

**CHMD16H3: Environmental & Analytical Chemistry
-Winter Term 2021-**

-This course will be offered online synchronously-

Lecture: Mondays 12-4pm from January 11 – February 22, 2021

Laboratory: Mondays 12-4pm from March 1 – April 5, 2021

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Students will learn about analytical techniques used in environmental chemistry, including: gas and liquid chromatography, mass spectrometry, atomic absorption, and ultraviolet-visible spectroscopy. Environmental sampling and ecotoxicology will also be covered. Students will carry out laboratory analyses and receive hands-on training with analytical instrumentation commonly used in environmental chemistry.

PREREQUISITES

CHMB55H3 and CHMC11H3. All students must have the appropriate prerequisites for this course.

EXCLUSIONS

CHM317H (St. George campus), CHM410H (St. George campus).

GRADE BREAKDOWN

Midterm exam	30%
Research Project Paper	30%
Laboratory Reports (two reports)	40%

ASSIGNMENT PREPARATION & SUBMISSION

All course work including the Research Project and Laboratory Reports must be prepared using MS Office (or equivalent) software and submitted using Turnitin.com (see section on plagiarism).

LATE WORK

Students are expected to submit work on time and late work will not be accepted.

COURSE LECTURE NOTES & LECTURE ATTENDANCE

There is no required textbook for this course and lecture notes will cover all topics in detail. Lecture notes (as a pdf) will be posted on Quercus. Examination material will include emphasized lecture material only (lecture material will be discussed in detail in class). Students should make every attempt to attend lectures in real time (online synchronous). Lectures will be recorded as a reference but real time attendance is important for the active learning of students in this course.

LIBRARY RESOURCES

The following textbooks (available online through the UofT library) are relevant to the course content:

- “Environmental Trace Analysis: Techniques and Applications”, 2014, J.R. Dean. Wiley.
- “GC-MS: A practical guide”, 2011, O. D. Sparkman, Z. Penton, F. G. Kitson. 2nd edition, Elsevier.
- “Introduction to Modern Liquid Chromatography”, 2010, L. R. Snyder, J. J. Kirkland, J.W. Dolan. 3rd edition, Wiley.
- “Fundamentals of Contemporary Mass Spectrometry”, 2007, C. Dass, Wiley.
- “Introduction to Mass Spectrometry: Instrumentation, Applications, and Strategies for Data Interpretation”, 2007, J.T. Watson, O. D. Sparkman, 4th edition, Wiley.

PLAGIARISM

Normally, students will be required to submit their course essays and laboratory reports to Turnitin.com for a review of textual similarity and detection of possible plagiarism. In doing so, students will allow their essays and laboratory reports to be included as source documents in the Turnitin.com reference database, where they will be used solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism. The terms that apply to the University’s use of the Turnitin.com service are described on the Turnitin.com web site.

University of Toronto Scarborough code of Behavior on Academic Matters states that "it shall be an offense for a student knowingly: to represent as one's own any idea or expression of an idea or work of another in any academic examination or term test or in connection with any other form of academic work, i.e., to commit plagiarism."

Students are expected to submit original work. Students suspected of plagiarism will be reported based on University policy and code of behavior (please refer to the University Calendar for more details).

QUERCUS DISCUSSION BOARD and E-MAIL ENQUIRIES

Course instructors will be available for consultation during office hours and during lecture/laboratory sessions. Students may email course instructors for clarification of course content but please consider posting your question on the course Quercus Discussion board so that all students can benefit and learn from the discussion.

ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS

The University of Toronto is committed to accessibility. If you require accommodations for a disability, or have any accessibility concerns about the course, the classroom or course materials, please contact Accessibility Services as soon as possible: <http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/~ability/>.

WRITING SUPPORT

The University of Toronto Scarborough Writing Centre (<http://utsc.utoronto.ca/twc/>) offers writing support to all students in several forms. Students are advised to take advantage of their programs for assistance with scientific writing.

TENTATIVE LECTURE SCHEDULE & LABORATORY SCHEDULE

Date	Topics	Course work due
Monday, January 11	- Course introduction and overview - Sampling and isolation of compounds for quantification and identification	
Monday, January 18	- Basics of analytical measurements and quantification - Gas chromatography & related analytical detectors	
Monday, January 25	- Gas chromatography & related analytical detectors (continued) - Liquid chromatography & related analytical detectors	
Monday, February 1	- Liquid chromatography & related analytical detectors (continued)	
Monday, February 8	- Metal analysis (atomic absorption and atomic emission) - Guest speaker (2-4pm)	
Monday, February 15	Reading week	
Monday, February 22	MIDTERM EXAM <i>Details will be announced in class</i>	
Monday, March 1	Laboratory Experiments online synchronous Group 1 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS Group 2 – Analysis of water by LC & IC	
Monday, March 8	Group 1 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS Group 2 – Analysis of water by LC & IC	Written research paper due at 12pm (submit on Quercus)
Monday, March 15	Group 1 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS Group 2 – Analysis of water by LC & IC	
Monday, March 22	Experiments Change Group 1 – Analysis of water by LC & IC Group 2 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS	Lab report due at 12pm (submit on Quercus)
Monday, March 29	Group 1 – Analysis of water by LC & IC Group 2 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS	
Monday, April 5	Group 1 – Analysis of water by LC & IC Group 2 – Analysis of PAHs in soil by GC & Pb in soil by AAS	
Friday, April 9	No laboratory experiments	Lab report due by 4pm (submit on Quercus)