

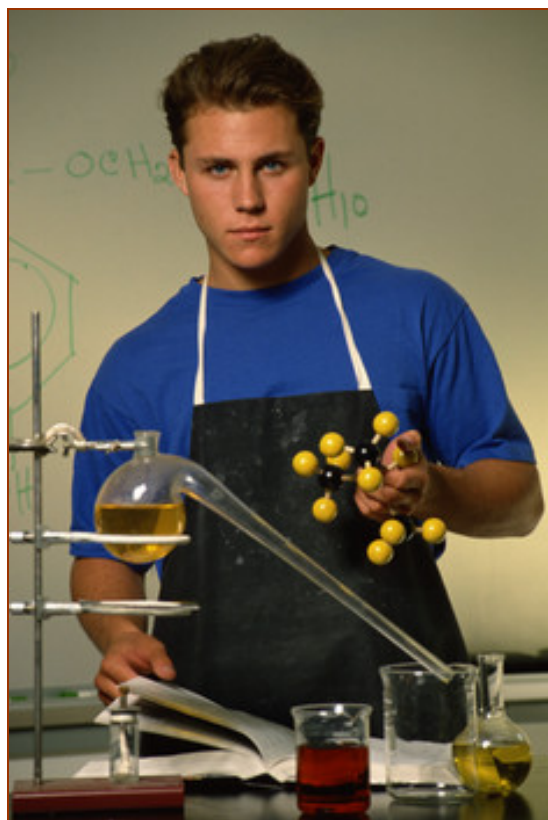
# Organic Chemistry Survival Guide

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## How to Ace an Organic Chemistry Course

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### **Dedication**

My students are my teachers. I have learned and been inspired so much from them. For that, I dedicate this Guide to them.

## FOREWORD – THE WINNING EDGE IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Chemistry is often called the central science; its mastery enables one to find an easier path in the learning of physics, biology, and other related subjects. But chemistry differs from these subjects in that it does not require extensive memorization like biology and yet it can not derive everything from a few fundamental laws like physics. Chemistry lies in between these fields of study due to its multi-disciplinary nature.

There are many sub-disciplines of chemistry that students can explore: inorganic chemistry, physical chemistry, analytical chemistry, biochemistry, etc. None of these courses, however, inspire dread in students quite like the way organic chemistry does. In organic chemistry, a course that focuses on the study of carbon-containing compounds and their reactions, you will be required to memorize information, in addition to understanding a few basic principles. Many find this subject to be particularly hard because of the hybrid nature of learning that is involved.

Do not be intimidated. In reality, you do not need to spend any more time studying organic chemistry than other subjects if you use a smart study system to understand all the important concepts, principles and reactions. The key to effective learning in organic chemistry is to memorize the least and apply this knowledge to the fullest.

The problem for many students is that they use the same study methods from non-science subjects in science classes. Even within the science disciplines, you might get yourself in trouble by studying the same way in chemistry as in biology. While it is rumored that organic chemistry is impossibly difficult, the truth is it is very learnable if one knows how to approach the material. If you are looking for a better way to study organic chemistry, this guide is for you. Forget about plowing through several weighty textbooks and overwhelming yourself with unnecessary information. Our goal here is to spend minimum effort to achieve maximum results.

The issue of how to effectively study organic chemistry is the very focus of this guide. The survival skills you will learn will accelerate your mastery of organic chemistry and help to improve your grade. If you follow the 5-stage systematic method outlined in this guide, you will significantly improve your learning and achieve a better grade with less study time. Bring your chemistry learning into focus – and you will learn what you need to succeed in organic chemistry.

Let's get cracking. Obtain the winning edge today.

*"Perhaps the most valuable result of education is the ability to make yourself do the thing you have to do, when it ought to be done, whether you want to or not. It is the first lesson that must be learned."*

*--Thomas Huxley*

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