PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY

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College of Natural Science

Physics PHY

Introductory physics courses are offered in both the lecture-recitation and the Competency-Based-Instructional (CBI) format. In the latter format the students are carefully guided through each course via written materials with ample consulting time available. Both content and pace of course are flexible to suit student's needs and interests, final grades being based on total amount of material for which student's mastery is certified. The introductory courses may be grouped by the application of two criteria: The interests of the students the courses are designed to serve and the method of instruction employed.

Lecture-Recitation Format

237, 238, 239, three credits each, designed primarily for students with interests in the life and earth sciences. The mathematics prerequisite is credit for or concurrent enrollment in college algebra and trigonometry (MTH 109 or 111).

287, 288, 289, four credits each, designed primarily for students with interest in the physical sciences, mathematics and engineering. The mathematics prerequisite is credit for or concurrent enrollment in calculus III with vectors (MTH 214).

291H, 292H, 293H, four credits each, designed primarily for Physics majors and others with a special interest in Physics. The mathematics prerequisite is credit for or concurrent enrollment in calculus III with vectors (MTH 214), the Honors section recommended.

Competency Based Instructional Format

237B, an alternate way to earn credit in 237. 281, 282, 283, three credits each, designed for students with interest in the natural sciences, including the life and earth sciences. The mathematics prerequisite is calculus I with analytic geometry (MTH 112).

287A, 288A, 289A, one credit each, to follow 281, 282, 283 to give a four credit per term introductory series. However, 287A may not be taken concurrently with 281, 288A may not be taken concurrently with 282, and 289A may not be taken concurrently with 283.

287B, 288B, 289B, in which the four credit introductory series is covered in one term for each course.

291A, 292A, 293A, one credit each to follow 281, 287A; 282, 288A; 283, 289A or 287, 288, 289 or 287B, 288B, 289B to give a five credit introductory series.

291B, 292B, 293B in which the five credit introductory series is covered in one term for each course.

The courses taught via the two formats may be grouped to give a wide variety of introductory physics courses. The following equivalencies exist:

237, 238, 239 may be taken as 237B, 238, 239.

287, 288, 289 may be taken as 281, 287A; 282, 288A; 283, 289A; or 287B, 288B, 289B.

291B, 292B, 293B may be taken as 281, 287A, 291A; 282, 288A, 292A; 283, 289A, 293A; or as 287, 291A; 288, 292A; 289, 293A; or as 287B, 291A; 288B, 292A; 289B, 293A.

A student may change from one group of introductory courses to another, but may not earn credit for more than one complete sequence.

Credit may not be earned for more than one of the courses 294, 357, or 364.

201, 202, 203, 301, 357, 430, and 431 cannot be used to meet the requirements for a major in Physics.

Prerequisites to nearly all the first courses in the 300-400 level course sequences are stated in terms of the Introductory Physics courses. The course selected for prerequisite is that which requires the least number of credits and the least mathematical background the department considers adequate. The corresponding term of any introductory sequence that requires a mathematical background equal to or greater than that of the stated prerequisite may be substituted for the stated prerequisite.

All 400 level physics courses (except 430 and 431) require 289 or 293H.

201. *The Science of Sound I: Rock, Bach and Oscillators (N)*

Winter. 4(4-0) Interdepartmental with the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Man-sound relationship. Production, propagation, detection of sounds. Voice, hearing, scales, timbre, musical instruments. Room acoustics. Electronic reproduction and synthesis of music. Demonstrations emphasized.

202. *The Science of Sound II*

Spring. 3(3-0) or 4(4-0) PHY 201. Interdepartmental with and administered by the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Nature, generation, and propagation of sound. Acoustical phenomenon and measurements. Storage and manipulation of sound in numerical form. Music programming.

203. *Science of Light and Color for Nonscientists*

Spring. 4(4-0)

Properties of light with applications to mirrors, lenses, eyes, cameras, lasers, holography. Light spectra, color TV, color vision, filters, pigments. Black and white and color photography.

227. *Physics for Audiology and Speech Sciences*

Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) MTH 108. Not open to students with credit in PHY 237. Interdepartmental with the Department of Audiology and Speech Sciences.

Introductory physics for Audiology and Speech Sciences majors: kinematics, Newton's Law, conservation of energy and momentum, waves and vibrations, sound propagation, resonance, speech production.

