Course Syllabus

CHEM 2423
Organic Chemistry I (4005045203)

Course Description: Fundamental principles of organic chemistry will be studied, including the structure, bonding, properties, and reactivity of organic molecules; and properties and behavior of organic compounds and their derivatives. Emphasis is placed on organic synthesis and mechanisms. Includes study of covalent and ionic bonding, nomenclature, stereochemistry, structure and reactivity, reaction mechanisms, functional groups, and synthesis of simple molecules. Laboratory activities will reinforce fundamental principles of organic chemistry. Methods for the purification and identification of organic compounds will be examined. THIS COURSE IS INTENDED FOR STUDENTS IN SCIENCE OR PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS.

Semester Hours Credit: 4

Lecture/Lab Hours: 3-3

Prerequisite: CHEM 1412, General Chemistry II

To enroll in any science course, students must demonstrate readiness to perform college level academic coursework in reading and writing according to Coastal Bend College academic skills assessment guidelines. Basic computer skills are also required.


Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Classify organic compounds by structure, molecular orbitals, hybridization, resonance, tautomerism, polarity, chirality, conformation, and functionality.

2. Identify organic molecules using appropriate organic nomenclature.
3. Describe the principle reactions for syntheses of molecules, ions, and radicals.

4. Describe organic reactions in terms of radical and ionic mechanisms.

5. Describe the use of spectroscopic data to determine the structure of organic molecules.

6. Formulate appropriate reaction conditions for the synthesis of simple organic molecules.

7. Perform chemical experiments, analysis procedures, and waste disposal in a safe and responsible manner.

8. Utilize scientific tools such as glassware and analytical instruments to collect and analyze data.

9. Identify and utilize appropriate separation techniques such as distillation, extraction, and chromatography to purify organic compounds.

10. Record experimental work completely and accurately in laboratory notebooks, and communicate experimental results clearly in written reports.

11. Demonstrate a basic understanding of stereochemistry.

12. Classify organic compounds by structure, molecular orbitals, hybridization, resonance, tautomerism, polarity, chirality, conformation, and functionality in laboratory reports.

13. Identify organic molecules using appropriate organic nomenclature in laboratory reports.


15. Describe organic reactions in terms of radical and ionic mechanisms in laboratory reports.

16. Use spectroscopic data to determine the structure of organic molecules.

Evaluation Methods:

The course grade is based upon four (4) exams (55%), a comprehensive final exam (20%), and the laboratory grade (25%). The average of about twelve (12) experiments determines the laboratory grade.

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See at: FLB (Local) and FM (Local).

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