

### General Information

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<b>Lecture Times:</b>	Two 75 min. lectures per week, to be scheduled with students
<b>Tutorials:</b>	Prior to examinations
<b>Assignments:</b>	Seven assigned problem sets, not handed in for marks. Six short assignments to keep students up to date with course materials.

### I. Instructional Materials

The course is largely based upon the notes which are handed out in each class. Students receive approximately 25 sets of notes and 7 sets of tutorial problems.

#### **Textbooks (optional):**

There is not a mandatory textbook for the course; suggested readings come from:

1. Keeler, J. *Understanding NMR Spectroscopy*. John Wiley & Sons, Chichester, U.K., 2005 ISBN 13978-0-470-01786-9 (soft cover).
2. Hore, P.J.; Jones, J.A. and Wimperis, S. *NMR: The toolkit*. Oxford University Press, Oxford, U.K., 2000. An Oxford Chemistry Primer. ISBN 0 19 8504152 (soft cover)
3. Levitt, M.H. *Spin Dynamics: Basics of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance*. John Wiley & Sons, New York, 2001. ISBN 0471489220 (soft cover)
4. Claridge, T.D.W. *High-Resolution NMR Techniques in Organic Chemistry*. Elsevier Science, The Netherlands, 1999. ISBN 0080427987 (soft cover).

### II. Course Objectives

1. To provide the student with an understanding of the physical basis of NMR, all the way from nuclear spin to modern two-dimensional NMR techniques.
2. To train the student in the practical aspects of NMR spectroscopy, including spectral processing and NMR hardware.
3. To encourage the student to utilize a wide variety of NMR experiments and techniques to aid in their ongoing research.

### III. Tutorials and Laboratories

Tutorial sessions are offered prior to all quizzes and/or examinations. There is currently no laboratory component for this course, though several laboratory demonstrations are given.

**Mark breakdown and guidelines**

<b>Mark Breakdown:</b>	<b>59-542</b>	<b>59-445</b>	
Mid-term 1	15%	20%	TBA
Mid-term 2	15%	20%	TBA
Assignments	10%	10%	
Presentation	20%	--	TBA
Final Exam	40%	50%	TBA

**Note:** Lecture slots and exam times will be scheduled in the first week of classes with the consent of all students in 59-445 and 59-542. I will try my best to work around all scheduling issues for all students.

- A. Attendance is VERY IMPORTANT to be successful in this course - students who do not attend lectures generally score very low on quizzes and exams. **You must keep up with the material as the semester progresses.**
- B. To arrange consultation time with Dr. Schurko, please **make an appointment by email**. Office hours are quite flexible and will be adjusted around your schedule of classes and t.a. responsibilities.
- C. Updated versions of lecture notes will be handed out at the start of class, and adequate lecture notes should be taken as a compliment. Students are encouraged to consult with the instructor about any material that is unclear.
- D. Problem sets are handed out as the course progresses, and are directly related to material from the notes. Answer keys are available for these problem sets.
- E. This year, six short assignments will be handed out to keep the students up to date with course materials.
- F. Exams missed due without an official excused absence will result in a grade of zero. Only students with an official excused absence will be given the opportunity to make-up an exam, which may be written or oral. If for health or personal reasons an exam must be missed, you must notify Dr. Schurko by phone or email within 12 hours before or after the exam.
- G. All students are required to take the final examination in order to receive a passing grade in the course. No notebooks, texts or cheat sheets are allowed in any of the examinations. Students caught cheating will receive an automatic grade of zero and be subject to academic discipline.

***Outline of Course Material***

*Section 1: Introduction to NMR*

- Lecture 1: NMR in Context: Spectroscopy; History of NMR; Nuclear Spin
- Lecture 2: Vector Model, Semi-Classical Model, Rotating Frame
- Lecture 3: Quantum Mechanics of NMR
- Lecture 4: Spin Operators
- Lecture 5: Density Matrix Theory: Populations and Coherences

*Section 2: Fourier Transform NMR & The NMR Spectrometer*

- Lecture 6: The Basic FT NMR Experiment
- Lecture 7: The Fourier Transform in NMR
- Lecture 8: Spectral Processing and Data Manipulation
- Lecture 9: The NMR Spectrometer; Practical Considerations
- Lecture 10: Phase Cycling and Pulse Sequences

***Midterm 1***

*Section 3: NMR Interactions, Relaxation and Chemical Exchange*

- Lecture 11: NMR Interactions: Introduction, Quadrupolar Interaction
- Lecture 12: Chemical Shielding
- Lecture 13: Direct Dipole-Dipole Interaction
- Lecture 14: Indirect Spin-Spin Interaction (J-Coupling)
- Lecture 15: Relaxation in NMR
- Lecture 16: Relaxation Mechanisms and Dynamic Motions
- Lecture 17: Chemical Exchange Phenomena

*Section 4: Advanced Topics in NMR*

- Lecture 18: Coherences and the AX Spin System
- Lecture 19: Double Resonance Experiments, Part 1
- Lecture 20: Double Resonance Experiments, Part 2

***Midterm 2***

- Lecture 21: Introduction to 2D NMR, J-resolved and COSY Experiments
- Lecture 22: General Features in 2D NMR
- Lecture 23: Survey of 2D NMR Techniques
- Lecture 24: Introduction to Solid-State NMR
- Lecture 25: Student Presentations: Special Topics in NMR

***Examinations***

All examination dates will be decided upon in class during the first two weeks.

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