

## Course Syllabus

Introduction to Chemistry

CHE 102 – N02

Fall 2006

M, W, F 1:00 - 1:50, SC 305

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Required Text:

*Introductory Chemistry*, Tro. Second Edition, Prentice Hall

Course Description Chemistry 102 is a class for students who did not study chemistry in high school or are not prepared for Chemistry 115 (Physiological Chemistry) or Chemistry 120 (General Chemistry I). Selected essential topics in chemistry, including solutions, reactions, stoichiometry and properties of solids, liquids and gases will be investigated.

Chemistry 102 is NOT a general education course.

This is a web enhance course. Students meet regularly scheduled class time and will need access to the internet to fulfill course requirements.

Course Calendar: Important dates and the tentative class schedule are found on the class calendar which is on the third page of the syllabus.

Attendance: Attendance will count as 30 points toward your grade. Students who miss more than 5 classes during the semester will not receive attendance points. Students are responsible for all information presented during lecture.

Blackboard: Students will be expected to use Blackboard to receive announcements and any additional information about class. The syllabus, class calendar, chapter outlines, handouts, answers to in class quizzes and exams will be posted on Blackboard. Out of class, on line quizzes will also be given in Blackboard. See below for more details. Blackboard can also be used to check grades and find useful websites.

Assignments: Chemistry is a problems based course and successfully completing all assigned problems will help you succeed on quizzes and exams. Homework will be collected. A list of homework problems will be provided along with their due dates. Each homework assignment will count for 10 points, with 9 counting towards your grade. Other problems from the text book will be provided as well, these will not be collected.

Exams: There will be 4 exams and a comprehensive final exam; the dates for these are listed on the calendar. In general, there will be no make up exams. If you miss an exam because of an emergency, you must contact the instructor before the next scheduled class meeting.

Quizzes: Online quizzes will be given through Blackboard. The dates for these quizzes are listed on the course calendar. Students will have from 8:00 am to midnight on the listed dates to go on line and complete the quiz. Students are expected to work independently without the aid of

books or notes. Please follow the NKU Honor Code. Eight online quizzes will be given. Several in class quizzes may also be given. Each quiz will be worth 15 points and the best five scores will count toward your grade.

Supplemental Instruction: Supplemental instruction will be offered in this class. SI offers weekly group review sessions along with study guides, homework assistance and test preparation. Students are encouraged to attend these sessions at least once a week. The SI leader will be Adam Ketron.

Out of Class Points: Students will be required to earn 20 “out of class” points and can earn up to 25 (5 bonus points). These points can be earned in several ways. Students can earn up to 2 points a week by attending SI sessions. Students can also earn up to 4 points for summarizing and turning in a chemistry related article from a current newspaper or magazine. See blackboard for the SI schedules as well as the guidelines and forms required to receive credit. Other methods of earning these points may be announced through out the semester.

Calculators: Calculators are necessary for this class. In order to maintain equality however, programmable calculators will not be permitted for use on exams or quizzes.

Grading:

Exams:	400 points (100 points each)
Final Exam:	150 points
Quizzes:	75 points (15 points each)
Homework:	90 points (10 points each)
Attendance:	30 points
Out of Class:	20 points

Grading Scale:

A	$\geq 689$ points
B	612 – 688 points
C	535 – 611 points
D	459 - 534 points
F	$< 459$ points

Links to disability services and the learning assistance program can be found on Blackboard.

The work you will do in any course is subject to the Student Honor Code. The Honor Code is a commitment to the highest degree of ethical integrity in academic conduct, a commitment that, individually and collectively, the students of Northern Kentucky will not lie, cheat or plagiarize to gain an academic advantage over fellow students or avoid academic requirements.

Cheating will not be tolerated. In accordance with the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities, faculty members have the right to determine actions to be taken when a student is caught cheating.

Faculty members reserve the right to dismiss or to have removed a disruptive student from their classrooms.

The Instructor reserves the right to modify the syllabus at any time during the semester.

Students are required to read and understand the contents of this syllabus. Any questions must be brought to the instructor’s attention by September 1, 2006.