

# HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOUTHWEST COURSE OUTLINE FOR CHEM 2423 – ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I Fall 2012

Class Number 26154

Discipline/Program	Chemistry
Course Level	Second Year (Sophomore)
Course Title	Organic Chemistry I
Course Rubric and Number	CHEM 2423
Semester with Course Reference	Fall, 2012
Number (CRN)	CRN 26154
Course Location/Times	Stafford Scarcella Center, 10141 Cash Road
	Tuesday Room S109 (lab) 2:00 – 5:00 PM
	Thursday Room W121 (lecture) 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Course Semester Credit Hours	4 (3 lecture, 3 lab)
(SCH) (lecture, lab)	
Total Course Contact Hours	96
Course Length (number of	16
weeks)	
Type of Instruction	In-person
Instructor contact information	Dr. Steven E. Dessens
(phone number and email	Office Phone: 713-718-6710
address)	E-mail: steven.dessens@hccs.edu
	Learning Web: <a href="http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens">http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens</a>
Office Location and Hours	Room S107 Stafford Scarcella building, 2:00 – 4:00 PM Friday or by arrangement.
Course Description: ACGM or	Study of the properties and behavior of hydrocarbon compounds and their derivatives.
WECM	Designed for students in science or pre-professional programs.
Course Description: HCC Catalog	Study of compounds of carbon. Topics include alkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alcohols, alkyl
Description	halides, stereochemistry, nucleophilic substitution, reaction mechanisms and synthesis.
	Core Curriculum Course. Study of the properties and behavior of hydrocarbon compounds
	and their derivatives. Designed for students in science or pre-professional programs.
Course Prerequisite(s)	CHEM 1412, Must be placed into college-level reading and be placed into MATH 1314 (or
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Academic Discipline Program	1. To provide the student a basic and practical understanding of chemistry (formulas,
Learning Outcomes	reactions, and calculations) and recognize its relevance in our daily lives.  2. To prepare our students to meet with success in higher level chemistry and other
	science courses when they transfer to four-year universities.
	To prepare our students for professional programs requiring a mastery of General
	Chemistry and Organic Chemistry, such as Nursing, Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy.
	4. To enhance class lectures with a meaningful, hands-on laboratory experience involving
	making measurements, observing reactions, evaluating the results, and drawing
	conclusions with the involvement of lab group or other class members.
Course Student Learning	1. Compare and contrast the structures, properties, and reactions of aliphatic
Outcomes (SLO)	hydrocarbons, alkyl halides, alcohols, and ethers.
	2. Formulate reaction mechanisms for the synthesis and transformation of the above
	functional groups.
	3. Perform and justify the separation techniques used in purifying organic compounds.
	4. Interpret experimental data obtained from classical and spectroscopic methods used in
	characterizing organic compounds.
Learning Objectives	1.1. Explain the stereochemistry and chirality of organic compounds using specific
(Numbering system linked to	rotation, optical activity, enantiomers, and diastereomers.
SLO)	1.2. Identify the nomenclature rules for alkyl halides using IUPAC rules (method) to
	determine how to prepare alkyl halides.

