

# ALEKS<sup>®</sup> Course Syllabus

<b>Course Name:</b> CHEM 1311 Fall 2015	<b>Course Code:</b> N/A
<b>ALEKS Course:</b> General Chemistry (First Semester)	<b>Instructor:</b> Master Templates
<b>Course Dates:</b> Begin: 08/21/2015 End: 12/31/2015	<b>Course Content:</b> 229 topics
<b>Textbook:</b> Burdge et al.: Chemistry: Atoms First, 2nd Ed. (McGraw-Hill) - ALEKS 360	

Dates	Objective
08/22/2015 - 08/28/2015 12:01 AM - 11:59 PM	1. Pre-Assignment (69 topics)
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**Pre-Assignment** (69 topics, due on 08/28/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 0.1* (16 topics)

- Integer multiplication and division
- Simplifying a fraction
- Equivalent fractions
- Evaluating expressions with exponents: Problem type 1
- Ordering numbers with positive exponents
- Signed fraction addition or subtraction: Basic
- Signed fraction multiplication: Basic
- Signed fraction division
- Introduction to inequalities
- Writing expressions using exponents
- Introduction to exponents
- Introduction to order of operations
- Evaluating expressions with exponents of zero
- Evaluating an expression with a negative exponent: Whole number base
- Evaluating an expression with a negative exponent: Positive fraction base
- Complex fraction without variables: Problem type 1

*Section 0.2* (23 topics)

- Introduction to the product rule of exponents
- Evaluating a quadratic expression: Integers
- Distributive property: Integer coefficients
- Combining like terms: Integer coefficients
- Algebraic symbol manipulation
- Multiplying rational expressions involving multivariate monomials
- Combining like terms in a quadratic expression
- Using distribution and combining like terms to simplify: Univariate
- Product rule with positive exponents: Univariate
- Introduction to the product rule with negative exponents
- Introduction to the quotient rule of exponents
- Simplifying a ratio of univariate monomials
- Quotient rule with negative exponents: Problem type 1
- Introduction to the power of a product rule of exponents
- Power and quotient rules with positive exponents
- Rewriting an algebraic expression without a negative exponent
- Additive property of equality with integers
- Additive property of equality with a negative coefficient
- Multiplicative property of equality with signed fractions
- Solving a multi-step equation given in fractional form
- Solving a rational equation that simplifies to linear: Denominator  $x+a$
- Solving a proportion of the form  $a/(x+b) = c/x$
- Solving for a variable in terms of other variables using addition or subtraction with division

*Section 0.5* (6 topics)

- Multiplication of a decimal by a power of ten
- Division of a decimal by a power of ten
- Converting between decimal numbers and numbers written in scientific notation
- Multiplying and dividing numbers written in scientific notation
- Calculating positive powers of scientific notation
- Finding negative powers of scientific notation

*Section 0.6* (1 topic)

- Understanding that opposite charges attract and like charges repel

*Section 1.2* (1 topic)

- Distinguishing solid, liquid and gas phases of a pure substance

*Section 1.4* (11 topics)

- Knowing the dimension of common simple SI units
- Understanding the purpose of SI prefixes

- Knowing the value of an SI prefix as a power of 10
- Interconversion of prefixed and base SI units
- Interconversion of prefixed SI units
- Interconverting temperatures in Celsius and Kelvins
- Interconverting temperatures in Celsius and Fahrenheit
- Simplifying unit expressions
- Estimating the volume in liters of a square prism object
- Calculating mass density
- Using mass density to find mass or volume

*Section 1.5* (5 topics)

- Counting significant digits
- Rounding to a given significant digit
- Counting significant digits when measurements are added or subtracted
- Counting significant digits when measurements are multiplied or divided
- Adding or subtracting and multiplying or dividing measurements

*Section 1.6* (3 topics)

- Interconverting compound SI units
- Addition and subtraction of measurements
- Multiplication and division of measurements

*Section 5.1* (3 topics)

- Distinguishing elements and compounds
- Distinguishing compounds and mixtures
- Distinguishing chemical and physical change

**Chapter 2** (11 topics, due on 09/04/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 2.1* (1 topic)

- Names and symbols of important elements

*Section 2.2* (1 topic)

- Identifying the parts of an atom

*Section 2.3* (4 topics)

- Reading a Periodic Table entry
- Counting the number of protons and electrons in a neutral atom
- Isotopes
- Interpreting the symbol for a nuclide

*Section 2.5* (1 topic)

- Finding atomic mass from isotope mass and natural abundance

*Section 2.6* (2 topics)

- Understanding periods and groups of the Periodic Table
- Organization of the Periodic Table

*Section 2.7* (2 topics)

- Using the Avogadro Number
- Calculating and using the molar mass of elements

**Chapter 3 - Part I** (12 topics, due on 09/10/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 3.1* (1 topic)

- Understanding how electrostatic energy scales with charge and separation

*Section 3.2* (1 topic)

