

CHEM181x Discussion & Collaboration Guidelines

Overview

Below are guidelines and best practices for productive collaboration and discussion in CHEM181x: *Food for Thought*.

1. **Participate!** It will enhance your learning experience and some discussions will be subject to examination.
2. **Be polite!** Opinions are good, but please respect others' opinions as well.
3. **Do not cheat!** See collaboration guidelines below to see what's acceptable.
4. All information, content, and material of this course is for informational purposes only and are not intended to serve as a substitute for the consultation, diagnosis, and/or medical treatment of a qualified physician or healthcare provider.

Collaboration Guidelines

These will help you use the forum appropriately as an aid to learning the material.

We encourage you to:

- Discuss the general approach to solving a problem.
- Work jointly to come up with the general steps for the solution.
- Ask for a hint or clarification in the discussion board, or several hints for that matter, if you get stuck while solving a problem.

It is **not** ok to:

- Post the solution to a problem in the discussion board or somewhere else on the web.
- Take someone else's solution and simply copy the answers from their solution.

These actions are considered to be cheating. Violations of these guidelines may result in posts being deleted or your account being deactivated.

Discussion Forum Best Practices

Here are a couple of helpful hints to using the discussion forum. The staff will monitor all discussions on a daily basis.

- Please search for an answer to your question in the discussion board before posting. It is likely that other students asked the same question already.
- Whenever we ask you a discussion question, there is a link at the bottom that says "show discussion". Clicking on this link will show all posts on the forum associated with this particular topic or question.
- Actively up-vote other posts, and other people will up-vote yours! The more up-votes your post has, the more likely it is to be seen. Don't forget to up-vote your own posts!
- If you are reporting a bug, please post it in the **Technical Issues** category for that week.