

## THREE RIVERS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**Chemistry K121:** General Chemistry  
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**Course Description:** CHEM 111 GENERAL CHEMISTRY 1  
4 SEMESTER HOURS

Study of fundamental principles, theories, and laws of chemistry. Topics include atomic theory and the structure of the atom, the aggregated states of matter, kinetic molecular theory, chemical bonding, stoichiometry and periodicity, solutions, and colloids.

Three hour lecture; one three hour laboratory period. OFFERED IN FALL SEMESTER ONLY.

### Prerequisites:

1. High school chemistry or CHE K111 with a grade of C or better.
2. Placement test score indicating ENG K101 or completion of K100 with C or better.
3. MAT K137 with a C or better.

**Textbooks:** Lecture: Chemistry 9th Edition  
Raymond Chang  
McGraw-Hill  
Lab: Chemical Principles in the Laboratory, 9th edition  
Slowinski, Wolsey and Masterton

### Computation of Grades:

1. Quizzes will be given approximately once a week. Quizzes are announced. The average of all quizzes is equal to a one hour exam.
2. The average of lab reports will equal a one hour exam.
3. During the semester 2 or 3 one hour exams will be given.
4. The final exam will have a value equivalent to two one hour exams. FINAL EXAM IS CUMULATIVE!
5. Final grade = [quiz average + lab average + exam 1 + exam 2 +( 2 X final)]/6

## Course Objectives:

1. Be familiar with scientific notation, significant digits, and the metric system.
2. Understand atomic structure, isotopes and the ZXA notation.
3. Know chemical nomenclature for inorganic compounds.
4. Be able to determine percent composition and molecular and empirical formula.
5. Be able to balance equations and do stoichiometric calculations for chemical reactions including reactions in solution and gaseous phase.  
Stoichiometric calculations include:
  - Limiting reactant
  - Theoretical yield
  - Percent yield
  - Amount non-limiting reactant left over
6. Be able to use:
  - Molarity
  - Percent by mass
  - Parts per million
7. Have an understanding of ionic, covalent, and coordinate covalent bonding.
8. Have a basic understanding of quantum mechanics and atomic orbitals and how it relates to the periodic chart.
9. Be familiar with Lewis dot structures.
10. Have a basic understanding of molecular geometry.
11. Know the difference between pi and sigma bonding.
12. Be able to do acid-base and redox titration calculations.
13. Be able to do calculations using the ideal gas law and universal gas law.
14. Have an understanding of gas behavior and pressure.
15. Understand energy, enthalpy, and the first law of thermodynamics.

Attendance is recorded. There is no formal attendance policy, however, numerous unexcused absences will result in the lower grade being given in a borderline situation.

## Tentative Schedule (subject to change)

Chapter 1	Scientific Method Metric System Significant digits Scientific notation Density Classification of matter
Chapter 2	Atomic structure Atomic number, mass number, neutron number, and the ZAX notation Ions The periodic table Molecular and empirical formulae Nomenclature
Chapter 3	Atomic mass

	Molar mass Percent composition Determination of empirical and molecular formulae Equation balancing Stoichiometry Theoretical yield Percent yield Limiting reactant
Chapter 4	Electrolyte Precipitation reactions Acid base neutralization Oxidation-reduction reactions Gravimetric analysis Acid-Base titrations Redox titrations
Chapter 12	Concentration units: Molarity Percent by mass Parts per million (ppm)
Chapter 7	Nature of light Bohr model of the atom Basic quantum mechanics Quantum numbers and atomic orbitals Atomic orbitals and the periodic chart Electron configuration and Auf-ban principle
Chapter 8	Development of the periodic table Periodic properties Variation in properties on the periodic chart Ionization energy Electron affinity Atomic and ionic diameter Electronegativity
Chapter 9	Ionic, covalent and coordinate covalent bonding Octet rule Lewis dot structures Resonance structures
Chapter 10	Dipole moments Molecular geometry Pi and sigma bonding
Chapter 11	Hydrogen bonding Van der Waals forces Polarity vs. non-polarity and the prediction of solubility

Chapter 5	Kinetic theory of gases
	Ideal and universal gas laws
	Dalton's law of partial pressure
	Vapor pressure
	Stoichiometry with gas phase reactions
	Deviation from ideal behavior

### **Tentative Lab Schedule**

1. Orientation and safety
2. Density
3. Recrystallization
4. Nomenclature
5. Percent composition or empirical formula determination
6. Precipitation reactions
7. Identification of carbonates
8. A series of chemical reactions
9. Chemical synthesis and percent yield
10. Acid-Base titration
11. Redox titration
12. Qualitative analysis
13. Gas-laws