Class Meetings: This class is offered online. Additional asynchronous course content will be posted on the course Blackboard site. Synchronous class meetings will be held via Zoom on M-Th 9am-11:30am. Class will be held on Friday July 9, 9am-11:30am.

Instructor: Prof. Rebecca Broyer  
Office Hours: TBA  
Contact Info: rbroyer@usc.edu (preferred contact method)

Lab Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Moore  
Office Hours: See laboratory Blackboard site for times / meeting information  
Contact Info: moorejl@usc.edu

Course Coordinator: Dr. Xiaojun Zhang.  
Electronic Office Hours: email for appointment  
Contact Info: xiaojunz@usc.edu

Teaching assistant contact information and office hours times/location can be found on the course Blackboard site.

Course Objectives:  
This course will complete your fluency in the language of molecular structure and reactivity, culminating with a description of the molecular make-up of the cell. To get there, you will learn how to apply concepts of chemical bonding, structure, and reactivity that you have learned to new functional groups and mechanisms by reasoning with analogy and first principles. You will solidify your understanding by practicing problem solving strategies that you learn from instructors, peers, and yourself. At the end of this experience, successful students will achieve a definitive command of essential concepts of molecular structure and bonding. These include:

- The intrinsic electrophilicity of the carbonyl group, carbonyl addition reactions, and the structure of carbonyl derivatives.
- Enolization, aldol and Claisen reactions of enolates, and the rudiments of polyketide synthesis.
- The electronic structure and reactivity of aromatic compounds.
- The richly complex nature of amines and imines.
- The structure and behavior of simple carbohydrates.
- The molecular nature of proteins.
Prerequisite(s):

Chem 322A or Chem 325A or equivalent course

Required Materials

“Organic Chemistry” P.Y. Bruice, 8th edition
“Study Guide and Solutions Manual,” P.Y. Bruice
“Summer 2021 Chemistry 322bL Laboratory Manual”

A separate laboratory syllabus will be issued

Optional Materials

“Making the Connections 2,” Anne B. Padias, 2nd edition (for lab)

Description and Assessment of Assignments

Assignments in the course include quizzes, homework, reaction analysis assessments, video quizzes, in-class work and a final project

Grading Breakdown

Your course grade will be scaled to 1000 points. Your grade will be determined according to the following distribution:

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To receive a passing grade, satisfactory work must be done in both lab and the lecture portions of the course. You are encouraged to check your grades on Blackboard.

Gradescope: You must scan and upload your assessments to Gradescope. 
http://www.gradescope.com. You will be sent an invitation from the instructor of the course.
Grading Scale
Course final grades will be determined using the following scale:

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(A) An ‘A’ student not only understands the course material well but also can apply it creatively to new situations. The cutoff for an ‘A-’ will be no higher than 87%.

(B) A ‘B’ student has a good, solid understanding of the material but has trouble applying that knowledge to new situations. The cutoff for a “B-” will be no higher than 77%.

(C) A ‘C’ student has major gaps in understanding. The cutoff for a ‘C-’ will be no higher than 67%

(D or F) Still larger gaps lead to a ‘D’ or ‘F’ in the course. The cutoff for a ‘D-’ will be no higher than 57%

Course Notes
Lecture notes will be available Blackboard.

Office Hours
You are strongly encouraged to see any TA during their office hours, not just your own. Office hours (via Zoom) for all TAs will be posted on the class website.

Assignment Submission Policy
Quizzes, assignments and exams and summary sheets must be submitted by the stated deadlines. Late assignments will not be accepted.

Grading Timeline
Graded work will be available for review on Blackboard/Gradescope within 48 hours of the due date with the exception of the final project, which will take more time. You can view your grades at any time on the Blackboard site.

Additional Policies

Live Zoom Sessions
The class will meet 4 days a week (M-Th 9am-11:30am) for synchronous work. You are expected to attend and participate in the class and group breakout sessions. Time will be spent solving problems and asking any questions you have about the material.

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Quizzes

Quizzes and Surveys: Prior to live Zoom sessions, you will be asked to watch a few short videos and complete a related quiz (or quizzes) on Blackboard. These videos and their quizzes will help you assess your understanding of the material. Most videos are followed by a short quiz. These quizzes are graded on accuracy, with multiple attempts allowed. Your highest quiz score (before the deadline) is recorded. Your two lowest scores are dropped. You will not earn points for submitting answers after the deadline. Please carefully note all due dates and times (found in Blackboard). There are no make-ups and no late submissions. Occasionally surveys will be posted to the Blackboard site. These surveys will be graded on participation only—there are no right or wrong answers. Points will be awarded (as stated at the beginning of each survey) for completion of each question.

Summary Sheets
Submit a one-page summary sheet that synthesizes and integrates your understanding of the week’s material. For organic chemistry, this will most likely be the reactions and reagents you learn each week. Be sure your summary sheet is clear and readable. You will evaluate one other student’s summary sheet using the grading rubric.