237. *Introductory Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3(4-0) MTH 109 or MTH 111 or concurrently. Not open to students with credit in PHY 227.

Mechanics, including Newton's Law, momentum, energy, and conservation laws.

237B. *Introductory Physics I, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. MTH 109 or MTH 111 or concurrently.

Mechanics including Newton's Law, momentum, energy, and conservation laws.

238. *Introductory Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3(4-0) PHY 237.

Heat, electricity and magnetism.

238B. *Introductory Physics II, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. PHY 237B or PHY 237.

Heat, electricity and magnetism.

239. *Introductory Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3(4-0) PHY 238.

Wave motion, sound, light, and modern developments.

239B. *Introductory Physics III, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. PHY 238B or PHY 238.

Wave motion, sound, light and modern developments.

256. *Energy Consumption and Environmental Quality (N)*

(IDC 256.) Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Lyman Briggs School.

The role of energy as a fundamental pollutant will be discussed along with the availability of fossil energy sources. Limitations on the safe utilization of both fossil and nuclear energy will also be considered.

257. *Introductory Physics Laboratory*

Fall, Winter, Summer. 1(0-2) PHY 237 or PHY 281 or concurrently.

Mechanics and heat.

258. *Introductory Physics Laboratory*

Winter, Spring, Summer. 1(0-2) PHY 238 or PHY 282 or concurrently.

Heat, electricity and magnetism.

259. *Introductory Physics Laboratory*

Fall, Spring, Summer. 1(0-2) PHY 239 or PHY 283 or concurrently.

Wave motion, sound, light and modern developments.

281. *Basic Physics I, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. MTH 112.

Static equilibrium, Newton's laws, power, harmonic motion, rotational motion.

282. *Basic Physics II, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. PHY 281.

Microscopic origin of heat flow and first law of thermodynamics, electric and magnetic forces and sources, direct currents.

283. *Basic Physics III, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3 credits. PHY 282.

Physics of sound, light, and optical instruments, wave-particle duality, radioactivity, fission and fusion, elementary particles, fundamental forces of nature.

284. *Calculus Concepts in Physics I, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 2 credits. PHY 237 and MTH 113.

Extension of PHY 237 involving calculus concepts. PHY 237 plus PHY 284 equals PHY 287. Kinematics, dynamics, rigid body motions, energy, and oscillatory motion.

285. *Calculus Concepts in Physics II, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 2 credits. PHY 238, PHY 284, and MTH 214.

Extension of PHY 238 involving calculus concepts. PHY 238 plus PHY 285 equals PHY 288. Electrostatic interactions, magnetic fields: forces and sources, magnetostatics, and electrical circuits.

286. *Calculus Concepts in Physics III, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 2 credits. PHY 239, PHY 285 and MTH 214.

Extension of PHY 239 involving calculus concepts. PHY 239 plus PHY 286 equals PHY 289. Wave Phenomena, photons, atomic states and transitions, quantum mechanics, subatomic phenomena.

287. *Principles of Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 4(5-0) MTH 113.

Mechanics.

287A. *Physics IA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. MTH 113; PHY 281. May not be taken concurrently with PHY 281.

Extensions of PHY 281, plus topics from: frames of reference, special relativity, rocket equation, forced oscillations, resonances, fluid motion, numerical (computer) solutions, moments of inertia, gyroscopic motion.

287B. *Principles of Physics I, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 4 credits. MTH 113

The CBI version of PHY 287. Course content is identical to content of PHY 281 plus PHY 287A.

288. *Principles of Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 4(5-0) PHY 287; MTH 214 or approval of department.

Heat and thermodynamics, electricity and magnetism.

288A. *Physics IIA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. PHY 282, MTH 214 or approval of department. May not be taken concurrently with PHY 282.

Extensions of topics from PHY 282, plus topics from: entropy, transport phenomena, general relativity, electrons, atoms, molecules, solids, electromagnetic fields, energy, alternating currents, numerical (computer) solutions.

288B. *Principles of Physics II, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 4 credits. PHY 287, PHY 287A or PHY 287B, MTH 214 or approval of department.

The CBI version of PHY 288. Course content is identical to content of PHY 282 plus PHY 288A.

289. *Principles of Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 4(5-0) PHY 288; MTH 214 or approval of department.

Wave motion, sound, light, and modern developments.

