

**Syllabus**  
**GENERAL PHYSICS I, PHY 221 – 01**

**Fall 2006**

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<b>TA Hours:</b>	On Wednesday, by arrangement.
<b>Text (required):</b>	Serway, Physics for Scientist and Engineers Sixth Ed. Saunders College Publishing,
<b>Course Prerequisites:</b>	Calculus I , Calculus II

**General Description:**

Calculus-based Physics course, taken by physics, mathematics, computer science and engineering majors; light, optics, light interference, diffraction, and introduction to modern physics.

**Course Objectives:**

After completing this course students should be able to:

1. know and understand basic physical processes and phenomena.
2. solve simple physics problem by applying both theoretical and experimental techniques.
3. acquire skills needed to read physics literature and to work with tables and physical quantities.
4. understand and to use physical laws governing real process and to describe them mathematically.

**Course Format:**

This course integrates lectures, laboratory, exercises (Web Assignment), Problem Sessions (in-class with the TA). Note that there will be only one grade given for this course.

### Additional materials:

Scientific calculator, drawing instruments (ruler, protractor, and compass), and student version of MATHCAD software (publisher: Mathsoft Engineering & Education, Inc.)

### Problem Solving Session, Laboratory reports, Homework, Group Project, Presentation, and Evaluation.

- **Each week**, there will be either **one Problem Solving** or **one Laboratory**. The corresponding report will be due one week after it has been assigned unless otherwise posted. Credit will be given for both the attendance and the corresponding report.
- The combined grade for the Labs will be 11.4% of the total grade.
- The combined grade for the Problem Solving will be 11.4% of the total grade.
- One Group Project will be made by each group of two students. They will present their work at the end of the semester of the group project. Together (presentation and work quality) will count for 10% of the grade.
- **Bonus:** Points will be added to a student's grade for contribution in the classroom. Attendance affects the amount of bonus points.
- The combined grade for the Quizzes will be 11.4% of the total grade.
- Homework will be assigned every week and will be due the one week after it has been assigned unless otherwise posted. Homework will count for 17.1% of the total grade
- There will be four quizzes given based on groups of chapters (i.e. Chs. 1- 4). The final will be cumulative, which amounts to about 11.4% of the grade.
- Mid-term and Final Exam will count for 20% of the grade.

### Summary of the Evaluation:

	% of final grade
<b>Laboratory Reports:</b>	11.4
<b>Problem Solving (with TA):</b>	14.3
<b>Web Assignment:</b>	11.4
<b>Group Project:</b>	7.1
<b>Presentation:</b>	2.9
<b>Bonus:</b>	4.3
<b>Homework:</b>	17.1
<b>Quizzes:</b>	11.4
<b>Exams (mid-term and Final):</b>	20.0
<b>Total:</b>	100

## **Lateness:**

Any work turned in late will only count for half credit. A student, who is absent on the due date of the assignment may turn in the assignment by the next class only if the student has a valid excuse.

Late work will only be accepted **no later than one week** after the assignment is due.

## **GENERAL PHYSICS I, PHY 221-01**

### **PART 1: MECHANICS**

#### **Chapter 1 Physics and Measurement**

Standards of Length, Mass, and Time  
Matter and Model Building  
Density and Atomic Mass  
Dimensional Analysis, Units, and Conversion of Units  
Estimates and Order-of-Magnitude Calculations  
Significant Figures , Significant Digits

#### **Chapter 2 Motion in One Dimension**

Position, Velocity, and Speed  
Instantaneous Velocity and Speed  
Acceleration  
Motion Diagrams  
One-Dimensional Motion with Constant Acceleration  
Freely Falling Objects  
Kinematic Equations Derived from Calculus  
General Problem-Solving Strategy

#### **Chapter 3: Vectors**

Coordinate Systems  
Vector and Scalar Quantities  
Some Properties of Vectors  
Components of a Vector and Unit Vectors

#### **Chapter4: Motion in Two Dimensions**

The Position, Velocity, and Acceleration Vectors  
Two-Dimensional Motion with Constant Acceleration  
Projectile Motion  
Uniform Circular Motion  
Tangential and Radial Acceleration  
Relative Velocity and Relative Acceleration

## **Chapter 5: The Law of Motion**

The Laws at Motion  
The Concept of Force  
Newton's First Law and Inertial Frames  
Mass  
Newton's Second Law  
The Gravitational Force and Weight  
Newton's Third Law  
Some Applications of Newton's Laws  
Forces of Friction