Homework

Only by working problems will you be able to test your knowledge of the material and your skill in applying it. If you have difficulties with some of the problems, it usually means that your knowledge or ability to apply this knowledge is insufficient. In this case, restudy the material in your notes and your text. If that does not help, seek assistance from your instructor or TAs. These will be graded on completion.

It is recommended that students spend a total of 9 hours per week outside of class on Chem 322b-related work. Recommended end-of-chapter problems and additional practice problems will be posted on the course website. These items will not be graded, but students are expected to do them. Answers can be checked with posted answer keys, in the solutions manual, and in TA and instructor office hours.

Homework assignment and exams must be submitted by the stated deadlines. Late assignments will not be accepted.

In Class Work

Students will complete work assigned during class time, such as small group assignments, open-notes quizzes, and polls that count towards their in-class work grade. Credit will be given for thoughtful completion. In-class work may be assigned at any point during the class; students who miss the assignment due to arriving late or leaving early will not earn points. Poll everywhere will be used for in class clicker questions. In class poll questions are graded on participation alone. You will earn full credit for participation if you answer 85% of the questions presented throughout the semester. For students answering less than 85% of the questions, participation scores will be adjusted accordingly. This is to account for unexpected absences or technical difficulties. There are no make ups for any reason.

Exams

There will be three open book exams (see below). Exams will be 60 min 12pm-1pm on Mondays and will be proctored over Zoom. You will be required to keep your cameras on. These will test your understanding of the material covered in the class to that point. These assignments will be graded on accuracy. These must be your own individual effort—no consultation with others or the internet is allowed. You are allowed to use your notes and/or textbook. These assessments will be uploaded to Gradescope. None of your scores can be dropped. No make-ups will be given. In some circumstances, such as missed exam due to severe illness, religious observance, or some (essential) USC activities may be excused. We must know ahead of time and will need documentation (see Absences section below). In this case, the balance of the lecture score will be scaled to compensate for the missing grade. An unexcused missed exam will be counted as a zero. Students must
complete at least two of the three exams. If you cannot complete at least two of the exams, you will receive a score of zero for the second missed exam.

1: Monday July 12, 2021 12pm
2: Monday July 19, 2021 12pm
3: Monday July 26, 2021 12pm

Week Four Assignment

There will be one take home open three open book assignment. This will test your understanding of the material covered in the class after Exam 3. This assignment will be graded on accuracy. These must be your own individual effort—no consultation with others or the internet is allowed. You are allowed to use your notes and/or textbook. No make-ups will be given. In some circumstances, a missed assignment due to severe illness, religious observance, or some (essential) USC activities may be excused. We must know ahead of time and will need documentation (see Absences section below). In this case. The assignment will be due on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 12pm

Gradescope

You must scan and upload your exams to Gradescope. http://www.gradescope.com. You will be sent an invitation from the instructor of the course.

Classroom norms

Listen actively and attentively.
Be courteous. Don’t interrupt or engage in private conversations while others are speaking. Ask for clarification if you are confused.

Laboratory

Laboratory Orientation: A lab orientation video will be posted to the laboratory Blackboard site. You must watch the lab orientation in order to maintain your space in the lab and thus to remain in the course.

Lab Slides & Videos: Content for the labs will be posted to the laboratory Blackboard site.

Lab Scores: See Blackboard for lab scores (reports, prelab quizzes, etc.) and informational material.
**Lab Exam:** At the end of the summer session there will be a lab quiz covering material from lab throughout the session. Questions typically cover the procedure, safety issues, relevant chemical formulas and chemical equations, observations, calculations, mechanisms and data analysis.

**Laboratory Attendance:** *This is a laboratory course and attendance to all virtual lab periods is mandatory. No make-up labs can be given in this course.* Absences will be excused only for medical reasons or in the case of extreme necessity. For lab absences, email Dr. Moore (moorejl@usc.edu) as soon as possible in order to arrange a make-up lab or a make-up lab exam. You must arrive on time and prepared for lab. If you show up more than 10 minutes late, you will not be admitted to the lab session. Satisfactory completion of all labs and lab work is required to pass the class. Additional laboratory policies can be found in the lab syllabus.

**Late work:** Unless otherwise directed by Dr. Moore, all lab reports are due by 9pm on the following lab day. ALL assignments must be submitted by August 3rd. Assignments received more than 2 days late will receive a maximum score of up to 5 points for the pre-lab assignment. The rest of the report will be evaluated as Pass or No Pass. Post-lab assignments will be submitted through the Chem 322b Lab Blackboard page. Please review your TA’s feedback promptly. Regrades on laboratory reports must be requested within one week of when the lab report is graded.