289A. *Physics IIIA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. PHY 283, MTH 214 or approval of department. May not be taken concurrently with PHY 283.

Extensions of the PHY 283 material plus topics from: spectral origins and analysis, optics, standing wave phenomena, diffraction, quantum mechanics, numerical (computer) solutions, radioactivity, elementary particles.

289B. *Principles of Physics III, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 4 credits. PHY 288, PHY 288A, or PHY 288B, MTH 214 or approval of department.

The CBI version of PHY 289. Course content is identical to content of PHY 283 plus PHY 289A.

291A. *Honors Physics IA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. PHY 287A, MTH 113.

Subjects and topics as in PHY 281 and PHY 287A, generally on a more advanced level.

291B. *Honors Physics IB, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 5 credits. MTH 113.

Combined material of PHY 281 plus PHY 287A plus PHY 291A are taken in one term.

291H. *Physics I*

(291.) Spring. 4(5-0) MTH 214 (honors section recommended) or concurrently.

First of a five-term course sequence in elementary physics consisting of PHY 291, PHY 292, PHY 293, PHY 294 and PHY 395. In this sequence the principles of physics are presented in a unified manner that emphasizes modern concepts. Mechanics, including special relativity.

292A. *Honors Physics IIA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. PHY 288A, MTH 214.

Subjects and topics as in PHY 282 and PHY 288A, generally on a more advanced level.

292B. *Honors Physics IIB, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 5 credits. PHY 291B, MTH 214.

Combined material of PHY 282 plus PHY 288A plus PHY 292A is covered in one term.

292H. *Physics II*

(292.) Fall. 4(5-0) PHY 291H, MTH 215 or concurrently.

Continuation of PHY 291H. Electricity and magnetism with some special relativity.

293A. *Honors Physics IIIA, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 1 credit. PHY 289A, MTH 215.

Subjects and topics as in PHY 283 and PHY 289A, generally on a more advanced level.

293B. *Honors Physics IIIB, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 5 credits. PHY 292B, MTH 215.

Combined material of PHY 283 plus PHY 298A plus PHY 293A is covered in one term.

293H. *Physics III*

(293.) Winter. 4(5-0) PHY 292H.

Continuation of PHY 292H. Wave physics including optics.

294. *Physics IV*

Spring. 4(5-0) PHY 293H or PHY 289.

Continuation of PHY 293H. Introduction to quantum physics.

297. *Principles of Physics Laboratory*

Fall. 1(0-2) PHY 281 or concurrently.

Mechanics.

298. *Principles of Physics Laboratory*

Winter. 1(0-2) PHY 282 or concurrently, PHY 297 or approval of department.

Heat and thermodynamics, electricity and magnetism.

299. *Principles of Physics Laboratory*

Spring. 1(0-2) PHY 283 or concurrently, PHY 297 or approval of department.

Wave motion, sound, light and modern developments.

301. *Bohr and Einstein: The Concept of Nature in Our Day (N)*

Fall. 3(3-0) Juniors.

Basic contemporary ideas about the natural world and their significance for man presented through study of the lives of Niels Bohr (quantum theory) and Albert Einstein (relativity theory).

304. *Special Problems*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 1 to 5 credits. May reenroll for a maximum of 5 credits. Approval of department.

310. *Calculus Concepts in Physics, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 5 credits. PHY 237, PHY 238, PHY 239; MTH 214.

A transition course to prepare students who had non-calculus introductory physics for upper division courses. Discussions and problems in mechanics, electricity and magnetism, wave motion and modern physics. Familiarity with non-calculus introductory physics is assumed.

357. *Topics in Contemporary Physics, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 4 credits. One year of general college physics.

Atomic and nuclear physics, cosmic rays and elementary particles, nuclear energy, new theoretical concepts. Recommended for prospective high school teachers.

364. *Introduction to Modern Physics I*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 289, MTH 215.

Atomic structure; wave and particle aspects of radiant energy; optical and X-ray spectra.

364B. *Introduction to Modern Physics I, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 3 credits. PHY 289, MTH 215.

The CBI version of PHY 364.

365. *Introduction to Modern Physics II*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 364 or PHY 294.

Nuclear, molecular, solid state and elementary particle physics. Special emphasis is given to applications such as reactors, super conductors, semi-conductors, fusion reactions, particle accelerations, etc.