- Interconverting the wavelength and frequency of electromagnetic radiation

*Section 3.3* (1 topic)

- Interconverting wavelength, frequency and photon energy

*Section 3.4* (3 topics)

- Calculating the wavelength of a spectral line from an energy diagram
- Predicting the qualitative features of a line spectrum
- Calculating the wavelength of a line in the spectrum of hydrogen

*Section 3.7* (2 topics)

- Deducing the allowed quantum numbers of an atomic electron
- Knowing the subshells of an electron shell

*Section 3.8* (4 topics)

- Interpreting the radial probability distribution of an orbital
- Interpreting the angular probability distribution of an orbital
- Recognizing s and p orbitals
- Deciding the relative energy of electron subshells

**Chapter 3 - Part II** (9 topics, due on 09/15/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 3.9* (6 topics)

- Drawing a box diagram of the electron configuration of an atom
- Calculating the capacity of electron subshells
- Interpreting the electron configuration of a neutral atom
- Interpreting the electron configuration of a neutral atom in noble-gas notation
- Writing the electron configuration of a neutral atom with s and p electrons only
- Writing the electron configuration of a neutral atom with a filled d subshell

*Section 3.10* (3 topics)

- Writing the electron configuration of an atom using the Periodic Table
- Identifying quantum mechanics errors in electron configurations
- Identifying s, p, d and f block elements

**Chapter 4 - Part I** (7 topics, due on 09/18/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 4.2* (4 topics)

- Counting valence electrons in a neutral atom
- Counting the electron shells in a neutral atom
- Identifying elements with a similar valence electron configuration
- Deducing the block of an element from an electron configuration

*Section 4.4* (3 topics)

- Counting protons and electrons in atoms and atomic ions
- Predicting the relative ionization energy of elements
- Deducing valence electron configuration from trends in successive ionization energies

**Chapter 4 - Part II** (7 topics, due on 09/20/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 4.5* (6 topics)

- Finding isoelectronic atoms
- Predicting the ions formed by common main-group elements
- Counting valence electrons in an atomic ion
- Interpreting the electron configuration of an atom or atomic ion
- Writing the electron configuration of an atom or atomic ion with s and p electrons only
- Identifying the electron added or removed to form an ion from an s or p block atom

*Section 4.6* (1 topic)

- Understanding periodic trends in atomic size

**Chapter 5 and 6** (39 topics, due on 10/12/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 5.2* (1 topic)

- Drawing the Lewis dot diagram of a main group atom or common atomic ion

*Section 5.3* (1 topic)

- Counting the number of atoms in a formula unit

*Section 5.4* (3 topics)

- Predicting the formula of binary ionic compounds
- Naming binary ionic compounds
- Deducing the ions in a binary ionic compound from its empirical formula

*Section 5.5* (4 topics)

- Writing a chemical formula given a molecular model
- Writing a chemical formula given a chemical structure
- Understanding the prefixes used in naming binary compounds
- Predicting whether a compound is ionic or molecular

*Section 5.6* (1 topic)

- Naming binary covalent compounds

*Section 5.7* (8 topics)

- Identifying common polyatomic ions
- Predicting the formula of ionic compounds with common polyatomic ions
- Naming ionic compounds with common polyatomic ions
- Deducing the ions in a polyatomic ionic compound from its empirical formula
- Identifying oxoanions
- Naming ionic compounds with common oxoanions
- Naming inorganic acids
- Deducing the formulae of inorganic acids from their names

*Section 5.9* (1 topic)

- Finding mass percent from chemical formulae

*Section 5.10* (5 topics)

- Calculating and using the molar mass of diatomic elements
- Calculating and using the molar mass of heterodiatomous compounds
- Finding molar mass from chemical formulae
- Elemental analysis
- Finding a molecular formula from molar mass and elemental analysis

*Section 6.1* (6 topics)

- Counting bonding and nonbonding electron pairs in a Lewis structure
- Counting electron pairs in a Lewis structure with double or triple bonds
- Counting valence electrons in a molecule or polyatomic ion
- Deciding whether a Lewis structure satisfies the octet rule
- Writing Lewis structures for diatomic molecules
- Predicting the relative length and energy of chemical bonds

*Section 6.2* (2 topics)

- Predicting the relative electronegativities of atoms
- Predicting bond polarity

*Section 6.3* (3 topics)

- Predicting the single-bonded molecular compounds formed by two elements
- Writing Lewis structures for a molecule with one central atom and no octet-rule exceptions
- Drawing Lewis structures for simple organic compounds

*Section 6.4* (1 topic)

- Calculating formal charge

*Section 6.5* (1 topic)

- Writing the Lewis structures for a molecule with resonance

*Section 6.6* (2 topics)

- Recognizing exceptions to the octet rule
- Writing Lewis structures for an expanded valence shell central atom

