

School of Arts & Science PHYSICS DEPARTMENT PHYS 104 - 001 General College Physics 1

Fall 2015

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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| (b) | Office Hours: | M: 12:30-1:20, Tu: 1:30-2:20, W: 9:30-10:20, Th: 1:20-2:20, F: 8:30-9:20 | | |
| (c) | Location: | Fisher 340 C | | |
| (d) | Phone: | 250-370-3510 | Alternative Phone: | 250-370-3513 |
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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.
- 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.
- 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: Principles with Applications, 7th Edition. Douglas C. Giancoli. Pearson 2014. Physics 104 Laboratory Manual
- (b) Other: Scientific calculator (No graphing calculators or cellphones!) Ruler, graph paper.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Lecture: Mon., Tue.: 11:30-12:20, Fisher 322 Lab: Thu: 10:30-12:20, Fisher 316

Wed.: 12:30-1:20, Fisher 322, Fri.: 11:30-12:20, Fisher 322

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a) Homework: 5%

(b) Labs: 15 %

(c) Midterm Tests: 30% (Best 3 out of 4)

(d) Final Exam: 50 %

Tentative test dates are as follows: Thurs., Oct. 1st; Thurs., Oct. 22nd; Thurs., Nov. 12th; Fri., Dec. 4th

COURSE SPECIFIC POLICIES

- Homework problems for a particular week will cover up to whatever section is finished on the last lecture
 of that week. They will be due at the end of the day on the Friday of the following week and will be
 checked for completeness.
- 2. Labs for a particular week will be due by the end of the day one week following the lab. Each student is allowed one "dropped" or "missed" lab.
- 3. You must be present to collect your own data during a lab (as will be verified with a sign in sheet). Labs completed using others' data will not be accepted.

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT POLICIES REGARDING TESTING:

- 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.
- 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.
- 3. Refer to your instructor's information page for any additional policies regarding testing and grade calculation.

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.
- 2. Attendance is mandatory & you may be required to "sign in" at the beginning of each lab period. 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.
- 3. 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%.
- 4. At the discretion of the instructor, a student who is repeating this Physics course may apply for lab exemption.

6. Grading System

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

STUDY TIME

It is recommended that between 5 and 10 hours per week (or more for students with a weak background) be spent studying for this course outside of class time.

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.

