

PHY 241: University Physics III

Course and Faculty Information

Course Description: This course provides an introduction to thermodynamics, kinetic theory, physical and wave optics, relativity, photons, matter waves, atomic physics. This course builds on knowledge of mechanics and electric and magnetic fields. It presents principles of physics and topics that are important for a modern education in a science/engineering curriculum.

Credits: 3

Prerequisites:

- PHY 131
- MAT 266 or MAT 271 with C or better; PHY 121 with C or better; Pre/Co-requisite: MAT 267 or MAT 272 with C or better if completed.
- Students are required to have passed the previous course, PHY-131: University Physics II. For PHY 131 and PHY 241, a strong background in calculus is necessary as well as familiarity with vectors and trigonometry.

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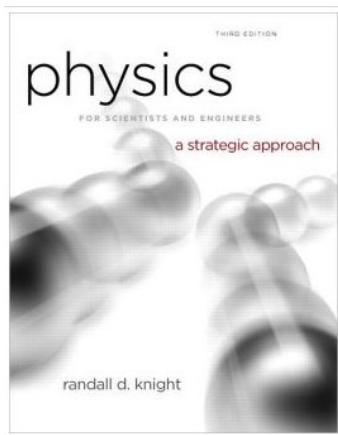
Course Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand how work, heat and energy is transformed into each other and transferred.
- Understand macroscopic thermodynamic properties of solids, liquids and gases in terms of the microscopic motion of atoms and molecules.
- Understand the principle of superposition, and how it leads to interference, diffraction and standing waves in string waves, sound waves and light waves.
- Understand the principles of relativity: the speed of light is constant and all the laws of physics are the same in all inertial frames of reference.

- Apply the principles of relativity to solve problems of time dilation and length contraction.
- Understand rest energy, kinetic energy and the conversion of mass and energy.
- Understand that photons have quantized energy and are emitted and adsorbed in an all-or-nothing basis.
- Understand quantized levels in atoms and light emission and absorption.
- Understand the wave nature of matter and the uncertainty principle.
- Understand the wave function as related to probability density for quantum systems.
- Apply Schrodinger's equation to understand the wave function for some one dimensional systems.

Textbooks/Materials



Title: Physics for Scientists and Engineers **with Modern Physics**

Author: Randall D. Knight

Publisher: Pearson, 3rd Edition

Homework, and Practice Tests: are online with MasteringPhysics.

Assignments are handled through access to the homework system MasteringPhysics. Students must have an account with this system from the very first day of classes.

To sign up for Mastering Physics and the etext:

Select the Pearson Access tab (on the course Canvas site).

When prompted to sign into Pearson, you may

- o Select Create to create a new account.
- o Sign in with a pre-existing Pearson account.
- o Retrieve a forgotten username or password.

After linking your accounts, select Go to My Courses to launch into the course.
All future

access to MyLab or Mastering will always take place through the 'Pearson Access' tab on the Canvas course menu.

A scientific calculator is required for homework.

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Course Access

This is an i-course. All content is available on-line. Tests will be administered on campus at set times in the Physics Testing Center.

Your ASU courses can be accessed by both my.asu.edu ([Links to an external site.](#)) and asu.instructure.com; bookmark both in the event that one site is down.

Computer Requirements

The online content requires a computer with internet access and the following technologies:

- Web browsers ([Chrome \(Links to an external site.\)](#), [Mozilla Firefox \(Links to an external site.\)](#), or [Safari \(Links to an external site.\)](#))
- [Adobe Acrobat Reader \(Links to an external site.\)](#) (free)
- [Adobe Flash Player \(Links to an external site.\)](#) (free)
- Webcam, microphone, headset/earbuds, and speaker
- Microsoft Office ([Microsoft 365 is free \(Links to an external site.\)](#) for all currently-enrolled ASU students)
- Reliable broadband internet connection (DSL or cable) to stream videos.

Note: A smartphone, iPad, Chromebook, etc. may not be sufficient for completing your online assignments. While you will be able to access course content with mobile devices, you should use a computer for all assignments.