**Chapter 7** (12 topics, due on 10/18/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 7.1* (5 topics)

- Predicting and naming the shape of molecules with a central atom
- Naming the shape of molecules with one central atom and no octet-rule exceptions
- Predicting bond angles in molecules with one central atom and no octet-rule exceptions
- Predicting the arrangement of electron groups around the central atom of a molecule
- Predicting deviations from ideal bond angles

*Section 7.2* (1 topic)

- Predicting whether molecules are polar or nonpolar

*Section 7.3* (3 topics)

- Identifying hydrogen-bonding interactions between molecules
- Identifying the important intermolecular forces in pure compounds
- Predicting the relative strength of the dispersion force between molecules

*Section 7.5* (2 topics)

- Identifying hybridization in a small molecule
- Identifying carbon hybridization in simple organic molecules

*Section 7.6* (1 topic)

- Counting sigma and pi bonds in a small molecule

**Chapter 8** (8 topics, due on 10/29/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 8.1* (3 topics)

- Writing a chemical equation from a description of the reaction
- Balancing chemical equations with noninterfering coefficients
- Balancing chemical equations with interfering coefficients

*Section 8.3* (1 topic)

- Solving for a reactant using a chemical equation

*Section 8.4* (4 topics)

- Identifying the limiting reactant in a drawing of a mixture
- Limiting reactants
- Theoretical yield of chemical reactions
- Percent yield of chemical reactions

**Chapter 9 - Part I** (15 topics, due on 11/04/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 9.1* (2 topics)

- Predicting the products of dissolution
- Identifying acids and bases by their chemical formula

*Section 9.2* (2 topics)

- Writing net ionic equations
- Predicting precipitation

*Section 9.3* (6 topics)

- Predicting the products of a neutralization reaction
- Identifying acids and bases by their reaction with water
- Understanding the difference between strong and weak acids
- Identifying Bronsted-Lowry acids and bases
- Predicting the products of the reaction of a strong acid with water
- Recognizing common acids and bases

*Section 9.4* (5 topics)

- Assigning oxidation numbers
- Recognizing reduction and oxidation
- Identifying oxidizing and reducing agents
- Identifying oxidized and reduced reactants in a metal-nonmetal reaction
- Identifying oxidized and reduced reactants in a single-displacement reaction

**Chapter 9 - Part II** (10 topics, due on 11/08/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 9.5* (6 topics)

- Calculating molarity using solute moles
- Using molarity to find solute moles and solution volume
- Calculating molarity using solute mass
- Using molarity to find solute mass and solution volume
- Dilution
- Solving for a reactant in solution

*Section 9.6* (4 topics)

- Solving limiting reactant problems in solution
- Determining the volume of base needed to titrate a given mass of acid
- Determining the molar mass of an acid by titration
- Standardizing a base solution by titration

**Chapter 10** (10 topics, due on 11/18/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 10.3* (3 topics)

- Understanding the definition of enthalpy
- Using the general properties of reaction enthalpy
- Calculating the heat of reaction from molar reaction enthalpy and the mass of a reactant

*Section 10.4* (3 topics)

- Calculating specific heat capacity
- Using specific heat capacity to find heat
- Using specific heat capacity to find temperature change

*Section 10.5* (1 topic)

- Using Hess's Law to calculate net reaction enthalpy

*Section 10.6* (2 topics)

- Writing a standard formation reaction
- Calculating a molar heat of reaction from formation enthalpies

*Section 10.7* (1 topic)

- Calculating the heat of reaction from bond energies

**Chapter 11** (13 topics, due on 12/02/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 11.2* (3 topics)

- Interpreting a graph of molecular speed distribution
- Predicting how molecular speed distribution changes with temperature and molar mass
- Using relative effusion rates to find an unknown molar mass

*Section 11.3* (2 topics)

- Interconverting atmospheres and kilopascals

- Interconverting atmospheres and torr

*Section 11.4* (3 topics)

- Understanding Boyle's Law
- Solving applications of Boyle's Law
- Using Charles's Law

*Section 11.5* (2 topics)

- Using the ideal equation of state
- Interconverting molar mass and density of ideal gases

*Section 11.7* (2 topics)

- Calculating mole fraction in a gas mixture
- Calculating partial pressure in a gas mixture

*Section 11.8* (1 topic)

- Solving for a gaseous reactant

**Chapter 12 - Part I** (4 topics, due on 12/06/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 12.2* (1 topic)

- Relating vapor pressure to vaporization

*Section 12.4* (1 topic)

- Predicting the type of solid formed by a compound

*Section 12.5* (2 topics)

- Identifying phase transitions on a heating curve
- Interpreting a heating curve

**Chapter 12 - Part II** (3 topics, due on 12/09/2015 11:59 PM)

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*Section 12.6* (3 topics)

- Using a phase diagram to predict phase at a given temperature and pressure
- Labeling a typical simple phase diagram
- Using a phase diagram to find a phase transition temperature or pressure