

# **RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC COURSE OUTLINE**

## **CHEM 104 – GENERAL CHEMISTRY II**

### **I. Basic Course Information**

A. Course Number and Title: CHEM 104 – General Chemistry II

B. New or Modified Course: Modified Course

C. Date of Proposal: Semester: Fall Year: 2024

**D. Effective Term: Fall 2025**

E. Sponsoring Department: Science and Engineering

F. Semester Credit Hours: 4

G. Weekly Contact Hours: 6                      Lecture: 3  
   Laboratory: 3  
   Out of class student work per week: 7.5

H. ☒ Prerequisite (s): General Chemistry I (CHEM- 103) and Precalculus I (MATH-112)

☐ Corequisite (s):

I. Additional Fees: None

### **II. Catalog Description**

Prerequisite: CHEM 103 General Chemistry I and MATH 112 Precalculus I. This course is a continuation of General Chemistry I. Emphasis is placed on kinetics, equilibrium behavior, thermodynamics, acids and bases, solubility equilibria, and electrochemistry.

### **III. Statement of Course Need**

- A. It is required in the Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Pharmacy track options of the Science and Mathematics Associate of Science degree program, General Science and the Engineering Science Program.
- B. The course has a lab component to provide students with additional learning opportunities by using hands-on experimentation
- C. This course generally transfers as a chemistry program requirement and/or free elective and/or general education course dependent upon transfer institution.

#### **IV. Place of Course in College Curriculum**

- A. Free Elective
- B. This course serves as a General Education course in Science with Lab.
- C. This course meets a program requirement in the Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Engineering, and Environmental Science AS programs. It serves as a program option in the Information Systems & Technology, Mathematics, and Physics AS programs.
- D. To see course transferability: a) for New Jersey schools, go to the NJ Transfer website, [www.njtransfer.org](http://www.njtransfer.org) b) for all other colleges and universities, go to the individual websites.

#### **V. Outline of Course Content**

1. Properties of solutions
2. Solution stoichiometry
3. Rates of chemical reactions
4. Thermodynamics
5. Gaseous equilibria
6. Acids, bases, and buffers
7. Solubility equilibria
8. Electrochemistry

#### **VI. A. Course Learning Outcomes:**

At the completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a knowledge of and the ability to critically analyze the principles of chemistry. (GE-3\*)
2. Apply the scientific method to analyze a problem and draw conclusions from data and evidence. (GE-3\*)
3. Solve quantitative chemistry problems. (GE-2,3\*)
4. Apply laboratory techniques to perform chemistry experiments and use proper instrumentation and technology to collect and analyze data (GE-3,4\*)
5. Communicate the results of laboratory work in a clear and efficient manner. (GE-1) (\* embedded critical thinking)

#### **B. Assessment Instruments**

1. Semester examinations
2. Cumulative final examination
3. Quizzes
4. Prelaboratory assignments, laboratory notebooks and reports

## **VII. Grade Determinants**

1. Semester exams
2. Cumulative Final exam
3. Quizzes and/or graded homework
4. Prelaboratory assignments, Laboratory experiments, including a laboratory notebook

Primary formats, modes, and methods for teaching and learning that may be used in the course:

- A. Lecture/discussion
- B. Laboratory
- C. Student collaboration
- D. Small group work
- E. Computer-assisted instruction

## **VIII. Texts and Materials**

OpenStax Chemistry Atoms First, OER Textbook online  
Knewton Alta Online Homework Subscription

- B. Other suggested materials
  - Carbon-Copy Laboratory Notebook
  - Safety Glasses
  - Scientific Calculator

(Please Note: The course outline is intended only as a guide to course content and resources. Do not purchase textbooks based on this outline. The RVCC Bookstore is the sole resource for the most up-to-date information about textbooks.)

## **IX. Resources**

- A. General Chemistry Laboratory

**X. Check One:** ☐ Honors Course ☐ Honors Options ☒ N/A