand multiple bonds: Bonding and structures and chemical reactivity. Photochemistry of inorganic complexes



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## **CHEM 4320 Environmental Analytical Chemistry Course Outline**

**Code:** CHEM 4320

**Title:** Environmental Analytical Chemistry

**Credits:** 3 credits

### **Description:**

Methods for the qualitative and quantitative chemical analysis of air, water and soil and their pollutants from high concentrations to ultratrace levels. Topics covered include local and global concentrations, properties and toxicity of environmental pollutants, fundamentals of sampling issues, sample pretreatment techniques, water analysis of major, minor and trace constituents; determination of inorganic and organic gas pollutants, atmospheric analysis of particulate matter, determination of soil pollutants and environmental control standards.

**Enrollment requirements:** CHEM 2310 or CHEM 2311 or similar  
(CHEM 3320 or similar recommended)

### **Course objectives:**

The course provides the students with knowledge in important aspects of chemical analysis of the environment and different measurements approaches for environmental samples. The course aims to sharpen students' skills and initiative in confronting and solving environmental analytical problems.

### **Intended learning outcomes:**

On successful completion of the course students will be able to:

- Define major environmental analysis approaches;
- Describe different sampling approaches
- Differentiate commonly used pretreatment techniques for environmental samples;
- Reproduce the working principles of major, minor and trace constituents in water and aqueous samples
- Propose suitable sampling and analysis techniques for common gaseous inorganic and organic pollutants;
- Design suitable sampling and analysis techniques for major constituents and trace organic compounds in atmospheric particulate matter.
- Plan calibration and reference measurements for the quantification of a chemical species in environmental matrices.

- Formulate analytical solutions for environmental monitoring and testing hypotheses for environmental problems.

**Teaching and learning activities:**

Lectures, In-class exercises and Course project presentations (students form groups of two and present original research)

**Grading, assessments and their weighting:**

70% Course project  
(40% Write-up and  
30% Presentation)  
30% Homework

**Weekly course topics:**

Week 1. Introduction to Environmental Analytical Chemistry  
Week 2. Water Analysis – Major and Minor Constituents  
Week 3. Water Analysis – Major and Minor Constituents  
Week 4. Water Analysis – Trace Metals  
Week 5. Water Analysis – Trace Organic Contaminants  
Week 6. Water Analysis – Trace Organic Contaminants  
Week 7. Soil Analysis  
Week 8. Fundamentals of Air Pollutants  
Week 9. Determination of Volatile Organic Compounds  
Week 10. Determination of Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons  
Week 11. Continuous Monitoring of Air Pollutants  
Week 12. Guest Lecture and Field Visit  
Week 13. Recap and Student Presentations

**Required and recommended reading:**

Recommended:

Environmental Analytical Chemistry, D. Perez-Bendito and S. Rubio, Elsevier, 1999.

Introduction to Environmental Analysis, Roger N. Reeve, Wiley, 2002.

Environmental Analytical Chemistry, F. W. Fifield and P. J. Haines, Wiley-Blackwell, 2000.

Environmental Chemical Analysis, S. Mitra, B.B. Kebbekus, CRC Press, 1997



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## CHEM4340: Bioanalytical Techniques

Instructor: Hongkai Wu

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Lecture venue: TBA

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Office hour: walk-in or with appointment

Fall, 2020



## **Course Overview**

**Part 1: Optical microscopy**

**Part 2: Biomolecules and their assays**

**Part 3. Microfluidics (biosensors)**

**Part 4: Literature research in bioanalytical techniques**

# Part 1: Optical Microscopy

## A. Course introduction; Signal vs. Noise

1. Basic of microscope
2. Optical microscopic techniques
  - Fluorescence and fluorescence probes
  - Images



## **Part 2: Protein/DNA and their assays**

1. Protein
2. Enzyme
3. Enzyme immobilization and immunoassay
4. From DNA to protein
5. Protein/DNA sequencing
6. Electrophoresis and other separation techniques
7. Other techniques

