

Administrative Master Syllabus

Course Information

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| Course Title | University Physics I |
| Course Prefix, Num. and Title | PHYS 2425 |
| Division | Math & Physical Sciences |
| Department | Physics & Engineering |
| Course Type | Academic WCJC Core Course |
| Course Catalog Description | Fundamental principles of physics, using calculus, for science, computer science, and engineering majors; the principles and applications of classical mechanics, including harmonic motion, physical systems, and thermodynamics. Emphasis is placed on problem solving. Laboratory experiments support theoretical principles presented in lecture; includes experimental design, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports. |
| Pre-Requisites | MATH 2413; concurrent enrollment in MATH 2414 is recommended (see PHYS 2426 prerequisites) |
| Co-Requisites | None |

Semester Credit Hours

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| Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): Lecture Hours: | 4:3:3 |
| Lab/Other Hours | |
| Equated Pay Hours | 4.8 |
| Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Lab Hours | 3 |
| Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Clinical Hours | 0 |
| Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Practicum Hours | 0 |
| Other Hours Breakdown | 0 |

Approval Signatures

| Title | Signature | Date |
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| Department Head: | <i>Rocio Doherty</i> | 12/08/23 |
| Division Chair: | | 12-11-23 |
| VPI: | | |

Additional Course Information

Topical Outline: Each offering of this course must include the following topics (be sure to include information regarding lab, practicum, and clinical or other non-lecture instruction).

Lecture Outline:

Syllabus and Class Introduction

- CH 1 Units, Physical Quantities and Vectors
- CH 2 Motion Along a Straight Line
- CH 3 Motion in Two or Three Dimensions
- CH 4 Newton's Law of Motion CH 5 Applying Newton's Laws CH 6 Work and Kinetic Energy
- CH 7 Potential Energy and Conservation of Energy
- CH 8 Momentum, Impulse, and Collisions
- CH 9 Rotation of Rigid Bodies
- CH 10 Dynamics of Rotational Motion
- CH 11 Equilibrium and Elasticity
- CH 12 Fluid Mechanics
- CH 13 Gravitation
- CH 14 Periodic Motion
- CH 17 Temperature and Heat
- CH 18 Thermal Properties of Matter
- CH 19 The First Law of Thermodynamics
- CH 20 The Second Law of Thermodynamics

Laboratory Outline: Each offering of this course must include 11-13 experiments selected from the below list.

Syllabus and Lab Orientation

- Measurement and Error - Extended
- Graph Matching - Extended
- Cart on a Ramp - Extended
- Picket Fence Free Fall – Extended
- Projectile Motion
- Force Table - Extended
- Atwood's Machine - Extended
- Coefficients of Friction - Extended
- Centripetal Force
- Conservation of Energy - Extended
- Momentum, Energy and Collisions - Extended
- Rotational Inertia of a Disk and a Ring
- Simple Pendulum - Extended
- Buoyant Force - Extended
- Calorimetry - Extended
- Behavior of a Gas - Extended
- Speed of Sound - Extended

Course Learning Outcomes:

Learning Outcomes – Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

Lecture:

1. Determine the components of linear motion (displacement, velocity, and acceleration), and especially motion under conditions of constant acceleration.
2. Solve problems involving forces and work.
3. Apply Newton's laws to physical problems.
4. Identify the different types of energy.
5. Solve problems using principles of energy conservation.
6. Define the principles of impulse, momentum, and collisions.
7. Use principles of impulse and linear momentum to solve problems.
8. Determine the location of the center of mass and center of rotation for rigid bodies in motion.
9. Discuss rotational kinematics and dynamics and the relationship between linear and rotational motion.
10. Solve problems involving rotational and linear motion.
11. Define equilibrium, including the different types of equilibrium.
12. Discuss simple harmonic motion and its application to real-world problems.
13. Solve problems involving the First and Second Laws of Thermodynamics.