365B. *Introduction to Modern Physics II, CBI*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 3 credits PHY 364 or PHY 364B or PHY 294.

The CBI version of PHY 365.

395. *Physics V*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 293B, or PHY 294, or PHY 364.

Continuation of PHY 294. Thermodynamics and statistical physics.

400H. *Honors Work*

Fall, Winter, Spring. Variable credit.

404. *Special Problems*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 1 to 5 credits. PHY 289 or PHY 293H; approval of department.

419. *Physical Phenomena and Electronic Instrumentation I*

Winter. 4(3-3) PHY 289, PHY 298 or approval of department, MTH 215. Interdepartmental with Electrical Engineering.

Concepts of electronics relative to uses in investigations of physical phenomena and their subsequent applications to provide reliable instrumentation. Nuclear radiation detectors, photometers and magnetometers are examples of specific topics covered.

420. *Physical Phenomena and Electronics Instrumentation II*

Spring. 3(2-3) PHY 419.

Noise and its characterization. Typical electronics instruments are analyzed in detail. A reliable instrument that uses a physical effect is developed by the student.

427. *Intermediate Mechanics*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 289; MTH 310 or concurently.

Statics and dynamics of a particle and of rigid bodies; linear and non-linear oscillations; gravitation from a field point of view; transformation properties of physical quantities; introduction to mathematical techniques of theoretical physics.

428. *Intermediate Mechanics*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 427.

Continuation of PHY 427.

429. *Advanced Mechanics*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 428.

Advanced methods of theoretical mechanics; generalized coordinates; Lagrange's and Hamilton's equations; the wave equation, theory of vibrations.

430. *Introduction to Radioactivity and Radioisotope Techniques*

Spring, Summer. 2(3-0) or 3(3-0) One year each of general college chemistry and physics. Interdepartmental with the Department of Chemistry.

First 7 weeks. Elementary nuclear processes and properties with emphasis on radioactivity, its measurement, and its interaction with matter. Effects of radiation on chemical and biological systems. Applications of nuclear technology, safety and environmental factors. *Last 3 weeks.* Fundamentals of nuclear models, reactions and decay mechanisms. Basic principles of nuclear reactors and accelerators.

431. *Laboratory for Radioactivity and Radioisotope Techniques*

Spring, Summer. 1(0-3) CEM 161, CEM 430 concurrently. CEM 162 recommended. Interdepartmental with the Department of Chemistry.

Introduction to nuclear instrumentation. Experimental techniques for application of radioisotopes to problems in chemistry, the life sciences, and industry.

438. *Geometrical Optics*

Fall. 4(3-3) PHY 289, PHY 299 or approval of department, MTH 215.

Geometrical optics including Fermat's Principle, reflection, refraction, mirrors, thin lenses, thick lenses, aberrations, and the effects of apertures and stops.

439. *Physical Optics*

Winter. 4(3-3) PHY 289, PHY 299 or approval of department, MTH 215.

Physical optics including Huygens-Fresnel Principles, interference, diffraction, and coherence. Additional topics will be selected from Fourier transforms of wave forms, convolution, diffraction and image formation, spatial filtering, holography and polarization.

447. *Electricity and Magnetism I*

Winter. 4(4-0) 18 credits in PHY 281 and above.

Advanced study of electromagnetic phenomena; electrostatic potentials from Laplace's and Poisson's equations; effects of dielectric and magnetic materials; magnetic fields and potentials; induced e.m.f.; Maxwell's equations; electromagnetic radiation and waves.

448. *Electricity and Magnetism II*

Spring. 4(4-0) PHY 447.

Continuation of PHY 447.

457G. *Advanced Physics Laboratory (General)*

Fall. 3(1-6) 15 credits in PHY 281 and above including PHY 298 and PHY 299.

Experiments in modern physics of historical interest and in general physics research techniques. Emphasizes experimental methods and proper treatment of data. Independent work encouraged.

457N. *Advanced Physics Laboratory (Nuclear)*

Winter. 3(1-6) 15 credits in PHY 281 and above including PHY 298 and PHY 299.

Experiments in nuclear physics. Detection of nuclear radiation and determination of nuclear properties. Emphasizes research methods and proper treatment and interpretation of data. Independent work encouraged.

