

## Chemistry 60 Hybrid (Section 25783)

Chemistry 68 is an Introductory Chemistry class meant to prepare students for General Chemistry (Chem 101) or serve as a science lab class that transfers to both the California State University and University of California systems. This course, like a face to face Chem 60 or Chem 68, covers the topics covered in introductory chemistry classes offered at many high schools as an Advanced Chemistry class or at most colleges and universities as an introductory chemistry class. Should you have any questions about the suitability of this class you should speak to a counselor here at LAVC or at the school to which you plan to transfer.

This hybrid class is an OER and Zero Cost Textbook class. The text is available on the Canvas site and the lab manual used by all of our Chem 68 lab sections is available at our departmental website. The only required equipment is a calculator.

[http://lavc.edu/chemistry/docs/Lab-Manuals/Chemistry\\_68\\_lab-manual.aspx](http://lavc.edu/chemistry/docs/Lab-Manuals/Chemistry_68_lab-manual.aspx)

You will meet in the laboratory weekly for a two hour lab meeting and a two hour discussion period scheduled according to which lab section in which you enroll. When you enroll in a lab/discussion section, you are automatically added to the lecture. You must find room in a lab section, however, to enroll in the lecture. If all lab sections are full, please attend the first meeting of the lab to see if the instructor can find room for you. If you have the opportunity to add your name to the waitlist you should do that because students are added automatically from the waitlist if a previously enrolled student drops. You might also periodically check the online schedule on the LAVC website—if an enrolled student drops, you can take the open space provided nobody is on the waitlist.

If you are not too familiar with the Canvas site there are many useful tutorials available at the Virtual Valley website. <http://lavc.edu/virtualvalley/index.html>

When you are registered, Canvas will send you an invitation to join the class. The Canvas site will open several days before the start of classes. You will be able to message me on the site or you can email me at my LAVC email ([fickelte@lavc.edu](mailto:fickelte@lavc.edu)) If you are registered but cannot open the Canvas website several days before classes start, contact Admissions or the Virtual Valley help desk.

I think you will find the course rewarding once you become familiar with Canvas. You will only be required to be on campus four hours a week for the laboratory and discussion sessions but you must keep up with the course work as we proceed through the modules, quizzes and discussion posts. The key to success is to keep up with your assignments and the work presented in the modules. The course requires you to take responsibility for yourself—keeping up to date on your due dates and spending time each week reading the text and practicing the problems presented to you in the modules. The advantage of this hybrid course is that you can do your work on your own time and direct your efforts to the topics you find the most difficult. I am always available to answer questions and your lab instructor will always be willing to help also.

I look forward to seeing all of you online soon!