

Dear CHEM-268 Students,

Welcome back to the organic lab for chemistry majors. You are responsible for knowing all of the contents of all information given on the Chem 268 website.

This semester is a lot more independent than in 267. There is no prelab talk given by the instructor. Simply a short talk given by the TA. Paying close attention, having to print out weekly experiment handouts, and having to spend sufficient time in preparing for lab and in writing up reports is a small price to pay for being able to complete two credits of organic lab in one semester.

Email messages will be sent to you much less frequently than in 267, however, be sure to use and maintain your UMass email address and check it often.

About the course website:

- Schedule of Experiments: gives the dates of experiments, dates when lab will not be in session, references to your organic text for background information, etc.
- Calendar: a summary of the semester schedule
- Safety and Waste Disposal: how to work in the lab with regard to safety and how to safely and responsibly dispose of chemical wastes. KNOW THIS INSIDE OUT. Credit will be lost for safety violations.
- Notebook and Grading Policies: this tells you how your grade will be calculated and what you need to do to get a good grade. Follow it closely.
- Makeup Policies and Procedures: read over and follow closely if you ever have a need. Make-ups must be done as soon as possible after missing a lab period.