457S. *Advanced Physics Laboratory (Solid State)*

Spring. 3(1-6) 15 credits in PHY 281 and above including PHY 298 and PHY 299.

Experiments in low temperature and solid state physics. Emphasizes research methods and proper treatment and interpretation of data. Independent work encouraged.

491. *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics I*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 294 or PHY 364; MTH 310 or concurrently.

Schroedinger wave equation and its applications; angular momentum; one electron atoms; moments and spin; perturbation methods; absorption and emission of radiation; atomic and molecular structure.

492. *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics II*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 491.

Continuation of PHY 491.

493. *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics III*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 492.

Continuation of PHY 492.

496. *Introduction to Solid State Physics*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 364 or PHY 294.

Crystal structure and binding, lattice dynamics, thermal properties, free-electron and band models of metals and semiconductors, magnetism, optical properties, superconductivity, lattice defects.

497. *Introduction to Elementary Particle Physics*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 294 or PHY 364 or PHY 491.

Relativistic kinematics, invariance principles. Phenomenological analysis of elementary particle interactions with matter. Weak, electomagnetic and strong interactions. High energy accelerators and techniques in experimental high energy physics.

498. *Introduction to Nuclear Physics*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 294 or PHY 364 or PHY 491.

Interactions of nuclear radiations with matter; properties of nuclei; alpha, beta, gamma decay; nuclear models; nuclear reactions and elementary applications of scattering theory; reactors accelerators; introduction to high-energy physics.

800. *Research Methods*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 2(0-6) May reenroll for a maximum of 6 credits. Beginning graduate students. Interdepartmental with Astronomy and Astrophysics.

Problems and techniques of current research by taking part in the design and setup of experiments, data taking and reduction; study and practice of theoretical methods. Areas of study: solid state and molecular structure, nuclear, elementary particles, astronomy, astrophysics.

817. *Techniques of Theoretical Physics*

Fall. 3(3-0) Graduate students; or approval of department.

Application of contour integration to physical problems; basic concepts in theoretical formulation of quantum mechanical systems; solution of physical problem using Green's Functions, the delta function, series, integral transforms.

827. *Theoretical Physics I*

Summer of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 428 or approval of department.

Vector analysis, mechanics of a particle and of systems of particles. Lagrange's equations, Hamiltonian methods, rotational motion.

828. *Theoretical Physics II*

Summer of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 448 or approval of department.

Special relativity, Maxwell's equations, electrodynamics and electromagnetic waves.

829. *Thermal and Statistical Physics*

Winter. 3(3-0) Approval of department.

Principles of thermodynamics; topics in kinetic theory; introduction to statistical mechanics.

837. *Quantum Mechanics I*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 428, PHY 491.

The formulation of quantum mechanics, superposition principle, state vector and representations; uncertainty principle; Schroedinger equation and its solution for physical systems.

838. *Quantum Mechanics II*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 837.

Approximation methods, perturbation theory, applications to atomic transitions, angular momentum.

839. *Quantum Mechanics III*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 838.

Collision processes and scattering theory, applications; many-particle systems.

840. *Symmetry in Solid State Physics*

Spring of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) Graduates or approval of department.

Translational symmetry and Bloch's Theorem, reciprocal lattice, Brillouin zones; point groups, representations, character tables, molecular vibrations, group of the wave vectors and band theory of solids, crystal fields.

847. *Electromagnetic Theory I*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 428, PHY 448.

Electrostatics; Laplace's equation, Poisson's equation; Green's theorem; solution of problems by method of images; inversion; boundary-value problems in Cartesian, spherical and cylindrical coordinates; spherial harmonics; Bessel functions.

848. *Electromagnetic Theory II*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 847.

Multipoles and multipole expansions; electrostatics of macroscopic materials, dielectrics, magnetostatics, vector potential, magnetic moments, Maxwell's equations for time-varying fields, energy and momentum conservation. Plane electromagnetic waves and polarization.

849. *Electromagnetic Theory III*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 848.

Wave guides and resonant cavities, boundary-value problems. Simple radiating systems, antennas. Special relativity, covariance of electrodynamics, transformation of electromagnetic fields. Radiation by moving charges, Lienard-Wiechert potentials.

850. *Electrodynamics of Plasmas I*

Fall. 3(3-0) E E 835 or PHY 448; E E 874. Interdepartmental with Astronomy and Astrophysics, and Electrical Engineering. Administered by Electrical Engineering.