Technical Specifications

- PC Users: A well-working computer running Windows XP or higher with 1024 MB of RAM or higher.
- Mac Users: A well-working computer running Mac OS X or higher.
- A web cam with 640x480 video pixel resolution (web cams built into laptops or monitors are acceptable).
- Headphones or working speakers connected to the computer.
- A microphone connected to the computer (your web cam or laptop may already have one built into it).
- A reliable high speed internet connection (minimum 768 Kbps/384 Kbps Download/Upload).

- A web browser with Adobe Flash Player installed.

Student Success

To be successful:

- check the course daily
- read announcements
- read and respond to course email messages as needed
- complete assignments by the due dates specified
- communicate regularly with your instructor and peers
- create a study and/or assignment schedule to stay on track

Grading

Your grade will be determined based on the following grading schema:

Grade	Percentage
A+	97.0 – 100%
A	92.0 – 96.99%
A-	87.0 – 91.99%
B+	82.0 – 86.99%
B	77.0 - 81.99%
B-	72.0 - 76.99%
C+	68.0 - 71.99%
C	63.0 - 67.99%
D	56.0 - 62.99%

Grading Procedure

The final grade will be determined from the homework assignments (30%), tests (40%), and the final exam (30%).

- - **Homework (30%):** There will be a total of thirteen (13) assignments, one per each chapter, which will all count towards your final grade. Scores from the Mastering Tutorial and practice tests will be added to homework points without increasing the total possible. The maximum score including extra credit can be no more the 100%. Late homework within 24 hrs of the submission deadline will receive a 25% deduction. Late homework submitted more than 24 hrs after the submission deadline and before the final exam day will receive a 50% deduction.

- **Tests (40%):** There will be three mid-term tests (through Canvas). **All tests/exams will be in the Physics Testing Center (PSH 563). An equation sheet will be provided for each test.**
- **Final Exam (30%)** The Final will be in the Physics Testing Center (PSH563). **A comprehensive equation sheet will be provided.**
- **Course Grade:** Total Percent = $(0.30 \times \text{Final Exam}) + (0.40 \times \text{Test Average}) + (0.30 \times \text{Homework percent})$ (note: tests are corrected to 100 pts maximum before averaging, homework percent includes extra points but is limited to no more than 100%).

Submitting Assignments

All assignments, unless otherwise announced, **MUST** be submitted through Mastering Physics. Do not submit an assignment via email.

Assignment due dates follow Arizona Standard time. Click the following link to access the [Time Converter \(Links to an external site.\)](#) to ensure you account for the difference in Time Zones. Note: Arizona does not observe daylight savings time.

Grading Procedure

Grades reflect your performance on assignments and adherence to deadlines. Grades on assignments will be available within 72 hours of the due date in the Gradebook.

Late or Missed Assignments

Notify the instructor **BEFORE** an assignment is due if an urgent situation arises and you are unable to submit the assignment on time.

Follow the appropriate University policies to request an [accommodation for religious practices \(Links to an external site.\)](#) or to accommodate a missed assignment [due to University-sanctioned activities \(Links to an external site.\)](#).

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Course Topics & Schedule

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PHY 241 Spring 2023 Course Schedule

	Date	Day	Readings/Assignments/Tests
Week 1			(1/9 - 1/13)
	9-Jan	Mon	Course starts
			Ch 16: A Macroscopic Description of Matter
	12-Jan	Thurs	Mastering Tutorial
Week 2			(1/18 - 1/21)
	17-Jan	Tues	Ch 16 Homework
			Ch 17: Work, Heat, and the First Law of Thermodynamics
Week 3			(1/23 - 1/27)
	24-Jan	Tues	Ch 17 Homework
			Ch 18: The Micro/Macro Connection
Week 4			(1/30 - 2/03)
	31-Jan	Tues	Ch 18 Homework
			Ch 19: Heat Engines and Refrigerators
Week 5			(2/06 - 2/10)
	07-Feb	Tues	Ch 19 Homework
	08-Feb	Wed	Practice Test 1
	09 Feb	Thurs	TEST 1 – Physics Testing Center
			Ch 20: Traveling Waves
Week 6			(2/13 - 2/17)
	14-Feb	Tues	Ch 20 Homework
			Ch 21: Superposition
Week 7			(2/21 - 2/25)
	21-Feb	Tues	Ch 21 Homework
			Ch 22: Wave Optics
Week 8			(2/27 - 3/03)
	28-feb	Tues	Ch 22 Homework
			Ch 23: Ray Optics
Spring Break			(3/06 - 3/10)
Week 9			(3/13 - 3/17)

