

Dear CHM 115 Students,

Thank you so much for a great semester! It was really a pleasure to have you all as my first class. Your participation made the class really special. Typically in large classes people are afraid to speak or ask questions, but not you guys! Your questions kept me on my toes and I know that's what kept the lectures vibrant. I have the highest respect for all of you. You're all tremendously hard workers (I still can't believe half the class went to school on the 4th of July!!). Anyone who succeeds in condensed summer courses, especially one as challenging as CHM 115, and balances other classes with work and home definitely has what it takes to be successful in the future. I'm sure all of you are going to be great at your future careers from physician's assistants to dentists and engineers. I hope you'll keep your eyes open for things you learned in class and make connections between the sciences.

I would also like to thank you all very much for your extremely thoughtful and generous cards. I've spent a lot of time at various universities but I have never seen anything like this. I promise you, I've learned more from you than you have from me. The next time I teach *General Chemistry* it's going to be even better (from my end at least) because your honest questions and comments have helped me find effective ways to communicate the material. If there is anything I can help any of you with in the future, don't hesitate to ask (chris.lafratta@tufts.edu). Thank you all so much, I had a great time this semester and, based on your comments, I think all of you did too.

Sincerely,

Dr. LaFratta