**Lab Supervisor Information**

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**Course Identification**

Course Number: CH2411-LXX  
Course Name: Organic Chemistry Lab I  
Course Location: 601N & 601S Chemical Sciences and Engineering Building  
Class Times: TR 1:05pm – 3:55pm

**Course Description/Overview**

This is a laboratory course designed to develop your skills in dealing with experimental problems. A good experimentalist must have several important qualifications: the ability to pay strict attention to detail, to reason scientifically, to record and communicate what has been accomplished, and to master new techniques and manipulate equipment.
Course Learning Objectives

We will be executing a number of experiments designed to both provide you access to organic chemistry techniques and to demonstrate concepts learned in lecture. Additionally, learning to keep and maintain a laboratory notebook is major component of the course. We will also expand upon your ability to research chemistry through a library component of the course.

1. Students will execute a range of organic techniques which include: extractions, distillation, chromatography, and recrystallization.
2. Students will record experimental procedures in their lab notebooks to a high degree of detail such that their work could be replicated by another student.
3. Students will be able to identify a number of resources for researching chemical substances and evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of each.

Course Resources

Course Website
- Canvas <http://www.mtu.instructure.com/>

Required Course Text
- A bound lab notebook published by Chemical Education Resources, Inc. (ISBN #087540-249-6) with duplicate pages. (Available in MTU Bookstore.)

Course Fees
There is a required lab fee of $169.00.

Course Supplies
You are required to supply your own safety goggles for this lab. They are available from MTU Bookstore cashier or Chem. Stores, Room B002 of the ChemSci & Eng Bldg. The goggles should be indirectly vented.
**Grading Scheme**

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Grades will be based on the following:

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<td>Experiments (7 labs x 95 points each)</td>
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<td>Notebook Assignment</td>
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<td>Library Lab Session</td>
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Points for experiments are divided into the following categories:

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<td>Quiz (Issued at beginning of a new experiment)</td>
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<td>Experimental Section (Due upon completion of experiment)</td>
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<td>Postlab (Due the lab period following completion of experiment)</td>
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For more information on the specifics of each component of the experiment, please review “How to Keep a Laboratory Notebook” under “Lab and Safety Notes” on the course website at the URL listed earlier.

**Late Assignments**

Students with an incomplete prelab will receive a zero for that assignment and will not be allowed to work in the lab until the prelab has been completed. All late work will receive 0 points if not turned in on time. No excuses will be accepted.

**Course Policies**

A responsible attitude towards attendance is critical to the efficient operation of this laboratory course. Much of the same responsibility and courtesy shown to an employer are expected from students enrolled in this course, including attendance during the weekly scheduled lab time. Please make note of the following:

1. To make up a lab, you must email orgmakeup@mtu.edu or obtain permission from the lab faculty advisor. Note: contacting your instructor will not ensure placement into a make-up lab session as s/he is not responsible for assigning make-up sessions.
2. If after approval of the absence request you decide to perform the experiment in your own section, please email orgmakeup@mtu.edu. Remember there could be other students whose request was not approved due to lack of space availability.

**IMPORTANT ABSENCE POLICY NOTES**

- Contact the dean of students and make them aware of your absence from class.
- All absences must be made up within one week of the missed lab. To facilitate this, please complete an absence request form or notify the lab supervisor as soon as you know you will miss a laboratory!
- Postlab exercises must be handed in the week they are due. Postlab turned in late will be assigned 0 points.
- Three unexcused absences will result in an F for the course. If you suspect that you will be absent more than once, it is strongly recommended that you contact the dean of students for validation of your absence.

**SAFETY NOTES**

General lab safety protocols are followed. The following are a few general safety guidelines which should be observed. Additional guidelines may be found on the lab website under “Lab and Safety Notes”.

- Safety goggles must be worn at all times when chemicals are in use.
- Shoes should be closed toed. Sandals and shorts are prohibited.
• Clothes should cover a majority of your skin's surface and it is strongly
recommended that you wear the provided lab coat. Latex gloves are provided for
handling hazardous substances. Keep all loose hair tied back.
• Never eat or drink in the lab.
• Bags and coats must be stored in the coves in the hallway. They are a tripping
hazard in the lab.

**Collaboration/Plagiarism Rules**

Lab exercises and assignments are to be completed individually. Students may discuss
content of exercises but only after working on them individually. Experiments will be
performed individually except when partnerships are specified.

**University Policies**

Academic regulations and procedures are governed by University policy. Academic
dishonesty cases will be handled in accordance the University's policies.

