

**Murrieta Valley Unified School District**  
**High School Course Outline**  
**April 2013**

**Department:** Science

**Course Title:** Advanced Placement Chemistry

**Course Number:** 3528

**Grade Level:** 11-12

**Length of Course:** Year

**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of Chemistry with a grade of “B” or better, successful completion of Algebra II with a grade of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment or completion of Pre-Calculus.

**UC/CSU (A-G) Requirement:** D

**I. Goals**

The student will :

- A. Apply the principles of measurement uncertainty in all problem solving and laboratory tasks
- B. Understand the structure of the atom including the Bohr Model and the Quantum Mechanical Model (*Chemistry 1a, 1h-j*)
- C. Understand the structure of the periodic table and relate the position of an element to its physical and chemical properties (*Chemistry 1b-g*)
- D. Understand types of chemical reactions including precipitation, acid-base, and oxidation-reduction reaction and perform stoichiometric analysis of these reactions both on a theoretical and experimental level (*Chemistry 3a-g, 5a-g*)
- E. Utilize the kinetic molecular theory as a basis of understanding the properties of matter including gas behavior and the characteristics of solids and liquids (*Chemistry 2d, 2h, 4a-I*)
- F. Understand the properties of solutions, characterize the factors affecting solubility, and be able to quantitatively describe the composition of a solution (*Chemistry 6a-f*)

- G. Demonstrate an understanding of the factors that affect chemical equilibria and chemical kinetics (*Chemistry 7a-f, 8a-d, 9a-c*)
- H. Understand chemical bonds and use models to represent the various types (*Chemistry 2a-c, 2e-g*)
- I. Characterize the properties of the atomic nucleus in terms of nuclear stability and radioactive decay (*Chemistry 11a-g*)

## II. Outline of Content for Major Areas of Study

### Semester 1

- A. Uncertainty in Scientific Measurement
  - 1. Units of Measurement
  - 2. Accuracy and Precision
  - 3. Dimensional Analysis
- B. Introduction to Atomic Structure
  - 1. Fundamental Chemical Laws
  - 2. Dalton's Atomic Theory
  - 3. Experiments to characterize atomic composition
  - 4. Characteristics of subatomic particles
- C. Introduction to the Periodic Table
  - 1. Structure of the periodic table: periods, groups, metals, nonmetal, etc.
  - 2. Atomic number and periodic table position
- D. Basic Nomenclature
  - 1. Atoms and ions
  - 2. Naming and formula writing for binary molecular and ionic compounds
- E. Stoichiometry
  - 1. Average atomic mass determination
  - 2. The mole and molar mass
  - 3. Percent composition of compounds
  - 4. Determining empirical and molecular formulas
  - 5. Writing balanced chemical equations
  - 6. Stoichiometric conversions between reactants and products including limiting reagent, excess reagent and percent yield determination

- F. Types of Chemical Reactions
  - 1. Aqueous solutions: types and composition
  - 2. Precipitation reactions
  - 3. Acid-Base reactions
  - 4. Oxidation-Reduction Reactions
  
- G. Gas Behavior
  - 1. Pressure
  - 2. The gas laws of Boyle, Charles, Avogadro, and Dalton
  - 3. Stoichiometry of gases
  - 4. Kinetic molecular theory of gases
  - 5. Effusion vs. diffusion
  - 6. Real vs. ideal gases
  
- H. Thermochemistry
  - 1. Chemical energy
  - 2. Calorimetry
  - 3. Hess' Law
  - 4. Entropy
  - 5. Free Energy and equilibrium
  
- I. Modern Atomic Theory
  - 1. Electromagnetic Radiation
  - 2. The duality of light and matter
  - 3. The Bohr Model
  - 4. Atomic spectra
  - 5. Quantum Mechanical Model
  - 6. Pauli exclusion principle, Aufbau principle and Hund's rule
  - 7. History of the development of the periodic table
  - 8. Periodic trends in atomic properties
  
- J. Chemical Bonding
  - 1. Electronegativity and bond types
  - 2. Ionic bond formation
  - 3. Covalent bond characteristics
  - 4. Lewis structures including resonance
  - 5. VSEPR model

## Semester II

- A. Liquids and Solids
  - 1. Intermolecular forces
  - 2. The liquid state
  - 3. Types of solids
  - 4. Metallic bonding
  - 5. Molecular vs. ionic solids
  - 6. Phase diagrams

- B. Solutions
  - 1. Composition of solutions
  - 2. Factors affecting solubility
  - 3. Colligative properties
- C. Chemical Kinetics
  - 1. Reaction rates
  - 2. Rate laws
  - 3. Reaction mechanisms
  - 4. Catalysis
- D. Chemical Equilibrium
  - 1. Characteristics of chemical equilibrium
  - 2. The equilibrium constant
  - 3. Le Chatelier's Principle
- E. Acids and Bases
  - 1. Characteristics of acids and bases
  - 2. pH scale
  - 3. Strength of acids and bases
  - 4. Buffered solutions
  - 5. Titration
  - 6. Acid-base indicators
  - 7. Solubility product
- F. Electrochemistry
  - 1. Galvanic cells
  - 2. Standard reduction potential
  - 3. Faraday's Law
  - 4. The Nernst Equation
  - 5. Equilibrium constants for Redox reactions
- G. Nuclear Chemistry
  - 1. Radioactive decay
  - 2. Nuclear transformations
  - 3. Nuclear fission and fusion
- H. Introduction to Organic Chemistry
  - 1. Structure of hydrocarbons
  - 2. Functional groups
  - 3. Nomenclature

### III. **Accountability Determinants**

- A. Daily work assessments

B. Performance based laboratory assignments and notebook

C. Individual performance quizzes and exams

**IV. AP Exam Requirement**

Students attempting to receive college credit for Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses are required to pass a College Board exam which validates coursework. This exam **is not a requirement** for District High School credit, grade increases, or extra credit.

Student fees are allowable for Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Diploma examinations **for college credit**, so long as (1) taking the exam is not a course requirement; (2) the exam results have no impact on a pupil's grade or credit in a course; and (3) eligible economically disadvantaged high school pupils who receive school district funding towards the exam fee shall pay \$5.00 of the fee. (EC sections 52240-52244; 52920-52922.)

**V. Required Text**

Zumdahl, Steven S., and Zumdahl, Susan A. *Chemistry*, 6th Edition, Lexington, Massachusetts: D.C. Heath and Company., 2003.