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		etermine Infigurati	the structure of atoms, orbitals, hybridization, and electron
		_	e polarity of compounds such as acids, bases, and salts and draw Lewis dot
			structures.
		-	nctional groups and compare the conformations and stereochemistry of d cycloalkane derivative.
		Karies ari	a cyclodikane derivative.
			identify the organic reaction mechanisms using electron flow (curved
		-	d determine the energy of organic reactions.  mechanisms of electrophilic reactions by orientation of Markovnikov's
		-	ahn-Ingold-Prelog priority sequence rule for E and Z designation.
			ynthesis) and complete reactions of alkenes and cycloalkenes such as
			elimination, and oxidative cleavage.  Ynthesis) and complete reactions of alkynes such as addition, elimination,
			ive cleavage.
			the reaction mechanism types for alky halides such as E1, E2, $S_N1$ , and $S_N2$
	us	sing the s	tability of carbocation and basicity of nucleophiles.
			nic solids by recrystallization and verify purity by melting point, IR
			ppy, and thin layer chromatography. mixture of liquids by simple and fractional distillation and compare the
		-	ess of the two methods.
			ngle and double extractions of a solid dissolved in ageous solution,
		ilculate K ethod.	d for the organic solvent used, and compare the effectiveness of each
			uid product by distillation and verify purity by boliing point and IR
	sp	pectrosco	ppy.
	4.1. At	t campus	es with GC-MS instrumentation, identify the structure of organic
			s using mass spectral fragmentation patterns based on molecular weight
			e of unsaturation. In absence of instrumentation, analyze mass spectral textbook and other sources.
SCANS and/or Core Curriculum			g, Speaking/Listening, Critical Thinking, Computer/Information Literacy
Competencies			
Course Calendar			Weekly Schedule
	Aug	28	Begin Chapter 1 – Structure and Bonding
	Aug Aug	30	Chapter 1
	Sept	4	Begin Chapter 2 – Polar Covalent Bonds; Acids and Bases
	Sept	6	EXPERIMENT 3 – Structures of Hydrocarbons – Experiment with Models (in-class exercise)
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	Sept	11	EXPERIMENT 1 – Melting Point Determination
	Sept	13	Conclude Chapter 2, Begin Chapter 3 – Organic Compounds: Alkanes and
			Cycloalkanes
	Sept	18	EXPERIMENT 4 – Purification – Recrystallization of Benzoic Acid
		0.5	EXPERIMENT 5 – Preparation and Purification of Acetanilide
	Sept	20	Conclude Chapter 3, begin Chapter 4 – Organic Compounds: Cycloalkanes and their Stereochemistry
			Cycloaixaries and their stereochemistry

Sept	25	Conclude Chapter 4
Sept	27	Chapter 5 – Stereochemistry at Tetrahedral Centers
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Oct	2	EXPERIMENT 6 – Extraction – Determination of a Distribution Coefficient
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Oct	4	EXAM 1 – Chapters 1–4
Oct	9	EXPERIMENT 7 – Distillation – Separation of a Mixture
Oct	11	Chapter 6 – An Overview of Organic Reactions
Oct	16	EXPERIMENT 8 – Properties and Identification of Hydrocarbons
Oct	18	Begin Chapter 7 – Alkenes: Structure and Reactivity
Oct	23	EXPERIMENT 9 – Preparation of Cyclohexene From Cyclohexanol
Oct	25	Conclude Chapter 7
Oct	30	Chapter 8 – Alkenes: Reactions and Synthesis
Nov	1	Conclude Chapter 8, begin Chapter 9 – Alkynes: An Introduction to Organic
		Synthesis
Nov	2	Last Day for Withdrawals (for grade of W)
Nov	6	Conclude Chapter 9
Nov	8	EXAM 2 – Chapters 5–8
Nov	13	Begin Chapter 10 – Organohalides
Nov	15	Chapter 10
Nov	20	Begin Chapter 11 – Reactions of Alkyl Halides: Nucleophilic Substitutions
		and Eliminations
Nov	22	Thanksgiving Holiday – No Class
Nov	27	Conclude Chapter 11
Nov	29	Chapter 12 – Structure Determination: Mass Spectrometry (MS) and
1404	23	Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy
		EXPERIMENT 10 – Mass Spectrometry – Structural Determination of
		Compounds (in-class exercise)
Dec	4	Conclude Chapter 12, Review for Final
Dec	6	EXAM 3 – Chapters 9 –11
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Dec	11	(Finals week no class)
Dec	13	FINAL EXAM - Chapters 1-12. Thursday, 2:00 - 4:00 PM



