



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Arts & Science
Department of Physics & Astronomy

PHYS-104-001
General College Physics 1
Fall 2023

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is available on the web @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/phys.html>

Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

1. Instructor Information

(a) Instructor	Jean-Marc (JM) Miszaniec
(b) Office hours	Monday 10 -11 AM or By Appointment / Drop-in
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(f) Website	D2L (online.camosun.ca)

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(If any changes are made to this part, then the Approved Course Description must also be changed and sent through the approval process.)

Upon completion of this course a student will be able to:

1. Solve technical problems involving one-dimensional kinematics for a single particle undergoing constant acceleration along horizontal and inclined surfaces, and in free fall.
2. Solve technical problems involving the dynamics of a single particle in one dimension, the vector nature of forces, the net force on an object, free-body diagrams for single and two interacting objects, gravitational forces, and inertia.
3. Solve technical problems involving kinetic energy, gravitational potential energy, elastic potential energy, conservation of mechanical energy, and mechanical power, in one dimension.
4. Solve technical problems involving conversions between common temperature scales, specific heat capacity, latent heats, calorimetry, and heat transfer by radiation, thermal conduction and convection.
5. Solve technical problems involving nuclear energy (mass-energy equivalence, binding energy), demonstrate knowledge of nuclear fission, fusion, and fuel disposal problems.
6. Solve elementary technical problems involving graphical and trigonometric vector algebra in two dimensions, two-dimensional kinematics (motion), dynamics (forces), work and power.
7. Solve technical problems involving projectile motion, circular motion with constant speed, gravitational forces and planetary motion.
8. Solve technical problems involving hydrostatics (Archimedes' principle, Pascal's principle) and simple fluids in motion (Equation of continuity, Bernoulli's equation).
9. Assemble experimental apparatus using written instructions.
10. Observe, record, organize and display data in tables, graphs or charts.
11. Analyze linear graphs (determine area, slope, intercept, etc.).
12. Observe and record sources of error and estimate the range of uncertainty in results.
13. Interpret meaning of experimental results in the context of the experimental objectives.
14. Write scientific reports in an acceptable, traditional format.

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts
Physics by Giancoli, 7th Edition (**optional**)

(c) Other
Ruler, protractor, scientific calculator.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Course content will be posted daily on d2L.

- **Weekly Quiz** at the end of class during the last lecture of the week.
- **Lab reports/ exercises** due one week after Lab experiment
- **Tests and exams** are scheduled **during Lab Sessions** for the following dates:

Test #1: September 21

Midterm: October 12

Test #2: November 9

Final Exam: To be announced

- **Notes Bonus**

A **notes check** occurs on test and exam days. Complete notes earn a bonus 5% to the given test/ exam. To earn the bonus 5%, notes should **clearly** depict submodule titles by highlighting or some other means of distinction

- **Attendance Bonus**

Every full week of attendance earns a 5% boost to the quiz of that week

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Quizzes	20%
Labs	30%
Tests (2)	20%
Midterm	15%
Final	15%

COURSE SPECIFIC POLICIES

- Course content, announcements, and important class information will be posted on d2L. Students must check d2L regularly.
- Quizzes will be weekly. Quizzes will be based on lecture content. Each student is allowed one “dropped” or “missed” quiz.
- The lab for each week will be posted on Monday morning. Lab reports are due at 11:59 PM one week after experiment is performed. Any changes in due dates or timelines will be posted on the D2L calendar. Any labs that are not completed will be assigned a zero grade.

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES REGARDING TESTING AND GRADING:

- As stated in the current college calendar, “students are expected to write tests and final exams at the scheduled time and place.” Exceptions will only be considered due to emergency circumstances as outlined in the calendar. Holidays or scheduled flights are not considered to be emergencies.
- Students must write quizzes, tests, midterm tests, etc., on the date and time assigned by the instructor. Missed exams normally receive a zero grade. Instructors are not required to provide make-up tests. At their discretion, instructors may waive a test in exceptional circumstances such as medical issues or a documented illness.
- Any outstanding homework or labs must be submitted prior to the final exam date, and will be graded according to the late policy outlined by the instructor.
- Refer to your instructor’s information page for any additional policies regarding testing and grade calculation.

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES REGARDING LABS:

- Students must obtain an overall grade of 50% or higher in the laboratory component of the course order to obtain credit for the course.
- Unless otherwise stated by your instructor late penalties are as follows: For overdue labs (or assignments), a late penalty of 1 mark per day (10%) will be assessed for the first five days following the due date. After this date a complete report is still required and earns a maximum mark of 50%.
- At the discretion of the instructor, a student who is repeating this Physics course with a laboratory grade of 70% or higher may apply for lab exemption.

6. Grading System

X	Standard Grading System (GPA)
	Competency Based Grading System

7. Recommended Materials to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

8. College Supports, Services and Policies



Immediate, Urgent, or Emergency Support

If you or someone you know requires immediate, urgent, or emergency support (e.g. illness, injury, thoughts of suicide, sexual assault, etc.), **SEEK HELP**. Resource contacts @ <http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html> or <http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html#urgent>

College Services

Camosun offers a variety of health and academic support services, including counselling, dental, disability resource centre, help centre, learning skills, sexual violence support & education, library, and writing centre. For more information on each of these services, visit the **STUDENT SERVICES** link on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/>

College Policies

Camosun strives to provide clear, transparent, and easily accessible policies that exemplify the college's commitment to life-changing learning. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of College policies. Policies are available on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/>. Education and academic policies include, but are not limited to, Academic Progress, Admission, Course Withdrawals, Standards for Awarding Credentials, Involuntary Health and Safety Leave of Absence, Prior Learning Assessment, Medical/Compassionate Withdrawal, Sexual Violence and Misconduct, Student Ancillary Fees, Student Appeals, Student Conduct, and Student Penalties and Fines.

A. GRADING SYSTEMS <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html>

The following two grading systems are used at Camosun College:

1. Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

2. Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes

Grade	Description
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COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

B. Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html> for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

