



Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
2026 Winter Session
CHEM 101 Introduction to Chemistry with Lab

Course Outline

Course Code: CHEM 101

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Credit: 4

Class Hours:

This course will have 76 class hours, including 32 lecture hours, professor 8 office hours, 8-hour TA discussion sessions, 4-hour review sessions and 24 Lab hours.

Course Description: This course is a study of the fundamentals of chemistry. A survey of atomic structure, periodicity, bonding, nomenclature, stoichiometry, gas laws, and solution chemistry is provided for those students with no background in these areas.

Lecture: The format of class meetings will be a combination of traditional lecture format, problem solving/ group activities, group discussions, and laboratory exercises. I will summarize new material and present illustrations and examples. In lecture, I WILL NOT identify and describe every detail you will read in the text and any supplemental materials. I will, however, emphasize the important topics covered in the reading as well as problem solving strategies when appropriate. You should stop me at any time if you have questions about the material being covered.

In the problem solving/group activities, material from the lecture will be explored in greater detail. We will work on specific "challenge problems" in small groups and any questions you have on the material covered in lecture or homework problems.

Reading: You are expected to complete the assigned reading prior to the class lecture. After lecture, you should reread the assigned text. I recommend that you understand the material and how to solve the sample problems before proceeding to the next section. At the end of each chapter, a summary of important equations and terms is provided that should prove helpful in the preparation for exams.

Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Apply significant figures correctly in measurements and calculations.
2. Use dimensional analysis to solve a variety of problems.
3. Use the periodic table to assist in explaining chemical bonding, polarity, and physical and chemical properties of elements.
4. Calculate amounts of chemical species using information from chemical formulas and chemical equations.
5. Correlate information from balanced chemical equations to the microscopic scale.
6. Explain atomic structure using the quantum mechanical model of the atom
7. Calculate the mathematical relationship between variables after graphing the experimental data.
8. Apply knowledge of chemistry principles to real world situations.

Required Textbooks: We will also use an online textbook found at OpenStax Chemistry (open source e-book): <https://openstax.org/details/books/chemistry-atoms-first-2e>

Homework: Each lecture has a group of homework problems assigned to it. The problems are chosen to prepare you for the hour exams. If you understand and can do all the homework, you probably will do well on the exams. To get the most benefit from homework, you should **do the assignments on schedule**. It is important to keep up with these assignments!

Laboratory: You will complete 3 approximately 2 hour online labs each week. The lab content has been specifically created to meet the learning objectives of this course. The schedule of labs is included below.

Exams: There are two hour exams during the course, plus a cumulative final exam. Exam problems will be similar to the problems assigned as homework and the problems worked in class.

Grading & Evaluation:

Homework:	100 points (5 at 20 points each)
Labs:	300 points (12 at 25 points each)
Midterm Exam:	100 points



Final Exam: 100 points
Total: 600 points

Grading System (1 ~ 100)

A+ : 96 - 100	A : 91 - 95
B+ : 86 - 90	B : 81 - 85
C+ : 76 - 80	C : 71 - 75
D+ : 66 - 70	D : 60 - 65
F : 0 - 59	
Pa : Pass	Fa : Fail

Course Schedule:

Week1 (videos 1-6)

1. Matter and Energy
2. Atoms/elements
3. Light, electrons and atomic theory
4. Electronic configuration
5. Periodic Table
6. Periodic Trends

Lab 1 – Atomic Structure Lab
Lab 2 – Electron Configuration Lab
Lab 3 – The Periodic Table and Periodic Trends Lab

Week 2 (videos 7-12)

7. Periodic Trends
8. Compounds
9. Chemical Bonds
10. Lewis structures
11. Molecules and shapes of molecules
12. Problem solving

Lab 4 – Ionic and Covalent Bonding Lab
Lab 5 – Molecular Modeling Lab
Lab 6 – Quantitative chemistry/Stoichiometry Lab

Week3 (videos 13-19)

13. Grams, Moles and Mass percent
14. Chemical Reactions
15. Balanced Chemical reactions
16. Solutions, Solubility and precipitation reactions



- 17. Acids and Bases
- 18. Acid Base reactions
- 19. Oxidations and reductions

Lab 7 – Reactions in solution Lab
Lab 8 – Acid/Base Titration Lab
Lab 9 – Redox Chemistry

Week4 (videos 20-25)

- 20. Balancing redox equations
- 21. Limiting reactant and yield
- 22. Intermolecular forces and water
- 23. Solutions-homogeneous and heterogeneous
- 24. mass percent, molarity
- 25. Dilutions

Lab 10 – Gas Law lab
Lab 11 – Basic Chemical Thermodynamics Lab
Lab 12 – Matter and Phase Changes Lab

