Chemistry 6226

Advanced Synthetic Organic Chemistry

Spring 2025

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Lectures: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 12:50 – 1:40 p.m.

Flint 109

Office Hours: By appointment as needed

Recommended Texts: Classics in Stereoselective Synthesis

by Erick M. Carreira and Lisbet Kvaerno ISBN 9783527299669

Advanced Organic Chemistry, Part B: Reactions and Synthesis, 5th Ed. by Francis A. Carey and Richard J. Sundberg, ISBN 9780387683546

Available for free to UF students as an eBook:

https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007%2F978-0-387-71481-3

Reference Texts: Strategic Applications of Named Reactions in Organic Synthesis

by László Kürti and Barbara Czakó

Modern Organic Synthesis, An Introduction, 2nd Edition by George Zweifel, Michael Nantz, and Peter Somfai Modern Methods of Organic Synthesis, 4th Edition

by William Carruthers and Iain Coldham

Modern Organic Synthesis Dale L. Boger, TSRI press

Organic Synthesis, The Disconnection Approach

by Stuart Warren and Paul Wyatt

Organic Synthesis, Strategy and Control

by Paul Wyatt and Stuart Warren

Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis

Available in the Science Library Reference Section and online

Comprehensive Asymmetric Catalysis by Jacobsen, Pfaltz, and Yamamoto eds.

Course Objective and Content: This course is intended to provide an overview of synthetic organic chemistry with an emphasis on carbon–carbon bond forming reactions. Understanding issues of chemo-, regio-, and stereoselectivity are central to developing synthetic strategies and therefore will be highlighted throughout. Portions of the course material were adopted from the classic Chem 206 course by Professor David A. Evans of Harvard University. The course consists of lectures and practice problems taken from the current literature when possible.

Tentative Course Outline:

1. Functional Group Interconversion

- Oxidation - Reduction

Protecting Groups Alkene Functionalization

- Miscellaneous

2. Structure and Reactivity

- Stereoelectronic Effects

- Conformational Analysis

- Acid-Base Properties

3. C–C and C–X Bond Forming Reactions

Pericyclic Reactions Cycloaddition Reactions

- Enolates, formation/alkylation/aldol reactions

- Acyclic Stereocontrol

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- Intro Asymmetric Organocatalysis

- Intro Photoredox Chemistry

Grading:		Exam Dates:	
Exam 1	100 pts	Exam 1	February 12, 2025
Exam 2	100 pts	Exam 2	March 26, 2025
Exam 3	100 pts	Exam 3	April 23, 2025

Exams are scheduled 7:30-9:30 pm in SFH 221

Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation.

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies that can be found at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

Information on current UF grading policies for assigning grade points: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/

Regrade requests must occur within 1 week of when the exam is returned. Note that grading for the entire exam will be checked for accuracy.

Grade disputes must be submitted within 3 weeks of the end of the semester.

Please note that you may not share any of the course materials with anyone not enrolled in the course.

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 - Acyclic Stereocontrol
 - Olefination
 - Carbocations
 - Carbenes
 - Cross-coupling
 - Intro Photoredox Chemistry
 - Intro Asymmetric Organocatalysis

Monday	Wednesday	Friday
1/13-	1/15-	1/17-
1/20- No Class	1/22-	1/24-
1/27-	1/29-	1/31-
2/3-	2/5-	2/7-
2/10-	2/12- Exam 1	2/14-
2/17-	2/19-	2/21-
2/24-	2/26-	2/28-
3/3-	3/5-	3/7-
3/10-	3/12-	3/14-
3/17- No Class	3/19- No Class	3/21- No Class
3/24-	3/26- Exam 2	3/28-
3/31-	4/2-	4/4-
4/7-	4/9-	4/11-
4/14-	4/16-	4/18-
4/21-	4/23- Exam 3	