## **Chapter 6: Circular Motion and Other Applications of Newton's Laws**

Newton's Second Law Applied to Uniform Circular Motion  
Nonuniform Circular Motion  
Motion in Accelerated Frames  
Motion in the Presence of Resistive Forces  
Numerical Modeling in Particle Dynamics

## **Chapter 7: Energy and Energy Transfer**

Systems and Environments  
Work Done by a Constant Force  
The Scalar Product of Two Vectors  
Work Done by a Varying Force  
Kinetic Energy and the Work-Kinetic Energy Theorem  
The Nonisolated System-Conservation of Energy  
Situations Involving Kinetic Friction  
Power  
Energy and the Automobile

## **Chapter 8: Potential Energy**

Potential Energy of a System  
The Isolated System-Conservation of Mechanical Energy  
Conservative and Non-conservative Forces  
Changes in Mechanical Energy for Non-conservative Forces  
Relationship Between Conservative Forces Potential Energy  
Energy Diagrams and Equilibrium of a System

## **Chapter 9: Linear Momentum and Collisions**

Linear Momentum and Its Conservation  
Impulse and Momentum  
Collisions in One Dimension  
Two-Dimensional Collisions  
The Center of Mass  
Motion of a System of Particles  
Rocket Propulsion

## **Chapter 10: Rotation of a Rigid Object About a Fixed Axis**

Angular Position, Velocity, and Acceleration  
Rotational Kinematics: Rotational Motion with Constant Angular Acceleration  
Angular and Linear Quantities  
Rotational Kinetic Energy  
Calculation of Moments of Inertia  
Torque  
Relationship Between Torque and Angular Acceleration  
Work, Power, and Energy in Rotational Motion  
Rolling Motion of a Rigid Object

## **Chapter 11: Angular Momentum**

The Vector Product and Torque  
Angular Momentum  
Angular Momentum of a Rotating Rigid Object  
Conservation of Angular Momentum  
The Motion of Gyroscopes and Tops  
Angular Momentum as a Fundamental Quantity

## **Chapter 12: Static Equilibrium and Elasticity**

The Conditions for Equilibrium  
More on the Center of Gravity  
Examples of Rigid Objects in Static Equilibrium  
Elastic Properties of Solids

## **Chapter 13: Universal Gravitation**

Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation  
Measuring the Gravitational Constant  
Free-Fall Acceleration and the Gravitational Force  
Kepler's Laws and the Motion of Planets  
The Gravitational Field  
Gravitational Potential Energy  
Energy Considerations in Planetary and Satellite Motion

## **Chapter 14: Fluid Mechanics**

Pressure  
Variation of Pressure with Depth  
Pressure Measurements  
Buoyant Forces and Archimedes's Principle  
Fluid Dynamics  
Bernoulli's Equation  
Other Applications of Fluid Dynamics

## **PART - II: OSCILLATIONS AND MECHANICAL WAVES**

### **Chapter 1: Oscillatory Motion**

Motion of an Object Attached to a Spring  
Mathematical Representation of Simple Harmonic Motion  
Energy of the Simple Harmonic Oscillator  
Comparing Simple Harmonic Motion with Uniform Circular Motion  
The Pendulum  
Damped Oscillations  
Forced Oscillations

### **Chapter 2: Wave Motion**

Propagation of a Disturbance  
Sinusoidal Waves  
The Speed of Waves on Strings  
Reflection and Transmission  
Rate of Energy Transfer by Sinusoidal Waves on Strings  
The Linear Wave Equation

### **Chapter 3: Sound Waves**

Speed of Sound Waves  
Periodic Sound Waves  
Intensity of Periodic Sound Waves  
The Doppler Effect  
Digital Sound Recording  
Motion Picture Sound

## **Chapter 4: Superposition and Standing Waves**

Superposition and Interference  
Standing Waves  
Standing Waves in a String Fixed at Both Ends  
Resonance  
Standing Waves in Air Columns  
Standing Waves in Rods and Membranes  
Beats: Interference in Time  
Nonsinusoidal Wave Patterns

## **Supplement A: Hands-on MATHCAD**

### **Supplement B**

Conversion Factors  
Symbols, Dimensions, and Units of Physical Quantities  
Table of Atomic Masses

## **Supplement C: Mathematics Review**

Scientific Notation  
Algebra  
Geometry  
Trigonometry  
Series Expansions  
Differential Calculus  
Integral Calculus  
Propagation of Uncertainty