Instructional Methods	Standard class lectures using the whiteboard with occasional use of PowerPoints.
Student Assignments	Outside of laboratory reports, special assignments are not given. I will recommend practice problems but these are not graded. Practice problems, such as those at the end of the chapters, are highly beneficial to learning chemistry. The McMurry organic textbook has "in text" problems within the chapters with answers provided at the end of the textbook. Answers to the end of chapter problems are in the study guide. Practice problems can also be found on my Learning Web site. It is helpful to have a spiral leaf notebook just for working chemistry problems. That will keep your work more organized and you (or I) can more easily review your work.
Student Assessment(s)	The overall score is based on the following:  • Three regular exams 55%  • Laboratory 20%  • Final Exam 25%  Overall Score = 0.55(Average of three regular exams) + 0.20(Laboratory grade) + 0.25(Final Exam)
Instructor's Requirements	Laboratory Policy Lab safety will be reviewed before the first lab. Each student will then sign a statement affirming his or her commitment to following safe procedures in the laboratory, and turn the form in to the instructor. Be especially aware of the need for adequate eye protection and proper dress in the laboratory.  • Safety glasses or goggles must be worn at all times during the laboratory period.  • No food or drinks are allowed in the lab.  • Open-toed shoes and/or shorts should not be worn in the lab.  • Admission to the lab may be denied for violation of any of these rules.  Normally, experiments will be performed in groups of two to three students. You should arrive at the lab on time with your lab handout. After you have finished the experiment, show me your results for me to examine briefly, and I will initial ("S.D.") your lab report before you leave. Laboratory reports are due on the next lab day.  Each report must be done individually; "group reports" and lab reports from different individuals with identical wording are not acceptable! See the accompanying handout which outlines the format of the lab report. Each report will be graded on a 20 point basis. You should come to lab prepared. Read through the experiment and answer the pre-lab questions beforehand. Keep a bound laboratory notebook (clothbound is standard; spiral is acceptable). This is for you to record your "on the spot" observations, changes to procedure, etc., and general data. The actual report is done separately. Makeup policy for missed labs: None!  Exams and Make-up Policy  Examinations will consist of three non-cumulative regular exams plus a comprehensive final. Make-up exams will not normally be given, so make every effort to take the exams on their scheduled dates. In the event that you must miss a regular exam, I will count the grade made on the final exam as the grade for the missed exam (for one missed exam only), and calculate the final course grade accordingly. If you do not miss any of the regular exams, I will repl

At the program level, the Chemistry Discipline strives to accomplish the Program Learning Outcomes, Student Learning Outcomes, and Learning Objectives as described above. We desire that you receive a challenging and rewarding experience in your chemistry classes at HCC which will prepare you well for future chemistry and related science courses that
you may take in the future.  A = 100 - 90;
See the above descriptions of the lab, exams, and final. The course grade is based on
these four criteria according to the Assessment section above.  Textbook
Organic Chemistry, Eighth Edition, Volume I, by John McMurry.  Custom HCC Softcover Version, Chapters 1-12  Cengage Learning, 2012  ISBN-13: 978-1-133-06741-2
<u>Laboratory Manual</u>
Provided as handouts at <a href="http://swc2.hccs.edu/pahlavan">http://swc2.hccs.edu/pahlavan</a> .  Optional Study Guide and Solutions Manual
Organic Chemistry Volume I Study Guide With Solutions Manual Eighth Edition, by John McMurry. Custom HCC Softcover Version, Chapters 1-12 Cengage Learning, 2012 ISBN-13: 978-1-133-06727-6
Access Student Services Policies on their Web site: http://hccs.edu/student-rights
Disability Support Services (DSS)  "Any student with a documented disability (e.g. physical, learning, psychiatric, vision, hearing, etc.) who needs to arrange reasonable accommodations must contact the Disability Services Office at the respective college at the beginning of each semester. Faculty are authorized to provide only the accommodations requested by the Disability Support Services Office."  If you have any special needs or disabilities which may affect your ability to succeed in college classes or participate in any college programs or activities, please contact the DSS office for assistance. At Southwest College, contact Dr. Becky Hauri, 713-718-7909. Contact numbers for the other HCC colleges are found in the Annual Schedule of Classes, and more information is posted at the HCC web site at Disability Services.

#### **Academic Honesty**

"Students are responsible for conducting themselves with honor and integrity in fulfilling course requirements. Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated by the college system against a student accused of scholastic dishonesty. Penalties can include a grade of "0" or "F" on the particular assignment, failure in the course, academic probation, or even dismissal from the college. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion." In **this class**, the penalty for willful cheating on exams is a **grade of F in the course**. This is the standard policy of the Physical Sciences department at Southwest College.

#### **Attendance Policy**

The HCCS attendance policy is stated as follows: "Students are expected to attend classes regularly. Students are responsible for materials covered during their absences, and it is the student's responsibility to consult with instructors for make-up assignments. Class attendance is checked daily by instructors. Although it is the responsibility of the student to drop a course for non-attendance, the instructor has full authority to drop a student for excessive absences. A student may be dropped from a course for excessive absences after the student has accumulated absences in excess of 12.5% of the hours of instruction (including lecture and laboratory time)."

If circumstances significantly prevent you from attending classes, please inform me. I realize that sometimes outside circumstances can interfere with school, and I will try to be as accommodating as possible, but please be aware of the attendance policy.

