



General Documents



Clickers - Pad's Assigned to Each Student

Click here to see the 4-page pdf file that lists Clicker Pad #'s for each student. (85.971 Kb)

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David Klein's "How to Study"

David Klein's "How to Study" (96.13 Kb)

This is short, extremely well written and exactly on target.



Listing of pKa's



Academic Resource Center -- Resources!

The Academic Resource Center (ARC) offers a number of services to undergraduate students throughout the University community, such as tutoring, study groups, and skills building workshops that help undergraduates meet the rigors of college life. See www.pitt.edu/~arc



The Orgo Answer Key

The Orgo Answer Key (2 page pdf file). (88.259 Kb)



Pitt's Final Exam Schedule



Pitt's Policy for 3 or more finals on one day



Arts & Sciences Grading Options

Memo from the Dean describing grading options (2 page pdf file). (17.875 Kb)



Exam Regrade Form

Exam Regrade Form, Fall 2010 (pdf format) (12.635 Kb)



Orgo I Concepts Needed for Orgo II

Prof. Floreancig's List of Chem 0310 Concepts Needed for Chem 0320 (89.629 Kb)

Prof. Floreancig who taught Chem 0320 in Fall 2008 has compiled a list of Concepts covered in Organic Chemistry I (Chem 0310) that he expects his students to already have mastered on the first day of Chem 0320. If you are planning on taking Chem 0320 at Pitt, this list can help you to plan for success in Organic II.



Michigan State's Virtual Textbook of Organic Chemistry

This is a freely accessed Organic Chemistry Virtual Text. The problems are of great value to any orgo student.



Daley & Daley, Organic Chemistry (an on-line, free, textbook)

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After the Lecture



Some Hints on Drawing Mechanisms

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Ockham's Razor and Chemistry

"It holds that the simplest, most parsimonious explanation for a phenomenon is likely to be the correct one." *William of Occam*, English philosopher (1290-1349). Known as "Occam's Razor", a modern version of this principle of logic might be: "The simpler, the better." This philosophy works extremely well for all aspects of investigative science. Read more about Occam's Razor by visiting http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Occam's_Razor.



Some Details on Nucs, LG, and Acids

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