

School of Arts & Science PHYSICS DEPARTMENT PHYS 104

General College Physics 1

Summer 2012

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/phys.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Christopher Avis		
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

Upon completion of this course the 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.
- 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, Giancoli 6th Edition
- (b) Other: Physics 104 Lab Manual, Scientific Calculator, Graph Paper, Duotang

4. Course Content and Schedule

Lecture: Mon, Wed, Fri: 11:30-1:30 Fisher 316 Tue, Thu: 11:30-12:20 Fisher 316

Lab: Tue, Thu: 12:30-2:20 Fisher 316

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

(a) Quizzes: 5 %(b) Labs 15 %(c) Tests: 30 %(d) Final Exam: 50%

Labs for a particular week will be due by the end of the day on the Tuesday of the week following the lab. You must satisfactorily complete all labs to pass the course and all labs must be complete and handed in by the date of the final exam.

Late labs will be subject to a 5% per day late mark deduction and you must be present to take your own data for each lab.

Tests will cover the material up to the end of class one week before the tests. There are four tests scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, July 17th Thursday, July 26th Wednesday, August 8th Thursday, August 16th

Your test mark will be determined based on your best 3 out of 4 tests.

Quizzes will be delivered at the end of class on the Friday of each week that there is not a test. They will be drawn from multiple choice questions posted to the class website.

Exceptions to the above policies will be made only in exceptional circumstances (such as illnesses, medical Emergencies, etc...) and documentation must be provided in these instances.

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT POLICIES REGARDING TESTING:

- 1. The final exam will cover the entire course and will be 3 hours long. As stated in the current college calendar on page 39, "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.
- 2. Instructors are not required to provide make-up tests. At their discretion, instructors may waive a test or provide a make-up test only in the event of documented illness or other extenuating circumstances.

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT POLICIES REGARDING LABS:

- 1. All assigned laboratory exercises and reports must be completed and handed in prior to the date of the final exam with an overall grade of 60% in order to obtain credit for the course. A lab may be waived or made up at a later time only in the case of documented illness or other extenuating circumstances. If you will be absent from a lab period due to illness it is your responsibility to notify your instructor.
- 2. At the discretion of the instructor, a student who is repeating this Physics course may apply for lab exemption.

STUDY TIME

It is recommended that you spend between 10 and 20 hours per week (or more for students with a weak background) studying for this course outside of class time.

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

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 E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: 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	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: 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.

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

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.