

Grading category	possible points	your percent in the category	your points in the category
graded assignments	5		Use your pct to determine your points in each category.
quizzes	15		
experiments/lab work	20		
exams	40		
final exam	20		
TOTAL POSSIBLE	100		YOUR TOTAL
The lowest experiment, quiz, and hour exam will be dropped. Final exams may not be dropped.			
Grades: A 89 - 100 points B 79-88 C 69-78 D 57-68 F < 57			
Consult my Chem 1400 webpage for examples of grade calculations.			

Grades at Midterm

At midterm, no scores are dropped, and your grade does not include the final. Therefore at midterm your grade is based on the following breakdown:

graded assignments	6.25	(5 out of 80 w/o the final)
quizzes	18.75	(15 out of 80 w/o the final)
experiments	25	(20 out of 80 w/o the final)
exams	50	(40 out of 80 w/o the final)

Student example: Suppose this student had the following percentages from their work at midterm

graded assignments	70 %
quizzes	75 %
experiments	85 %
exams	70 %

This student's midterm grade would be calculated as follows

graded assignments	70 % of 6.25 =	4.38
quizzes	75 % of 18.75 =	14.06
experiments	85 % of 25 =	21.25
exams	70 % of 50 =	35
from a possible 100	74.69 is this student's score (sum of contributions from each category)	
A C grade would be reported for this student at midterm.		

Final Course Grades

Lowest quiz grades, lab grades, and exam grades are dropped. Be certain to adjust your totals accordingly in calculating your percentages in each category. For example in the example below, suppose a student had hour exam scores of 72, 80, 75, and 65. The 65 would be dropped, leaving an exam percentage of 227/300 (three exams) = 75.7%.

Student example: Suppose this student had the following percentages from their work at semester's end

graded assignments	75 %
quizzes	80 %
experiments	88 %
exams	74.3 %
final	80 %

This student's final grade would be calculated as follows

graded assignments	75 % of 5 =	3.75
quizzes	80 % of 15 =	12
experiments	85 % of 20 =	17
exams	75.7 % of 40 =	30.28
final	80 % of 20 =	16
from a possible 100	79.03 is this student's score (sum of contributions from each category)	

A B grade would be reported for this student's final course grade.