PHYS 11 Course Outline as of Summer 2019

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: PHYS 11 Title: CONCEPTUAL PHYSICS

Full Title: Conceptual Physics Last Reviewed: 4/10/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	8	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	105.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

Introduction to the principles of classical and modern physics emphasizing basic concepts and topics such as mechanics, light, sound, quantum physics, electricity and magnetism, optics, and particle physics.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of MATH 150 OR MATH 150B OR MATH 151 OR higher (MATH) or appropriate placement based on AB 705 mandates

Recommended Preparation:

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent

Limits on Enrollment:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

C Natural Sciences Fall 2011

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

B1 Physical Science Fall 2011

B3 Laboratory Activity

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

5A Physical Sciences Fall 2011

5C Fulfills Lab Requirement

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2011 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2011 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Major Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Explain the basic principles underlying the physics of motion, matter, heat, sound, electricity, magnetism, waves, light, atomic and nuclear theories.
- 2. Apply the scientific method and lab skills to investigate and evaluate physical phenomena.

Objectives:

Students will be able to:

- 1. Explain motion in one dimension, including free fall, and use Newton's Laws to solve problems related to motion.
- 2. Explain the states of matter and atomic and nuclear theory.
- 3. Define temperature, thermal energy, heat transfer, and explain the effect of thermal energy on

materials.

- 4. Describe different types of waves, wave propagation, and wave interference.
- 5. Describe static electricity, the field associated with charges, and the force between various charges.
- 6. Interpret series and parallel circuits using Ohm's law.
- 7. Define magnetism, Ampere's Law, Faraday's law of induction, and their practical applications.
- 8. Explain full electromagnetic spectrum, visible optics/colors, and optical components and

- systems.
- 9. Describe the concepts related to relativity, quantum physics, atomic physics, and nuclear physics.
- 10. Apply laboratory techniques including computer data acquisition and analysis tools to observe, measure and experiment with physical phenomena.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Mechanics
 - A. Linear motion
 - B. Nonlinear motion
 - C. Newton's laws of motion
 - D. Momentum
 - E. Energy
 - F. Rotational motion
 - G. Gravity
 - H. Satellite motion
- II. Properties of Matter
 - A. Atomic nature of matter
 - B. Solids
 - C. Liquids
 - D. Gases and plasmas
- III. Heat
 - A. Temperature, heat and expansion
 - B. Heat transfer
 - C. Change of state
- IV. Sound
 - A. Vibrations and waves
 - B. Sound
 - C. Musical sounds
- V. Electricity and Magnetism
 - A. Electrostatics
 - B. Electric current
 - C. Magnetism
 - D. Electromagnetic induction
- VI. Light
 - A. Properties of light
 - B. Color
 - C. Reflection and refraction
 - D. Light waves
 - E. Light emission
 - F. Light quanta
- VII. Atomic and Nuclear Physics
 - A. The atom
 - B. Atomic nucleus and radioactivity
 - C. Nuclear fission and fusion
- VIII. Laboratory Skills
 - A. Laboratory safety
 - B. SI (System Internationale) and metric units
 - C. Using calipers, stopwatches, metersticks, etc. to make measurements on mechanical systems
 - D. Using computers and motion detectors to make measurements on mechanical systems

- E. Using spreadsheets to record data and to calculate and analyze experimental results
- F. Constructing graphs using computer graphing programs
- G. Uncertainty and error analysis
- H. Numerical and graphical analysis of data

Assignment:

Lecture-Related Assignments:

- 1. Reading assignments (approximately one textbook chapter per week)
- 2. Homework assignments (12-16)
- 3. Quizzes (5-16)
- 4. Exams (2-4)
- 5. Final exam

Lab-Related Assignments:

- 1. Laboratory readings and reports (12-17)
- 2. Laboratory exams (0-3)
- 3. Special project, such as demonstrations and video presentations (0-1)

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Lab reports

Writing 10 - 20%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework assignments

Problem solving 10 - 20%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Exams, laboratory exams, quizzes, final exam

Exams 60 - 70%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Special project, class participation

Other Category 0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Conceptual Physics. 12th ed. Hewitt, Paul. Addison Wesley. 2014 (classic)

Conceptual Physics Fundamentals. Hewitt, Paul. Addison Wesley. 2008 (classic) Conceptual Physics Laboratory Manual. Hewitt, Paul. Addison Wesley. 2008 (classic)