

**CHEM 695, FALL 2017  
CHEMISTRY SEMINAR II**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**Course Goals:**

The goal of this course is to help students to develop advanced skills needed to successfully transition to a professional chemist, and to outline the challenges and opportunities on this path.

**Lectures and Discussions:**

The lectures will be held on *Tuesdays* in 2048 Malott 11:00-12:15 pm.

*Attendance and active participation is required*, will be monitored and constitute a part of your grade.

**Blackboard:**

Important announcements and information about topics and preparation for the upcoming lectures and assigned reading will be posted on the course website in *Blackboard* at <http://courseware.ku.edu>.

*Make sure to look up the announcements and current postings prior to each class!*

For help with accessing the course site contact the ACS Help Center at 864-0200 or call IDS at 864-2600.

**Assigned Reading, Resume, Assignment and Attendance:**

Most weeks there will be *assigned reading posted in the Blackboard*. The reading assignment must be completed before the start of the next class period.

**Written assignment:** You will be expected to complete one written assignment for the semester. The *text and a due date* of the written assignment based on the assigned reading for one or more of the class periods will be posted in the *Blackboard* during the course of the semester. You will be alerted to this posting during the class period, but it is your responsibility to follow the Blackboard and complete the assignment by the requested due date.

Attendance is required and will be monitored. You must achieve *100% of the attendance points* to pass the class. In case of an emergency event, make sure to have an official documentation for your absence and contact the instructor immediately!

**Resume.** Following the class on resume preparation, you will prepare your current updated resume and submit it as an assignment for this class. The resume must be submitted in a hard copy before **October 10**.

**Marking:**

Attendance : 100% attendance is required

Resume	50 pts
Written Assignment (follow Blackboard!)	50 pts
TOTAL	100 pts

Letter grades will be assigned on the basis of total accumulated points relative to the maximum of 100 pts. In no case will a person receive a letter grade lower than would be obtained based on the traditional A>90, B>80, C>70, etc. scheme.

**Lecture Topics**

August 22: Introductions; Department of Chemistry at KU: Scheduling and Advising and Graduation Questions

August 29: Academic and Professional Ethics for Chemists (Prof. Helena Malinakova)

September 05: Meeting with Faculty to Learn about Research

September 12: Methods for Literature Searches (Prof. Misha Barybin)

September 19: Careers in Chemistry Panel

September 26: Meeting with Faculty to Learn about Research

October 03: Writing a Resume/Course Scheduling/Advising Questions  
(Prof. David Weis)

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