

CHEM 3130-1: Chemical Systems III (Physical Biochemistry)

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Class hours: MWF 11:00 am — 11:50 am in Olin Hall 103

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Objectives: 1) To develop an understanding of the physical properties of biological macromolecules.
2) To comprehend modern methods for analyzing macromolecular structure.

Grading: Exams 1-3 (25% each), presentation (25%).

Text: *Principles of Physical Biochemistry* (2nd ed)
by Van Holde, Johnson, & Ho (2006)

Original papers will be posted on blackboard.

Additional useful books (not required):

Physical Chemistry, Principles and Applications in Biological Sciences by Tinoco, Sauer, Wang & Puglisi (2002)

Physical Biochemistry: Principles and Applications by David Sheehan (2009)

Principles of Fluorescence Spectroscopy by Joseph R. Lakowicz (2006)

Crystallography Made Crystal Clear by Gale Rhodes (2006)

Biomolecular Crystallography by Bernhard Rupp (2010)

NMR Spectroscopy Explained by Neil E. Jacobsen (2007)

NMR of Proteins and Nucleic Acids by Kurt Wüthrich (1986)

Nucleic Acids by Bloomfield, Crowthers & Tinoco (2000)

Principles of Nucleic Acid Structure by Wolfram Saenger (1983)

The Physics of Proteins by Hans Frauenfelder (2010)

Protein Physics by Finkelstein & Ptitsyn (2002)

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Dates	Topics Covered	Reading Chapters
03/23/15	Proteins	1
03/25/15	Nucleic Acids	1
03/27/15	No class	
03/30/15	Calorimetry DSC and ITC	2
04/01/15	Separation and Characterization of Macromolecules	5
04/03/15	"	5
04/06/15	X-ray Crystallography	6
04/08/15	"	6
04/10/15	"	6
04/13/15	"	6
04/15/15	Other Scattering and Diffraction Techniques	7
04/17/15	EXAM 1: 03/23/15 - 04/13/15, 11:00 am – 11:50 am	
04/20/15	Absorption Spectroscopy	9
04/22/15	CD Spectroscopy	10
04/24/15	Fluorescence Spectroscopy	11
04/27/15	"	11
04/29/15	"	11
05/01/15	NMR Spectroscopy	12
05/04/15	"	12
05/06/15	"	12
05/08/15	Electron Paramagnetic Resonance Spectroscopy	
05/11/15	"	
05/13/15	EXAM 2: 04/17/15 – 05/08/15, 11:00 am – 11:50 am	
05/15/15	Mass Spectrometry 11:00 am – 12:50 am	15
05/18/15	Single Molecule Methods	16
05/20/15	Single Molecule Methods	16
05/22/15	Presentations 11:00 am – 12:50 am	
06/03/15	EXAM 3: comprehensive 10:00 am – 11:50 am	