**Final Project**

At the end of the semester you will be asked to construct a poster. You must research and present an organic molecule that is either a cure or a poison. (You may also propose your own topic of interest with an approval by Prof. Broyer) You must show structure, identify relevant pharmacophores, talk about history, synthesis and isolation methods, mechanism of action, discovery, side effects/antidotes. Your poster should also include a label for each step in the synthesis (substitution, elimination, etc.) A mechanism should also be provided for at least one step of the synthesis. Detailed instructions will be given around Week 2. Your poster will be graded on accuracy, completion, visual presentation, focus, organization, references, and style. This presentation is worth 15% of your overall grade in the course, with 1.5% of this based on completion of peer evaluation. Final drafts are due for peer evaluation by 5pm Friday, August 6. Your final product is due no later than 9am on Monday, August 9.

**Academic Integrity**

All work submitted in this course must be your original work. You may not use outside sources for answers to assignments (for example, pre-lab questions, lab reports, quiz questions, homework assignments, etc.). While you may collaborate with others on laboratory work and homework assignments, work must be in your own words and reflect your good-faith efforts. It is never acceptable to use outside “tutors” or others to furnish answers for you (for example, you may not consult Chegg.com, reddit, CourseHero, etc.). Please familiarize yourself with the discussion of plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty in SCampus in Part B, Section 11, “Behavior Violating University Standards” policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b. See additional information in SCampus and university policies on scientific misconduct, policy.usc.edu/scientific-misconduct. The posting of course materials (including Zoom recordings, quiz questions or answers, workbook content, lab reports or quizzes, or any other course-related content) to ANY internet site is strictly prohibited. Seeking outside help during quizzes is a violation of the USC Honor Code. Posting of course material is a violation of US copyright law and the USC Student Conduct Code.

**Course evaluation**

Students will submit confidential course evaluations. More information will be provided in lecture.

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Tentative Lecture Schedule 2021

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Your final Project is due no later than 9am on Monday, August 9.

Statement on Academic Conduct and Support Systems

Academic Conduct:

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Support Systems:

Counseling and Mental Health - (213) 740-9355 – 24/7 on call studenthealth.usc.edu/counseling
Free and confidential mental health treatment for students, including short-term psychotherapy, group counseling, stress fitness workshops, and crisis intervention.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline - 1 (800) 273-8255 – 24/7 on call suicidepreventionlifeline.org

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Free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP)** - (213) 740-9355(WELL), press “0” after hours – 24/7 on call [studenthealth.usc.edu/sexual-assault](http://studenthealth.usc.edu/sexual-assault)

Free and confidential therapy services, workshops, and training for situations related to gender-based harm.

**Office of Equity and Diversity (OED)** - (213) 740-5086 | **Title IX** – (213) 821-8298
[equity.usc.edu](http://equity.usc.edu), [titleix.usc.edu](http://titleix.usc.edu)

Information about how to get help or help someone affected by harassment or discrimination, rights of protected classes, reporting options, and additional resources for students, faculty, staff, visitors, and applicants. The university prohibits discrimination or harassment based on the following *protected characteristics*: race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, physical disability, medical condition, mental disability, marital status, pregnancy, veteran status, genetic information, and any other characteristic which may be specified in applicable laws and governmental regulations. The university also prohibits sexual assault, non-consensual sexual contact, sexual misconduct, intimate partner violence, stalking, malicious dissuasion, retaliation, and violation of interim measures.

**Reporting Incidents of Bias or Harassment** - (213) 740-5086 or (213) 821-8298
[usc-advocate.symplicity.com/care_report](http://usc-advocate.symplicity.com/care_report)

Avenue to report incidents of bias, hate crimes, and microaggressions to the Office of Equity and Diversity | Title IX for appropriate investigation, supportive measures, and response.

**The Office of Disability Services and Programs** - (213) 740-0776
[dsn.usc.edu](http://dsn.usc.edu)

Support and accommodations for students with disabilities. Services include assistance in providing readers/notetakers/interpreters, special accommodations for test taking needs, assistance with architectural barriers, assistive technology, and support for individual needs.

**USC Campus Support and Intervention** - (213) 821-4710
[campussupport.usc.edu](http://campussupport.usc.edu)

Assists students and families in resolving complex personal, financial, and academic issues adversely affecting their success as a student.

**Diversity at USC** - (213) 740-2101
[diversity.usc.edu](http://diversity.usc.edu)

Information on events, programs and training, the Provost’s Diversity and Inclusion Council, Diversity Liaisons for each academic school, chronology, participation, and various resources for students.

**USC Emergency - UPC**: (213) 740-4321, **HSC**: (323) 442-1000 – 24/7 on call
[dps.usc.edu](http://dps.usc.edu), [emergency.usc.edu](http://emergency.usc.edu)

Emergency assistance and avenue to report a crime. Latest updates regarding safety, including ways in which instruction will be continued if an officially declared emergency makes travel to campus infeasible.

**USC Department of Public Safety - UPC**: (213) 740-6000, **HSC**: (323) 442-120 – 24/7 on call
[dps.usc.edu](http://dps.usc.edu)

Non-emergency assistance or information.

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