Welcome to CHEM 103 Section 1001, meeting MW 2:30 pm to 3:45 pm. I wanted to send out this welcoming message to all students enrolled in this section to provide some important information that you will need for the upcoming semester.

1. Textbook information
2. Course Homepages and important documents
3. Course Syllabus

IMPORTANT TEXTBOOK COST SAVING TIP!!!!

This semester, CHEM 103 (1001) will be accessing learning exercises, homework and on line quizzes using the MasteringChemistry website. The campus bookstore is selling a new “Timberlake & Timberlake” 4th edition text bundled with MasteringChemistry access for $131.35. A used book without MasteringChemistry access has a price of $98.50. However, with the separate on line purchase of MasteringChemistry, $66.00, you will pay more (total = $164.50) than you would for the bundled software/new book combination.

On line, you may purchase access to both 1) the site for homework and on line quizzes, and 2) the eText for a total of $110.00, but the eTEXT is NOT a course requirement. As an option, any used edition of this book may be used for the course. The chapters may be numbered differently in the different editions but the contents of each chapter will be essentially the same. Therefore if you can purchase a used text of “Timberlake & Timberlake” for $30 or less, you can then purchase access to MasteringChemistry at its online web site and save. Otherwise, purchase of MasteringChemistry and the eTEXT will be the most cost effective option. Textbook rentals are also available. The choice is yours.

There are two homepages for this course. The primary homepage will be found on WebCampus. This will become active and accessible to students two weeks before classes start and unless the url is changed, can be accessed at https://webcampus.unlv.edu/. The secondary homepage can be found at http://faculty.unlv.edu/tirril/Index.html which is currently active. Important documents and lecture Powerpoint presentations can be downloaded from this site if you have difficulty doing so from WebCampus.

The course syllabus can be accessed and downloaded from either site prior to the start of classes. You can read this and other important documents.

This message will be sent out several times prior to the start of classes because the enrollment roster remains fluid with students dropping this section or changing sections. If you receive this message several times, please ignore the repeats and forgive the intrusion.