## **Part 3: Microfluidics**

1. Introduction to microfluidics
2. Applications of microfluidics in analytical chemistry
3. Biosensors

# **Evaluation**

**No homework**

**Oral Presentation (20 min): 50%**

**Time: will be announced in the week of Sept 21.**

**Final exam: 50%**

**Time: To be arranged by university**





## **CHEM 4410 - Physical Chemistry in Biological Applications**

**Fall 2020/21**

### **1. Instructor:**

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### **2. Meeting Time and Venue**

#### Lectures:

**2 Sessions (1.5 hour each) every week**

**Mon, Wed: 12:00-13:20 am Online mode and mixed mode 5562**

#### Office Hours:

	Time	Venue
<b>Instructor</b>	Mon. 15:00 – 17:00	4544

### **3. Course description:**

Credit Points: 3

Pre-requisite: CHEM 3420 Physical Chemistry II

Exclusion: NIL

Brief Information/synopsis:

This course covers the applications of physical chemistry in biological science and emphasizes the capability in using the fundamental knowledge in physical chemistry to solve the latest research problems in the interdisciplinary areas. Topics include molecular interpretations of the laws of thermodynamics, free energy and physical equilibria in membranes, photochemistry and photobiology, enzyme kinetics, binding and conformation transitions, spectroscopy of biomolecular structures and interactions. For CHEM students only. Students with Minor in CHEM or other Major may seek instructor's approval for enrollment in the course.

#### 4. Intended Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Understand how to interpret fundamental concept from physical chemistry in the application of biological science
2. Have the skill set to do literature review to gather information for the development of the industry and the academia in biological science.
3. Be able to apply the knowledge from physical chemistry to solve the problems in the application of biological science.
4. Be able to present and criticize the knowledge from physical chemistry in the application of biological science.

#### 5. Assessment Scheme

Reading Assignments	20%	ILOs 1, 2
Midterm Presentation	30%	ILOs 3, 4
Final Project Report	30%	ILOs 2, 3

#### 6. Student Learning Resources

Recommended Reading:

*"Physical Chemistry: Principles and Applications in Biological Sciences"* Tinoco, Sauer, Wang, Puglisi, Harbison, and Rovnyak, Prentice Hall, 5th Edition

#### 7. Additional Teaching and Learning Activities

After lecture discussions

#### 8. Course Topics and Schedule

Chapter 1: Molecular Interpretations of the Laws of Thermodynamics  
Chapter 2: Free Energy and Physical Equilibria in Membranes  
Chapter 3: Photochemistry and Photobiology  
Chapter 4: Enzyme Kinetics  
Chapter 5: Binding and Conformation Transitions  
Chapter 6: Spectroscopy of Biomolecular Structures and Interactions

## CHEM 4689 Capstone Project

### Course Outline (*Fall 2020-2021*)

#### 1. Course Coordinators:

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 Prof. Emily Tsang ([chetsang@ust.hk](mailto:chetsang@ust.hk)) Rm 4536; Tel: 3469-2100

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Prof. Jason Chan ([kkjchan@ust.hk](mailto:kkjchan@ust.hk)) Rm 4543  
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#### 2. Class Time and Venue:

Date/Time: **Fridays 9:30 – 10:20 (\*refer to timetable)**  
 Venue: **Zoom Online Meeting**

#### 3. Course Description:

Credit Points: 3 Pre-requisite: CHEM 3550 and CHEM3555

#### Brief Information/synopsis:

Under the supervision of a faculty member or teaching staff, students will complete a capstone project which requires the integration of the chemical knowledge learnt from their previous courses. Students will carry out a literature review on a mutually agreed topic. A written report and an oral presentation are required to document their learning experiences.

