

Lahore University of Management Sciences

CHEM 410: Physical Chemistry Lab

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Course Teaching Methodology

- Teaching Methodology: In-class lectures and In-lab experiments
- Lecture details: A 50 min in-class lecture before the lab experiment

COURSE BASICS					
Credit Hours	2				
Lecture (per week)	Nbr of Lec(s) Per Week	-	Duration	-	
Recitation (per week)	Nbr of Rec(s) Per Week	-	Duration	-	
Lab (per week)	Nbr of Session(s) Per Week	1	Duration	6 hours	
Tutorial (per week)	Nbr of Tut(s) Per Week	-	Duration	-	

COURSE DISTRIBUTION		
Core	Chemistry majors	
Elective	SSE students – consent is required from the instructor	
Open for Student Category		
Closed for Student Category		

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This lab is designed to give students exposure to general and specialized lab instruments and experimental techniques used in physical chemistry. Each experiment is designed to utilize different techniques to explore and understand the underlying concepts in key areas of physical chemistry including classical and statistical thermodynamics, quantum chemistry, chemical kinetics, surface chemistry, and polymer/material characterization.

COURSE PREREQUISITE(S)

None

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Enhance the analytical skills in problem-solving capabilities
- Understand, utilize and test concepts learned in the earlier courses
- Get conversant with general and modern laboratory instrumentation
- Obtain, analyze and report data

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Practically learn the key concepts of physical chemistry
- Obtain, analyze and report data in a scientific way
- Understand the principles behind instrumentation and laboratory techniques
- Able to practice safe laboratory practices when handling chemicals, instruments and lab space



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GRADING POLICY	
Lab Performance	15 %
Lab Reports	40 %
Pre-lab Quizzes	20 % (Total 10 quizzes)
Final Quiz/Viva	25 %

EXAMINATION DETAIL	
Midterm Exam	No
Final Exam	No

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COURSE OVERVIEW				
Exp. No.	Experiment Title	Readings		
1	Characterization of nanoparticles using Powder X-ray Diffraction and Scanning Electron Microscopy	Lab Manual		
2	Determination of adsorption isotherms for the adsorption of acetic acid on activated charcoal	Lab Manual		
3	Determination of enthalpy of combustion using bomb calorimeter	Lab Manual		
4	Visible spectra of conjugated dyes – (Particle-in-a-box model)	Lab Manual		
5	Thermodynamics of Micellization of Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate (SDS)	Lab Manual		
6	Determination of Bandgaps using UV-vis Spectrophotometer and Use of Photocatalysts for Photodegradation of Organic Dyes under UV Irradiation	Lab Manual		
7	Phase diagram for a three-component system	Lab Manual		
8	Measurement of thermal transitions (glass transition temperature, crystallization temperature, and melting temperature) of polymer samples by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)	Lab Manual		
9	Study of reaction kinetics: Hydrolysis of ethyl acetate	Lab Manual		
10	Electrochemical investigation of Potassium Ferricyanide as a model redox system: A Cyclic Voltammetry (CV) study	Lab Manual		
11	Introduction to Photolithography	Lab Manual		
12	Determination of partial molar quantities	Lab Manual		
13	Colligative properties: Freezing point depression	Lab Manual		

Textbook(s)/Supplementary Readings

- 1. Experiments in Physical Chemistry" by Carl W. Garland, Joseph W. Nibler, and David P. Shoemaker (McGraw-Hill)
- 2. Experimental Physical Chemistry: A Laboratory Textbook by George McBane and Arthur Halpern (2006)