

Lab FAQ (including quizzes and missed labs)

Frequently Asked Questions

These are answers to some frequently asked questions about the Weekly Labs in PLSCI 2013. More will be added as they come in.

Often, answers to common questions are covered in the [syllabus](#)

(https://canvas.cornell.edu/courses/63431/pages/weekly-lab-syllabus?module_item_id=2426700)!



Weekly Lab Quizzes

The 2013 Weekly Lab quizzes are separate from the Lecture quizzes and work a bit differently.

What material will the lab quizzes cover?

Each week's quiz covers material in that week's pre-lab reading, posted on Canvas.

When and where can I take the lab quiz?

Lab quizzes are given in person at the beginning of lab.

Can I see the answers to the lab quizzes?

Yes. You won't be given the quiz answers in Canvas, but we will discuss the quiz answers at the beginning of each lab.

What happens if I arrive late to lab?

We do not accept late Lab Quizzes, since you are given the answers in lab.

Can I make up a missed quiz?

No.

Are any quizzes dropped?

Yes. In line with our generous lab attendance policy, in which you can miss two labs without penalty, we will be keeping your **six highest quiz scores** for lab. We plan to have 8 quizzes (if everything goes well).

Attendance

We expect you to attend and participate in all our Weekly Labs. If you miss more than 3 of our 10 lab meetings (30% of the class), it will impact your grade—details below.

Is attendance taken?

You must be present for the whole lab to be counted present. Attendance is taken a few minutes after the beginning, and a few minutes before the end of class. We expect you to be present and participate during our Lab time together. A large component of your lab grade comes from simply attending labs.

What happens if I'm a little late?

If you arrive in class after the quiz answers have been covered, you will not be counted as present. Please do stay in class and participate, but you will not receive attendance credit.



What happens if I leave a little early?

Don't leave early — the group discussions at the end of lab are one of the most interactive parts of lab, and we expect you to contribute. If you leave before group discussion breakout rooms are over, you will not receive attendance credit.

What happens if I missed/will miss a lab?

We have a generous attendance policy in which you may miss two labs with no penalty. Additional work is available to make up for a third absence. Starting with a fourth absence your attendance grade will be impacted, with no way to make up for it.

Can I make up the material I missed?

No. Labs happen in the classroom and are not repeated. Lab materials are not posted to Canvas. But, don't worry, there are no comprehensive quizzes or exams in lab, and each lab stands on its own. Lab grades only come from attendance, lab quizzes, and the group project.

<Insert other attendance question here>

Please see the [syllabus \(https://canvas.cornell.edu/courses/63431/assignments/syllabus\)](https://canvas.cornell.edu/courses/63431/assignments/syllabus). The vast majority of questions we get are answered there. If you still have questions, feel free to reach out to us using the contact information in the syllabus.