#### 4. Intended Learning Outcomes

1	Demonstrate awareness of chemical topics relevant to social and daily life
2	Analyze and interpret experimental data, critically assess data in literature and extract useful data from it.
3	Carry out directed research by selecting appropriate topics and procedures, and presenting the results
4	Communicate effectively both orally and in writing with professionals and/or lay audience
5	Demonstrate information technology skills, especially in the areas of information retrieval, literature searching and use of library database.
6	Show self awareness, work independently and collaborate effectively with other people in a team



## 5. Assessment Scheme

### (Face-to-face mode of assessment)

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Course ILOs</u>
10%	Participation	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
20%	Poster Presentation and Library Training	2, 4, 5
40%	Literature Research Presentation	1, 4, 5, 6
30%	Literature Research Report	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

### (Online mode of assessment)

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Course ILOs</u>
10%	Participation	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
20%	Submission of a Scientific Poster and Library Training	2, 4, 5
30%	Literature Research Presentation (recorded)	1, 4, 5, 6
40%	Literature Research Report	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

## 6. Student Learning Resources (Reference books):

- Catherine E. Housecroft and Alan G. Sharpe, *Inorganic Chemistry* 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Harlow: Pearson Prentice Hall ©2008. [QD151.2 .H68 2008] <sup>\*</sup>
- Douglas A. Skoog, F. James Holler, Stanley R. Crouch, *Principles of Instrumental Analysis* 6<sup>th</sup> edition, Thomson Brooks/Cole, ©2007. [QD79.I5 S58 2007]
- Jonathan Clayden, Nick Greeves and Stuart Warren, *Organic Chemistry* 2<sup>nd</sup> edition: Oxford University Press ©2012 [QD251.3 .O64 2012]
- T.D.H. Bugg, *Introduction to Enzyme and Coenzyme Chemistry* 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Wiley ©2012. [QP601.B955 2012eb] <sup>\*</sup>

<sup>\*</sup> Free access online via HKUST Library

<sup>^</sup> other course materials can be downloaded from Canvas website by logging in using your ITSC username and password (<http://canvas.ust.hk>).

**CAPSTONE NINJA: English Language Support App for CHEM capstone projects**  
Co-developed by Center for Language Education and Department of Chemistry

Capstone Ninja can be downloaded from

For iPhone, iPad: (Apple Appstore) <https://apps.apple.com/hk/app/capstone-ninja/id1352231678>

For Android (Google Play Store) [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=hk.edu.polyu.edc.capstoneninja&hl=zh\\_HK](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=hk.edu.polyu.edc.capstoneninja&hl=zh_HK)

## 7. Teaching and Learning Activities

### Scheduled activities:

- Tutorials:
1. Literature Search Training I
  2. SciFinder Workshop
  3. Chemical Structure Drawing Training
  4. Literature Search Training II
  5. Poster design workshop

Consultations: With supervisor (at least 3 times)  
Individual Coaching: With reference librarians (at least once)

Oral presentation: 10 minutes + 5 minutes Q&A  
Poster mini-conference: 3 hours session at the end of semester