## Policy Regarding Multiple Repeats of a Course

"NOTICE: Students who repeat a course three or more times may soon face significant tuition/fee increases at HCC and other Texas public colleges and universities. If you are considering course withdrawal because you are not earning passing grades, confer with your instructor/counselor as early as possible about your study habits, reading and writing homework, test-taking skills, attendance, course participation, and opportunities for tutoring or other assistance that might be available."

#### **Last Day for Administrative and Student Withdrawals**

For 16-week Fall 2012 classes, this date is <u>November 2</u>. I urge any student who is contemplating withdrawing from the class to see me first! You may be doing better than you think. Either way, I want to be accessible and supportive. I do not believe in "weed out" classes, and I consider you to be much more than just a name or number! Note my office hours above; if you need assistance, I'm here to help.

# Policy Regarding Withdrawals

Students desiring to withdraw from a class must do so by the above withdrawal date by filling out a **withdrawal form** at the registrar's office. *After this date, instructors can no longer enter a grade of "W" for the course for any reason.* 

# Distance Education and/or Continuing Education Policies

Access DE Policies on their Web site:

http://de.hccs.edu/portal/site/de/menuitem.2b6e81332bdb11b9759b8e10507401ca/?vgnextoid=6fb5596a7e1ff110VgnVCM2000001b4710acRCRD&appInstanceName=default

Access CE Policies on their Web site:

http://www.hccs.edu/hccs/at-a-glance/administrative-procedures-and-guidelines/e-1-educational-programs/e-1-5-12-continuing-education-programs

Test Bank	Extra practice problems by chapter, sample exams, and sample finals may be found at the following web sites: <a href="http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens">http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens</a> <a href="http://swc2.hccs.edu/pahlavan">http://swc2.hccs.edu/pahlavan</a> <a href="http://swc2.hccs.edu/pahlavan">McMurry Companion Website</a> (6 <sup>th</sup> Edition)
Scoring Rubrics	Regular exams and the final will consist of multiple-choice and show-work questions.  These are graded in the standard manner. The regular exams will include extra questions for extra credit, for a total possible score of about 105 to 110 points.  The lab reports are graded on the basis of completeness, neatness, and the correctness of the calculations tied to the experimental result. The pre- and post-lab questions are also checked. Each report is graded on a 20 point basis.
Sample Assignments	N/A
Sample Instructional Methods/Activities	See the PowerPoints at my Learning Web site for an overview of the content of each chapter: <a href="http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens">http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens</a>

# Important Dates

August 26	Sunday	Last Day for Drop/Add/Swap
August 27	Monday	Classes Begin
November 2	Friday	Last Day for Administrative/ Student Withdrawals with a grade of "W"
		After the withdrawal date no W can be given,
		you must receive a regular grade (A-F) in the course.
December 9	Sunday	Instruction Ends
December 13	Thursday	Final Exam (No deviation from the printed schedule is permitted.)
December 21	Friday	Grades Available to Students

# **Other Information**

Free chemistry tutoring is available. A tutoring schedule will be posted in the classroom and lab and will also be placed on my web site at http://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/steven.dessens/chemistry\_resources/tutoring-schedules.

WAskOnline In addition to "face to face" tutoring, HCC also offers online tutoring from AskOnline. It is also free and is available for chemistry and many other subjects. The login page is at http://www.hccs.askonline.net.

There are also many interesting chemistry resources on the Internet which can be found by using keyword searches. But your best immediate source of information is your *textbook* - make thorough use of it!

The publisher of the McMurry  $6^{th}$  Edition textbook has a useful online companion site with chapter practice quizzes <u>here</u>. The  $7^{th}$  Edition companion site is <u>here</u> but now requires a paid account in order to access it.

If you purchase a new textbook from an HCC bookstore, it will contain an OWL (Online Web Learning) passcode from Cengage, the publisher of your textbook.

OWL home page: http://www.cengage.com/owl/index.html

OWL login page: <a href="https://owl.cengage.com/owl-c/user/loginpage.cgi?Server=owl-houstonccsouthwestmcmurry8e&UserType=Student">https://owl.cengage.com/owl-c/user/loginpage.cgi?Server=owl-houstonccsouthwestmcmurry8e&UserType=Student</a>.

