

CHE 226 LABORATORY FEES

1. You have automatically been charged a \$90.00 Laboratory Fee through the Billings and Collection Office for chemicals, supplies, and minor equipment used in common in the laboratory. This charge should have been listed on your tuition bill. Fifty dollars may seem like a lot of money, and it is indeed. However, these fees only help *partially* compensate for just the cost of chemicals and supplies consumed in the laboratory. The **total operating cost** for materials, equipment, repairs, maintenance, utilities, and instrumentation in the laboratory is quite large and heavily subsidized by the University and the taxpayers of the Commonwealth well above the tuition paid for taking the course.
2. **If you break, damage, or lose any equipment provided for your use in this laboratory course, you must replace the broken item(s)** by the purchase of replacements at the Chemistry Stockroom (CP-333), using your student I.D. card or meal card. If an exact replacement is not available at the Stockroom, you must purchase an equivalent amount of common high-usage supplies to be specified by the course instructor.
3. In order to protect the considerable investment the taxpayers have made in the laboratory facilities, before you leave laboratory each day, **you must clean your laboratory station, your balance area, and the common areas that you used.** Finally, check that you have returned all your own equipment to your locker or drawer and that they are securely locked. This helps to ensure that your (very expensive) equipment does not disappear.
4. If you lose your combination after you have received it, it may be obtained at the Chemistry Stockroom. For this additional service, a charge of \$5.00 is made.
5. **Once you have checked into the Laboratory, you must *formally* check out of the lab with one of the Teaching Assistants or the Instructor** to ensure that all the equipment issued to you is accounted for and not broken. **This applies whether you officially DROP the course, WITHDRAW from the course, COMPLETE the course with a regular letter grade, or simply abandon the course.** If you do not do this **by the deadline date specified for the course**, you have not completed the course requirements. The instructor will issue you an I grade (unless you have dropped or officially withdrawn), which will automatically convert to an E in a year. In addition, if the Department ends up checking your locker, you will be charged a \$50.00 fee for the additional personnel time required to assist you, in addition to the cost of any broken or missing equipment.

CHECKING INTO THE LABORATORY INDICATES ACCEPTANCE OF THE LABORATORY FEES AND PROCEDURES INDICATED ABOVE.

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