

## Subject Description Form

<b>Subject Code</b>	ABCT3260
<b>Subject Title</b>	APPLIED CHEMISTRY LABORATORY
<b>Credit Value</b>	2
<b>Level</b>	3
<b>Pre-requisite</b>	NONE
<b>Co-requisite</b>	APPLIED CHEMISTRY - ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY - POLYMER
<b>Objectives</b>	This subject aims to enhance the understanding of principles and theories and to provide practical experience in two applied chemistry areas - Environmental Chemistry and Polymer.
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: a. apply different analytical techniques to determine the basic parameters for assessing the quality of drinking and waste water; b. evaluate polymer samples by different characterization techniques; c. know how to synthesize and characterize a polymer using free radical polymerization technique d. work effectively as a member of a team and write technical reports.
<b>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</b>	Measurement of Water Quality Parameters  Hardness and Nitrate  COD  Preparation of poly(methyl methacrylate) (PMMA) into a sheet via a free radical polymerization of methyl methacrylate and evaluation of the polymer properties.  Characterization of polymers using differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)  Measurement of polymer molecular weight with dilute-solution viscosity method

<b>Teaching/Learning Methodology</b>	Students will work in teams. Laboratory manual containing general background and procedures of the experiments will be provided to students. They will submit comprehensive written reports after the experiments. Students will be assessed based on their written reports, performance during the practical session, and a test to assess their understanding of the underlying and operation principles of the experiments.
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<b>Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)					
			a	b	c			
	1. Continuous Assessment	100%	√	√	√			
	Total	100 %						
<p><u>Student's performance will be assessed by two components: 1) Written test on different experimental skills and characterization techniques; 2) Group report to assess their ability to summarize and discuss results and work as a team.</u></p>								

<b>Student Study Effort Expected</b>	Class contact:		
	▪ Laboratory	24 Hrs.	
	Other student study effort:		
	▪ Laboratory reports	32 Hrs.	
	▪ Self study	8 Hrs.	
Total student study effort		64 Hrs.	

<b>Reading List and References</b>		Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Waste Water, 20 <sup>th</sup> ed.	American Public Health Assoc., American Water Works Assoc. and Water Pollution Control Fed. 1998
	McCarty, P et al.	Chemistry for Environmental Engineering, 5 <sup>th</sup> ed.	McGraw-Hill 2003
	Carraher, C E Jr	Seymour/Carraher's Polymer Chemistry, 6 <sup>th</sup> ed.	Marcel Dekker 2003
	Sorenson, W R et al.	Preparative Methods of Polymer Chemistry	Wiley 2001