Boltzmann equation; moment equations; two-fluid theory of plasma, waves in cold, warm and anisotropic infinite plasma; waves in bounded plasma structures, energy flow in anisotropic plasmas.

857. *Theoretical Mechanics I*

Winter. 3(3-0)

Two-body central force problems, rigid body motion, small oscillations, Hamilton's principle, Lagrangian and Hamiltonian formalism for particles and fields, canonical transformations, relativity.

858. *Theoretical Mechanics II*

Spring. 3(3-0) Approval of department.

Hamiltonian formalism for particles and fields, variational methods, canonical transformations, small oscillators, classical fields, relativity.

860. *General Relativity and Cosmology I*

Fall of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 858 or approval of department. Interdepartmental with Astronomy and Astrophysics.

Conceptual foundations of general relativity theory; elements of tensor calculus; Riemann-Chistoffel curvature tensor; the field equations; experimental tests; special solutions; the extension to cosmology.

861. *General Relativity and Cosmology II*

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 860. Interdepartmental with Astronomy and Astrophysics.

Relativistic cosmology: the model universes; steady-state theory; observational evidence and possibilities for decision among models; current problems.

867. *Quantum Mechanics IV*

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 839.

Transformation theory and invariance principles; the rotation group and theory of angular momentum; Wigner-Eckart theorem and applications.

868. *Relativistic Quantum Mechanics*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 867.

Relativistic equations of motion; Dirac Equation, free particle solutions and Lorentz transformation properties; interaction with electromagnetic fields; quantization of scalar, electromagnetic and Dirac fields.

869. *Quantized Fields*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 868.

Heisenberg representation, S-matrix reduction formulae, Feynman rules, quantum electrodynamics; topics from many-body theory.

877. *Statistical Mechanics I*

Fall. 3(3-0) Approval of department.

Necessity of statistical considerations, ensembles, probability distributions and density matrices, Liouville's equation, equilibrium distributions, microscopic basis of thermodynamics; applications to thermodynamics of spin systems.

878. *Statistical Mechanics II*

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 877.

Applications to thermodynamic properties of ideal classical and quantum gases, and to imperfect gases and interacting spin systems. Nonequilibrium dstributions and transport theory, the Boltzmann equation, Kubo's linear response theory, Onsager's relations.

879. *Statistical Mechanics III*

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 878.

Special topics chosen at discretion of instructor. Topics may include phase transitions, critical phenomena and renormalization group techniques; Green's function and diagrammatic techniques for interacting systems.

899. *Master's Thesis Research*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. Variable credit. Approval of department.

927. *Elementary Particle Physics*

Fall of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 869.

Properties of elementary particles; invariance principles and conservation laws; strong, electromagnetic, and weak interactions; pion physics.

928. *Elementary Particle Physics*

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 927.

Baryon and meson resonances, unitary symmetry, dispersion relations.

929. *Elementary Particle Physics*

Spring of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 928.

Selected current topics, partial wave amplitudes and Regge poles; current algebra and weak interactions.

937. *Molecular Structure and Spectra I*

Fall of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 837 or concurrently.

Structure and spectra of diatomic molecules.

938. *Molecular Structure and Spectra II*

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 937.

Structure and spectra of polyatomic molecules.

947. *Solid State Physics I*

Fall of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 839 and PHY 840.

Crystal symmetry, crystal binding, lattice vibrations and specific heat, one-electon theory; Hartee-Fock equation, Brillouin zones.

948. *Solid State Physics II*

Winter of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 947.

Effective mass appoximation. Exchange and correlation corrections. Theory of conductivity and related effect, metals and semiconductors.

949. *Solid State Physics III*

Spring of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 948.

Ionic crystals. Imperfections in crystals, plastic deformations, color centers. Optical properties. Rectification, transistors, selected topics.

957. *Nuclear Physics I*

Fall of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 867.

Nucleon-nucleon scattering, nuclear sizes and shapes, multipole moments; shell model; collective states.

958. *Nuclear Physics II*

Winter of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 957.

Experimental methods and instrumentation; nuclear reactions; inelastic scattering and particle transfer.

959. *Nuclear Physics III*

Spring of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 958.