If you have a disability that could affect your performance in this class or that requires an
accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please see me as soon as
possible so that we can make appropriate arrangements. The Affirmative Action Office has
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Tech, please call the Dean of Students Office, at 487-2212. For other concerns about
discrimination, you may contact your advisor, department head or the Affirmative Action
Office, at 487-3310*

**Academic Integrity:**
http://www.studentaffairs.mtu.edu/dean/judicial/policies/academic_integrity.html

**Affirmative Action:**
http://www.admin.mtu.edu/aa0/

**Disability Services:**
http://www.admin.mtu.edu/urel/studenthandbook/student_services.html#disability

**Equal Opportunity Statement:**
Course Schedule – Content Pending

Additional information and specific notes for each weekly meeting can be found on the course website under the “Experiment Schedules” page. It is your responsibility to review this information prior to each weekly meeting. Failure to do so will result in your inability to attend lab.

Week 1 - Tuesday
Check-in, Safety, Course Introduction, and Notebook Instruction

READING: (a) Lab Notes; (b) The Organic Chem Lab Survival Manual, by James W. Zubrick (topics): Safety, notebooks & lab notes, handbooks, jointware, and miscellaneous equipment.

Week 1 - Thursday
Library Lab: ChemDraw and Introduction to Library Databases (Content Pending)

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Week 2 - Tuesday
Isolation and Purification of Trimonyristin from Nutmeg with TLC Analysis

PREPARATION: (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): recrystallization, heat sources, the steam bath, clamps and clamping of tapered glassware, reflux and addition, and standard reflux; (c) Review Annotated Notebook; (d) Prepare preliminary notebook.

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Week 2 - Thursday
Continuation of Isolation and Purification of Trimonyristin from Nutmeg with TLC Analysis

PREPARATION: (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): products, melting point, and sample preparation.

Week 3 - Tuesday
Acid and Base Extractions: Separation of Anthracene, Benzoic Acid, and p-Nitroaniline

PREPARATION: (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): Drying agents, extraction and washing, and theory of extraction; (c) Prepare preliminary notebook.

Week 3 - Thursday
Continuation of Acid and Base Extraction: Recrystallization, TLC, and Melting Points

PREPARATION: (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): recrystallization and gravity filtration.

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Week 4 - Tuesday
Separation and Purification of Fluorene and Fluorenone by Column Chromatography

PREPARATION:  (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topic): Wet-column chromatography; (c) Prepare preliminary notebook.

Week 4 - Thursday
Fractional Distillation of an Ethyl Acetate - Butyl Acetate Mixture

PREPARATION:  (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): boiling stones, sources of heat, the heating mantle, clamps and clamping, clamping a distillation setup, distillation, simple, and theory of distillation; (c) Prepare preliminary notebook.

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Week 5 - Tuesday
LAB 9: Continuation of Fractional Distillation: Gas Chromatography of Distillation Fractions

PREPARATION:  (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): syringes, needles and septa, instrumentation in the lab, and gas chromatography.

LAB 10: Determination of E2/ SN2 Ratio for the Reaction of an Alkyl Halide with Potassium Hydroxide (Under Revision)

PREPARATION:  (a) Read experiment; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): boiling stones, jointware, syringes, needles and septa, and reflux; (c) Prepare preliminary lab notebook.

Week 5 - Thursday
Preparation of 1-Bromobutane via a Nucleophilic Substitution

PREPARATION:  (a) Read experiment; (b)Read Zubrick (topics): heating sources, boiling stones, reflux, extraction and washing, drying agent, and clamps and clamping; (c) Prepare preliminary lab notebook.

Week 6 - Tuesday
Continuation of Preparation of 1-Bromobutane: GC and IR Analysis of Product

PREPARATION:  (a) Review experiment and techniques; (b) Read Zubrick (topics): gas chromatography, infrared spectroscopy.

Week 6 - Thursday
Oxidation of Alcohols Using a Clayfen Catalyst (Content Pending)

PREPARATION:  Read experiment, review techniques, and prepare preliminary lab notebook (for 2 weeks). TECHNIQUES (found in Zubrick): Reflux, reflux and addition, gravity filtration, thin-layer chromatography, and infrared spectroscopy.
Week 7 - Tuesday
Continuation of Oxidation of Alcohols (Content Pending)

PREPARATION: Review experiment and techniques.

Week 7 - Thursday
Introduction to Chemical Abstracts and CA Search for an Assigned Compound, Lab Clean-up, Evaluations, and Check-out

NOTE: All students enrolled in this course must check out of their drawer on or before Thursday, June 21. Students who do not make arrangements to check out of their drawer will be fined $25.00 in addition to the cost of replacement equipment.