

CHE 520 Chemical Process Modelling and Simulation, Winter 2023
Chemical Engineering, University of Waterloo

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Course Description: An integrated view of process flowsheet synthesis, analysis and optimization, emphasizing the use of computer aids to perform steady-state mass and energy balancing on chemical processes. Application of relevant chemical engineering concepts, including mass and energy balances, thermodynamics of mixtures and unit operation models, to process simulation. Process simulation modes, numerical solution of relevant non-linear equation systems, recycle partitioning, and tearing. Applications including heat exchanger networks, multistage separation processes, and chemical reactor networks. Practical skills will be developed through the application of available process simulation software.

Course References:

Required Textbook - Biegler, Lorenz T., Ignacio E. Grossmann, and Arthur W. Westerberg. "Systematic methods for chemical process design." (1997).

Course website - <http://learn.uwaterloo.ca>, will be used as the main means of communication outside of lectures and tutorials.

Course Schedule:

Lectures T 13:00-14:20 E6 2024

Tutorial/Practical F 12:30-14:20 CPH 1346

Evaluation: The course grade will be based on 2 homework assignments (40% total) and 3 lab assignments (60% total).

Course Responsibilities:

Academic Integrity, Grievance, Discipline, Appeals and Note for Students with Disabilities: see

¹Also by appointment.

<http://www.uwaterloo.ca/accountability/documents/courseoutlinestmts.pdf>. The text for this web site is listed below:

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Tentative Lecture Schedule:

<i>Week (starting)</i>	<i>Lecture Topic</i>	<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Additional Notes</i>
1	Course Introduction		
	Linear Process Models: Introduction	1, 2	
2	Linear Process Models: Unit Models	3.1-2	
3	Linear Process Models: Mass Balances	3.3	
4	Linear Process Models: T/P Levels	3.4-6	
	Linear Process Models: Energy Balances		
5	Nonlinear Process Models: Thermodynamics	7.1-2	
6	Nonlinear Process Models: Flash Calculations	7.3	
7	Nonlinear Process Models: Distillation Calculations	7.4	
8	Nonlinear Process Models: Other Unit Operations	7.5-7.6	
9	Nonlinear Process Models: Other Unit Operations	7.5-7.6	
10	Process Simulation Methods	8.1-2	
11	Process Simulation Methods	8.3-4	
12	Process Simulation Methods	8.5-6	