Many-body methods in nuclear physics; Bethe-Goldstone equation; effective interaction; nuclear models.

984. *Advanced Readings in Physics or Astronomy*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. Variable credit. Interdepartmental with Astromony and Astrophysics.

987. *Advanced Topics in Physics*

Fall, Winter, Spring. 3(3-0) or 4(4-0)

In any one term this course will be devoted to a single topic, such as advanced quantum theory, quantum electrodynamics, specialized topics in solid state physics, statistical mechanics, relativity theory and cosmology.

989. *Electrodynamics of Plasmas II*

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) E E 850. Interdepartmental with Astronomy and Astrophysics, and Electrical Engineering. Administered by Electrical Engineering.

One fluid plasma model, magnetohydrodynamics, Maxwell's stress tensor, low frequency waves, transport phenomena, Landau damping, collision and rate coefficients. Diffusions in a magnetic field; investigation of dc, rf and microwave discharges.

999. *Doctoral Dissertation Research*

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. Variable credit. Approval of department.

Astronomy and Astrophysics AST

115. *Exploring Cosmology*

Spring. 2(2-0) Not open to engineering or physical science majors.

Nonmathematical view of the origin, history, and overall structure of the universe, based on the Big Bang model of cosmology.

117. *Introductory Observing*

Fall, Spring. 2(1-2) AST 119, or AST 217, or AST 229 or concurrently and approval of department.

Observations of celestial objects, constellation identification, and occasional planetarium exercises.

119. General Astronomy (N)

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 4(4-0) Not open to engineering or physical science majors. Students may not receive credit in more than one of the following: AST 119, AST 217, AST 229.

A qualitative presentation of man's current view of the universe including birth and death of stars, cosmology, comparisons of planets, and life in the universe.

120. Topics in Astronomy

Winter, Spring. 4(4-0) AST 119.

Detailed qualitative discussion of currently interesting topics in astronomy. May include such topics as quasars, pulsars, black holes, planetary exploration, cosmology, concepts of relativity.

217. General Astronomy (N)

Fall, Winter, Spring. 4(4-0) MTH 109 or MTH 111. Students may not receive credit in more than one of the following: AST 119, AST 217, AST 229.

Intended primarily for physical science majors. A semiquantitative presentation of current views of the universe including birth and death of stars, cosmology, comparisons of planets, and life in the universe.

229. General Astronomy

Fall. 4(4-0) PHY 287 or PHY 291H or concurrently; MTH 113. Students may not receive credit in more than one of the following: AST 119, AST 217, AST 229.

Fundamental observations in astronomy and their interpretation through physical laws. Intended for physical science majors and recommended for astrophysics majors. Quantitative discussion of orbital motion, time, telescopes, solar system, stars, galaxies, and cosmology. Limited opportunity for astronomical observations.

237. Introductory Observatory Laboratory

Fall. 1(0-3) AST 217 or AST 229 or concurrently.

Photographic and spectroscopic telescopic observations. Darkroom processing.

327. Practical Astronomy

Winter. 3(3-0) AST 217 or AST 229, MTH 113.

Celestial coordinate systems. Time conversion and sidereal time. Atmospheric refraction, parallax, proper motion, aberration, and precession. Star catalogs and ephemerides. Finding charts and setting of equatorial telescopes.

378. Contemporary Astronomy

Winter. 3(3-0) AST 217 or AST 229.

A continuation of General Astronomy with particular emphasis on modern developments. May include such topics as planetary exploration, interstellar matter, star formation, stellar evolution through final stages, supernovae, pulsars, neutron stars, black holes, galaxies, and cosmology.

437. Observatory Practice

Spring. 3(1-4) AST 327 and approval of department.

Stellar photography. Photographic photometry. Photoelectric photometry and corrections for atmospheric extinction. Multicolor photometric systems. Astronomical spectroscopy and radial velocity determinations.

451. Solar System Astrophysics

Fall. 3(3-0) PHY 427 or concurrently or approval of department.

Application of physical principles to the study of the planets, satellites, asteroids, comets, and interplanetary dust and gas. Mechanics of solar system objects.

452. Stellar and Interstellar Astrophysics

Winter. 3(3-0) PHY 364 or PHY 294 and PHY 395 or approval of department.

Emission, absorption and transfer of radiation in stars and the interstellar medium. Application of physical principles to the study of the interstellar medium and stellar interiors. Evolution of stars.

