

MSUM Safety Test Requirement

It is absolutely necessary that students have completed and passed the MSUM safety course/tests. This is necessary for legal reasons as well as general safety reasons. If you did not pass the MSUM safety course/tests in the past, it is absolutely vital that you take action to rectify the situation. A student who has not previously passed and who does not pass it **BY NOVEMBER 16** will not be allowed to continue in the organic laboratory. **YOU MUST HAVE PASSED THE MSUM TEST; SATISFYING THE REQUIREMENTS AT NDSU, CONCORDIA, OR SOME OTHER SCHOOL OR INDUSTRIAL WORKPLACE IS NOT SUFFICIENT.** Without passing the safety test you will receive an F or an I (incomplete) for the course.

The test is not terribly difficult. As of 2001, it included 100 questions, 75 being true-or-false questions, 15 that are multiple choice, and 10 in which you are asked to identify what 10 safety related acronyms mean. A passing score is 70. A student is given three chances to pass the test.

My recommendation is that you take the test and see if you pass; many students do on first try without studying for it. If you don't, you'll have a better idea of what you need to learn, and you can invest some focused study on preparing yourself. The Chem 355 web page has several links to useful and not excessively long safety information, including a quite list of significant acronyms.