Syllabus CHEM 4391
Independent Research - Spring 2019

Instructor
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Time and Location
Class times:  Student is required to work nine hours per week doing lab work.

Books and Supplies
Other Materials:  The Official Laboratory Research Notebook and Safety Goggles

Purpose of Course
The student will gain experience with the hands on activities involved in research.  Theory and ideas will be discussed, and experiments will be planned and executed.  Ongoing review of current literature related to the product will be used to both support and guide the research project.  Student will learn and demonstrate skill in maintaining research records and clearly reporting the research in both written and oral means.

Evaluation of Student Learning Outcomes
Student progress will be monitored using the following:
1. Weekly meetings with research advisor
2. Maintaining a research notebook and making sure up-to-date scans of the notebook are available to the research advisor.
3. A final report needs to be submitted to the faculty adviser no later than Friday, May 3.  It is recommended that the final report be submitted as soon as possible after Friday, April 26 allowing adviser to give feedback that will allow student to edit final version of report before May 3.
4. Student is required to submit a poster at the Undergraduate Research Showcase at the end of the semester.

Grading
Consistent attendance - 40%
Prepared and effective communication in weekly meetings with adviser – 20%
Poster presentation - 20%
Final written report - 20%
Honor Code / Academic Dishonesty
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Disabilities
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Michelle Boone, J.D.
Director of Title IX Compliance/Title IX Coordinator
Mayer Administration Building, Room 200
325-942-2022
michelle.boone@angelo.edu

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