	14-Mar	Tues	Ch 23 Homework
	15-Mar	Wed	Practice Test 2
	16 Mar	Thurs	TEST 2 – – Physics Testing Center
			Ch 36: Relativity
Week 10			(3/20 - 3/24)
	21-Mar	Tues	Ch 36 Homework
			Ch 37: The Foundations of Modern Physics
Week 11			(3/27 - 3/31)
	28-Mar	Tues	Ch 37 Homework
			Ch 38: Quantization
Week 12			(4/03 - 4/07)
	04-Apr	Tues	Ch 38 Homework
			Ch 39: Wave Functions and Uncertainty
Week 13			(4/10- 4/14)
	11-Apr	Tues	Ch 39 Homework
Week 14			(4/17- 4/21)
	19-Apr	Wed	Practice Test 3
	20 Apr	Thurs	TEST 3 – Physics Testing Center
			Ch 40: One-Dimensional Quantum Mechanics
Week 15			(4/24- 4/28)
	26-Apr	Wed	Ch 40 Homework
Week 16			(5/02 - 5/06)
	04-May	Thurs	Final Exam – Physics Testing Center

Communicating With the Instructor

Yellowdig Engage

This course uses a discussion forum called "Yellowdig Engage" for general questions and comments about the course. Questions related to HW problems are appropriate and the course has experienced TAs who will provide comments and help in addition to your classmates. Prior to posting a question or comment, check the syllabus, announcements, and existing posts to ensure it's not redundant. You are encouraged to respond to the questions of your classmates.

Note that email to the instructor (robert.nemanich@asu.edu) may be more appropriate for personal or individual questions.

Email

ASU email is an [official means of communication \(Links to an external site.\)](#) among students, faculty, and staff. Students are expected to read and act upon email in a timely fashion. Students bear the responsibility of missed messages and should check their ASU-assigned email regularly.

All instructor correspondence will be sent to your ASU email account.

Accessibility Statements

View the [ASU Online Student Accessibility \(Links to an external site.\)](#) page to review accessibility statements for common tools and resources used in ASU Online courses.

If any other tools are used in this course, links to the accessibility statements will be listed below this sentence.

Title IX and University Policy on Discrimination and Harassment

Title IX is a federal law that provides that no person be excluded on the basis of sex from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity. Both Title IX and university policy make clear that sexual violence and harassment based on sex is prohibited. An individual who believes they have been subjected to sexual violence or harassed on the basis of sex can seek support, including counseling and academic support, from the university. If you or someone you know has been harassed on the basis of sex or sexually assaulted, you can find information and resources

at <https://sexualviolenceprevention.asu.edu/faqs> [\(Links to an external site.\)](#).

As a mandated reporter, I am obligated to report any information I become aware of regarding alleged acts of sexual discrimination, including sexual violence and dating violence. ASU Counseling Services, <https://eoss.asu.edu/counseling> [\(Links to an external site.\)](#) is available if you wish to discuss any concerns confidentially and privately. ASU online students may access 360 Life

Services, <https://goto.asuonline.asu.edu/success/online-resources.html> [\(Links to an external site.\)](#).

Syllabus Disclaimer

The syllabus is a statement of intent and serves as an implicit agreement between the instructor and the student. Every effort will be made to avoid changing the course schedule but the possibility exists that unforeseen events will make syllabus changes necessary. Remember to check your ASU email and the course site often.