Laboratory:

1. Prepare laboratory reports that clearly communicate experimental information in a logical and scientific manner.
2. Conduct basic laboratory experiments involving classical mechanics.
3. Relate physical observations and measurements involving classical mechanics to theoretical principles.
4. Evaluate the accuracy of physical measurements and the potential sources of error in the measurements.
5. Design fundamental experiments involving principles of classical mechanics.
6. Identify appropriate sources of information for conducting laboratory experiments involving classical mechanics.

Methods of Assessment:

Outcomes assessed by:

Final exam, tests, quizzes, class work and homework assignments

Lab outcomes assessed by:

Lab exam and lab reports

Required text(s), optional text(s) and/or materials to be supplied by the student:

Young & Freedman, *University Physics with Modern Physics*, 15th Edition, Pearson (required) (ISBN 978-0-1352-0634-8)
University Physics I Lab Manual, 1st Edition, Wharton County Junior College; (ISBN: 978-1-5339-2891-7)
Scientific calculator (optional at Instructor's discretion)

Students must have computer access to the WCJC website, their WCJC student email and online accounts. WCJC has open computer labs, with internet access, on all campuses for students to use.

Suggested Course Maximum:

36

List any specific or physical requirements beyond a typical classroom required to teach the course.

Physics laboratory classroom required for the lab component of the course

Course Requirements/Grading System: Describe any course specific requirements such as research papers or reading assignments and the generalized grading format for the course.

Lecture Average:

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| Exam Average (3-4 exams) | 30-55% |
| Other (homework, quizzes, projects, attendance, class work, etc) | 0-25% |
| Laboratory Average (based on lab avg below) | 25% |
| Final Exam (includes at least 50% comprehensive material) | 20-25% |
| | 100% course total |

Laboratory Average*:

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| Lab Reports | 20-75% |
| Other (lab notebook, pre-lab assignments, quizzes, etc.) | 20-80% |
| Lab exam | 5-25% |
| | 100% lab total |

*Department policy: A student must earn a 60% laboratory grade or greater to pass the course.

The overall course grade is assigned as specified by the college:

- A = 90–100
- B = 80–89
- C = 70–79
- D = 60–69
- F = below 60

Curriculum Checklist:

- Administrative General Education Course** (from ACGM, but not in WCJC Core) – No additional documents needed.
- Administrative WCJC Core Course** – Attach the Core Curriculum Review Forms
 - Critical Thinking
 - Communication
 - Empirical & Quantitative Skills
 - Teamwork
 - Social Responsibility
 - Personal Responsibility
- WECM Course** – If needed, revise the Program SCANS Matrix and Competencies Checklist

Core Curriculum Review Form

Foundational Component Area: Core 030: Life & Physical Science

Course Prefix & Suffix: PHYS 2425

Core Objective:

Critical Thinking Skills—to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information

Student Learning Outcome Supporting Core Objective:

For each core objective, there must be at least two different methods of assessment.

| SLO Status | Student Learning Outcome (SLO) | Learning Activity | Assessment |
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| State Mandated | (Lecture SLO #6) Define the principles of impulse, momentum, and collisions. | Lecture and laboratory experiment (Momentum, Energy and Collisions) | Lab report, exam |
| State Mandated | (Laboratory SLO #2) Conduct basic laboratory experiments involving classical mechanics. | Lecture and laboratory experiment (Momentum, Energy and Collisions) | Lab report, exam |
| Choose a SLO status. | Insert SLO (from Administrative Master Syllabi) | Provide a brief name and description of the sample learning activity. | Provide a brief name and description of the sample quiz, exam, rubric, assignment, etc. for assessing the objective. |

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Core Objective:

Communication Skills—to include effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral and visual communication

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| State Mandated | (Laboratory SLO #1) Prepare laboratory reports that clearly communicate experimental information in a logical and scientific manner. | Lecture and laboratory experiment (Momentum, Energy and Collisions) | Lab report, exam |
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Empirical and Quantitative Skills—to include the manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions

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Core Objective:

Teamwork—to include the ability to consider different points of view and to work effectively with others to support a shared purpose or goal

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