453. High-Energy Astrophysics

Spring. 3(3-0) PHY 364 or PHY 294 and PHY 395 or approval of department.

Application of fundamental physical laws of mechanics, gravitation, and electromagnetism to the dynamics of star systems, X-ray and radio sources such as galaxies and close binary stars, and to cosmology.

490. Special Problems

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 1 to 5 credits. May reenroll for a maximum of 10 credits. Approval of department.

Individual study or project under the direction of a faculty member. An oral report on the work may be required in department seminar.

800. Research Methods

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 2(0-6) May reenroll for a maximum of 6 credits. Beginning graduate students. Interdepartmental with and administered by Physics.

Problems and techniques of current research by taking part in the design and setup of experiments, data taking and reduction; study and practice of theoretical methods. Areas of study: solid state and molecular structure, nuclear, elementary particles, astronomy, astrophysics.

801. Seminar

Winter. 1(1-0) May reenroll for a maximum of 2 credits. Graduate students or approval of department.

Seminars to be presented by both faculty and students to review papers in the current astronomical research literature.

820. Advanced Topics in Astrophysics

Winter. 3(3-0) May reenroll for a maximum of 15 credits. AST 452 or PHY 395 or PHY 429 or approval of department.

Possible topics include dynamics of stars in galaxies, astrophysical fluid dynamics, quasar theory, stellar atmospheres, stellar interiors, stellar spectroscopy, and stellar photometry.

850. Electrodynamics of Plasmas I

Fall. 3(3-0) E E 835 or PHY 448; E E 874. Interdepartmental with Electrical Engineering, and Physics. Administered by Electrical Engineering.

Boltzmann equation; moment equations; two-fluid theory of plasma, waves in cold, warm and anisotropic infinite plasma; waves in bounded plasma structures, energy flow in anisotropic plasmas.

860. General Relativity and Cosmology I

Fall of even-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 858 or approval of department. Interdepartmental with and administered by Physics.

Conceptual foundations of general relativity theory; elements of tensor calculus; Riemann-Christoffel curvature tensor; the field equations; experimental tests; special solutions; the extension to cosmology.

861. General Relativity and Cosmology II

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) PHY 860. Interdepartmental with and administered by Physics.

Relativistic cosmology: the model universes; stead-state theory; observational evidence and possibilities for decision among models; current problems.

984. Advanced Readings in Physics or Astronomy

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. Variable credit. Interdepartmental with and administered by Physics.

989. Electrodynamics of Plasmas II

Winter of odd-numbered years. 3(3-0) E E 850. Interdepartmental with Electrical Engineering, and Physics. Administered by Electrical Engineering.

One fluid plasma model, magnetohydrodynamics, Maxwell's stress tensor, low frequency waves, transport phenomena, Landau damping, collision and rate coefficients. Diffusions in a magnetic field; investigation of dc, rf and microwave discharges.

PHYSIOLOGY PSL

College of Human Medicine
College of Natural Science
College of Osteopathic Medicine
College of Veterinary Medicine

240. Introductory Physiology

Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) Sophomores or approval of department.

Physiology of the cell, nerve and reflex activity, skeletal muscle, brain, and cardiovascular system emphasizing environmental influences such as disease and exercise.

241. Introductory Physiology

Winter. Summer of even-numbered years. 4(4-0) PSL 240 or approval of department.

Continuation of PLS 240. Physiology of respiration, digestion, metabolism, kidney, endocrinology, and reproduction.

323. Physiology, Anatomy, and Hygiene of the Eye

Fall. Summer of even-numbered years. 3(2-2) PSL 240; Elementary Education or Special Education major, or approval of department.

Basic course in anatomy, physiology, and hygiene of the visual system; includes discussion of normal visual functioning and abnormal visual functioning, with methods of correction and education implications.

401. Comparative Physiology I

Fall. 4(3-4) PSL 240 or B S 212; CEM 131 or CEM 141. Interdepartmental with the Department of Zoology.

A comparison of osmoregulation, digestion, respiration, and other physiological processes in a wide range of organisms.

402. Comparative Physiology II

Winter. 4(4-0) PSL 401 or approval of department. Interdepartmental with and administered by the Department of Zoology.

A comparison of sensory, motor, endocrine and other integrative mechanisms in animals.