## 8. Course Schedule

Week	Date/Time	Activities [ † denotes follow-up work required]	Venue/Instructor
1	11/9 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>CHEM 4689 Course Introduction &amp; Introduction to 'Capstone Ninja'</b> [ † meet your supervisor for topic assignment] [ † upload topic to Canvas after assignment]	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> Profs. J. Chan/E. Tsang
2	18/9 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>Library – 'Literature Search Training I'</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> Mr L. Li/ Mr S. Choi
3	25/9 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>SciFinder Workshop</b>  <b>Library – Lit. Search Individual Coaching Session [Compulsory]</b> (by appointment with reference librarian during Week 3-4)	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> SciFinder vendor  (by appointment on Zoom)
4	2/10 (Fri) Public Holiday	<b>2/10 Public Holiday (the day following the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival)</b>  <b>Library – Lit. Search Individual Coaching Session [Compulsory]</b> (by appointment with reference librarian during Week 3-4)	  (by appointment on Zoom)
5	9/10 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>Chemical Structure Drawing Training</b>  [ † submit Weekly Timetable to Canvas for scheduling Oral Presentation Time]	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> Profs. J. Chan/E. Tsang <sup>o</sup>
6	16/10 (Fri)	<b>Consultation with supervisor #1</b>  [ † submit Research Plan]	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> (by appointment with your supervisor)
7	23/10 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>Library – 'Literature Search Training II'</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> Mr L. Li/ Mr S. Choi
8	30/10 (Fri) 9:30-10:20	<b>Poster Design Workshop</b>  <b>Consultation with supervisor #2</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> Prof. J. Chan <sup>o</sup>  <b>Zoom Meeting</b> (by appointment with your supervisor)
9	6/11 (Fri)	<i>Work on your project</i>	
10	13/11 (Fri)	<b>Consultation with supervisor #3 (or in week 11 if presentation videos will be requested)</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting</b> (by appointment with your supervisor)
11	20/11 (Fri)	<i>Work on your project</i>	
12	27/11 (Fri)	<b>Oral Presentations (First Week)</b>  [ † submit Poster printing file to Canvas]	TBA
13	4/12 (Fri) TBA	<b>Oral Presentations (Second Week)</b>	TBA
	7-9/12 ?? (Choose 1 day) 14:00-17:00	<b>Poster Mini-Conference</b>	Multi-Function Room (Library LG4)

	20/12 (Sun) 23:59	<b><i>Deadline for Literature Research Report</i></b>	<i>[Online on Canvas]</i>
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- Week 3 – 4: Library - Lit. Search Coaching Session [***Compulsory***] (by appointment)
- Week 8 – 11: Library - Referencing Coaching Session [***Optional***] (by appointment)



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**CHEM 4691 Capstone Research I**  
**Course Outline (Fall 2020/21)**

### 1. Course Description

Pre-requisite: CHEM 3550 and CHEM 3555

Exclusion: CHEM 4689

Instructor(s): Research Faculties of Chemistry Department

Reference Librarians:

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Brief Information/synopsis:

This is a project-based course that provides students an opportunity to integrate and apply their chemical knowledge learnt in regular lecture and lab courses. Students will carry out a research project under the supervision of a faculty member/teaching staff. At the end of the course, students are required to submit a written report and deliver an oral presentation to document their learning experiences. Students should seek instructor's approval prior to enrollment in the course.

### 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students are expected to be able to:

1	Demonstrate awareness of chemical topics relevant to social and daily life.
2	Analyze and interpret experimental data, critically assess data in literature and extract useful data from it.
3	Carry out directed research by selecting appropriate topics and procedures, and presenting the results.
4	Communicate effectively both orally and in writing with professionals and/or lay audience.
5	Demonstrate information technology skills, especially in the areas of information retrieval, literature searching and use of library database.
6	Show self-awareness, work independently and collaborate effectively with other people in a team.

### 3. Grading

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Course ILOs</u>
50%	Lab Performance and Participation	1,2,3,4,5,6
30%	Written Research Thesis	1,2,3,4,5
20%	Oral Presentation	4,5,6



#### 4. **Mandatory Library Trainings Schedule:**

The following library training sessions are *mandatory*. Attendances will be taken and counted towards your course participation scores.

Date	Activity	Venue
18/9 (Fri, 9:30 – 10:20)	Library Workshop I - Literature Search Training	Zoom Meeting (Mr. J. Leung/Mr. S. Choi)
25/9 (Fri, 9:30 – 10:20)	SciFinder Workshop	Zoom Meeting (SciFinder vendor)
9/10 (Fri, 9:30 – 10:20)	Chemical Structure Drawing Training	Zoom Meeting (Prof. E. Tsang)
23/10 (Fri, 9:30 – 10:20)	Library Workshop II – Referencing and Citation Training	Zoom Meeting (Mr. L. Li/Mr. S. Choi)