#### **Evaluation for Greater Learning Student Survey System (EGLS3)**

"At Houston Community College, professors believe that thoughtful student feedback is necessary to improve teaching and learning. During a designated time, you will be asked to answer a short online survey of research-based questions related to instruction. The anonymous results of the survey will be made available to your professors and division chairs for continual improvement of instruction. Look for the survey as part of the Houston Community College Student System online near the end of the term." <a href="http://www.hccs.edu/EGLS3">http://www.hccs.edu/EGLS3</a>

#### **New Meningitis Vaccination Requirement**

Texas Senate Bill 1107 passed in May 2011, requires that new HCC students and former HCC students returning after an absence of at least one fall or spring semester who are under the age of 30 are required to present a physician-signed certificate showing they have been vaccinated against bacterial meningitis. The immunization must be administered at least 10 calendar days before the start date of your classes and must have been received within the last five years.

http://www.hccs.edu/hccs/faculty-staff/ps-student-admin/whats-new-in-the-peoplesoft-student-system/meningitis-vaccination-requirement

# **Additional Comments...**

Mastering organic chemistry takes time! In my experience, the number one hindrance to doing well is lack of adequate and quality time to study outside of the classroom. Of course, you must also have a reasonable grasp of the principles you learned in General Chemistry. Remember the old adage, "For every hour of classroom time you should allow for two hours of study time at home," for it is true. A heavy class and/or work load does not leave much quality study time! By "quality" time I mean periods in which you can study undisturbed, when you are still wide-awake and alert. Pace yourself - overloading yourself trying to meet an application deadline is a recipe for disaster! Always feel free to ask me anything about the material, no matter how trivial the question may seem. Trying (!) to answer those "simple" questions often leads to a much greater understanding (or to at least a greater appreciation!) of the subject.

Take care of the little things, and the big things will take care of themselves. -- C. Sense If you can't simplify it, you don't know what the !\$#\* you're talking about!! -- A. Einstein (so I was told)

Organic chemistry is a vast field. Practically all of the substances we take for granted around us (and in us!), are composed of compounds of carbon. We begin our exploration and understanding of this very large subject in this class. I look forward to working with you this semester!

Steve DessensAugust, 2012

# **Format of Laboratory Report**

Your laboratory report should be divided into the following sections:

#### I. Introduction

A brief statement of the purpose of the experiment. This is also a good place to show relevant structures and chemical equations.

#### II. Experimental Procedure

A brief outline of the experimental procedure. Be particular about reporting the amounts of materials used and any modifications made to the original procedure (avoid simply copying the original procedure).

### III. Results and Discussion

This section is the most important. Include observations such as appearance of the reaction, color of product, etc. If the experiment was a preparative one, you should also report your percent yield:

$$\frac{\text{actual yield (in grams)}}{\text{theoretical yield (in grams)}} \times 100\% = \text{percent yield}$$

Show all of your calculations! Graphs should be done on graph paper.

**Note**: Our lab manual contains a "Data Report Sheet" for each experiment. You may record your results here and include this sheet at this stage of your report. The discussion part comes from you! Were your results what you expected? If, not, can you suggest reasons why not? If you took a melting point of a compound you synthesized, what is the true, or "literature" melting point? How well does your melting point compare? What does your melting point indicate about the purity of your compound? Assume that your reader is not entirely familiar with the experiment, so you need to explain clearly.

#### IV. Conclusions

Your overall evaluation of your results. This is a good place to mention any modifications to the procedure which you feel might improve the outcome of the experiment.

#### V. Answers to Exercises

These questions appear at the end of each experiment in the laboratory manual or handout. Usually you will be given selected "prelaboratory" questions and "regular" questions from the lab manual to answer.

You should write your report **in ink**, or type it, using **one side** of the paper only. If you write your report by hand (which is perfectly OK as long as it is neat and legible), use <u>lined paper</u> (<u>not</u> torn out of a spiral notebook!). **Always** use **complete sentences**. Try your best to avoid spelling and grammatical errors. Write your report in **impersonal form**. The words "I" or "we" should **not** appear in your report. The following examples show some incorrect phrases and how they can be revised to avoid the personal form:

⊗ INCORRECT: I added 10 g of NaCl to ...

© CORRECT: Ten grams of NaCl were added to ...

⊗ INCORRECT: You told me that ...

© CORRECT: The instructor indicated that ...

INCORRECT: We determined that ...CORRECT: It was determined that ...

This style of writing may seem awkward sometimes, but this is the proper form for writing reports. You will find it used extensively in articles and research papers in the scientific literature.