

CHEMISTRY 333, SPRING 2026
ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I

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Lecture	TTh 11:30 am – 12:45 pm Eucalyptus 2227
Text & Supplies	Wade, <i>Organic Chemistry</i> , 9th edition Simek and Wade, <i>Solutions Manual for Organic Chemistry</i> , 9th edition A set of molecular models (e.g., <i>Molecular Visions</i> models) A laptop or tablet with a working camera and microphone Internet access capable of streaming video content
Course Web Site	http://www.csun.edu/~hcchm007/chem333.html

Requisite Courses

Required prerequisites are Chemistry 102, Chemistry 102D, and Chemistry 102L or their equivalents, with a minimum grade of C- in Chemistry 102.

Current enrollment or a previous passing grade in Chemistry 333D is a required corequisite. Current enrollment or a previous passing grade in Chemistry 333L also is a required corequisite.

Course Content and Objectives

This course examines the structure and properties of organic molecules, with a special emphasis on functional groups and their reactions. Attention is given to the mechanisms of organic reactions and the spectroscopic techniques used to determine the structure of organic molecules.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will demonstrate basic knowledge in the area of organic chemistry.

Examination Schedule

Two midterm examinations are scheduled for February 26 and April 9. The two-hour final examination will be held on May 12. Each of these three examinations is worth 100 points.

Examination Policies

The purpose of examinations is for students to demonstrate individual mastery of the course material. Therefore, examinations will be closed-book, no-collaboration exercises. Molecular models are allowed but calculators and cell phones are both unnecessary and not allowed. Students are required to be logged in to Zoom with their video cameras turned on during examinations if these exercises are conducted online. Virtual backgrounds in Zoom are allowed.

No make-up exams will be given. Excused absences, communicated to the instructor within two weeks, will result in no penalty. Unexcused absences will result in a zero. A maximum of one examination will be excused in this course, so please consider your availability very carefully when deciding whether or not to stay enrolled in this course.

The final examination must be taken to receive a letter grade for the course.

Grading

There are two grading schemes available for this course, depending upon whether or not a student is enrolled in the discussion, Chemistry 333D.

For students enrolled only in Chemistry 333, the letter grade will be based exclusively on the three examinations. Each examination is worth 100 points. (Point total for the course: 300 points = 100%.)

For students also enrolled in the Chemistry 333D discussion, the letter grade will be based on the three examinations and the 100-point total from the discussion. (Point total for the course: 300 + 100 = 400 points = 100%.) This letter grade will be assigned to both Chemistry 333 and 333D.

In either case, letter grades will be determined by overall percentage scores, not absolute point totals. Therefore, although it is extremely useful, the Chemistry 333D discussion should not be considered as a source of extra-credit points.

The following percentage values will be used for the assignment of overall, course letter grades:
A 90% and above; **A-** 80–89%; **B+** 77–79%; **B** 73–76%; **B-** 70–72%; **C+** 67–69%; **C** 63–66%;
C- 60–62%; **D+** 57–59%; **D** 53–56%; **D-** 50–52%; **F** below 50%.

Additional Course Policies

No electronic recording (screenshot, audio, photographic, nor video) of the class sessions is allowed. Unless instructed otherwise, all cell phones should be turned off and set aside during class.

All course content (lectures, handouts, problem sets, exams, etc.) can be used by you only for your own, personal educational purposes. This course content is protected by copyright law and may not be shared, uploaded, or distributed without authorization. Students who violate copyright law will have their case referred to the Division of Student Affairs for appropriate disciplinary action.

Academic Honesty

By enrolling in this class, you agree to abide by all California State University, Northridge policies of academic honesty and integrity. Students violating these standards will receive a zero for the exercise in question. If a subsequent violation occurs during the semester for a particular student, that student will fail the class and the Division of Student Affairs will be notified and may impose additional disciplinary action.

The following pages of the 2025–2026 California State University, Northridge catalog describe details of the University policies:

<http://www.csun.edu/catalog/policies/academic-dishonesty/>
<http://www.csun.edu/catalog/policies/faculty-policy-on-academic-dishonesty/>
<http://www.csun.edu/catalog/policies/penalties-for-academic-dishonesty/>

COVID-19 Considerations

This class will be held in-person and will meet on-campus.

The instructor will notify you of any COVID policy changes that may occur during the semester if necessary. If you develop COVID symptoms, consult your Personal Care Physician (PCP) to get tailored guidance on treatment, isolation duration, and when it's safe to resume normal activities. Please stay home and inform your instructor. Only return to campus once you are fever-free for at least 24 hours and your symptoms have improved.