

# School of Arts & Science PHYSICS DEPARTMENT PHYS 150

# **Technical Physics 1**

**Quarter or Semester/Year** 

# **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:	Bob Sedlock		
(b)	Office Hours:	9:30- 10:30 daily and by apointment		
(c)	Location:	CC120		
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(f)	Website:	none		

#### 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. Define the scientific method and give examples of its application. Define and give examples of precision and accuracy.
- 2. Round measurements to the correct number of significant figures. Express numbers using scientific notation.
- Use the SI system of units to express measurements. Identify and use SI base units, prefixes, and derived units. Perform unit conversions within the SI system. Use the Imperial and U.S. Customary system of units and perform conversions to and from the S.I. system.
- 4. Construct graphs using a Cartesian coordinate system. Plot data and label the graph correctly, including a title and axes labels. Analyze linear graphs, including drawing a best-fit line, calculating the slope and y-intercept, and writing the equation of the graph. Analyze non-linear graphs, change variables to produce a linear graph, and write the equation of that graph.
- 5. Define the following kinematic quantities: displacement, velocity and acceleration, distance and speed. Identify vector and scalar quantities. Define and calculate average and instantaneous velocities and speeds. Plot and read kinematic graphs. Use the kinematic equations to solve one-dimensional problems involving uniformly accelerated motion, including freefall.
- State Newton's Laws and answer related conceptual problems. Construct free-body diagrams.
   Describe the concepts of net force, mass and weight. Solve one-dimensional dynamics problems involving normal forces, friction, tension, and applied forces. Calculate forces for objects in equilibrium.
- Define the terms work, kinetic energy, potential energy and power. Use the work-energy theorem or the law of conservation of energy to solve problems. Calculate the power and efficiency of mechanical processes.
- 8. Assemble simple experimental apparatus using written instructions.
- 9. Observe, record, organize and display data in tables, graphs or charts.
- 10. Analyze linear graphs (determine area, slope, intercept, etc.).
- 11. Interpret meaning of experimental results in the context of the experimental objectives.

#### 3. Required Materials

- (a) Texts: Physic150 s lab manual and course material (available in the bookstore)
- (b) Other
- 4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

# 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

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

- (a) Assignments 10%
- (b) Quizzes 40%
- (c) Exams Final 50%
- (d) Other (e.g., Attendance, Project, Group Work)

# 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
1	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 <sup>rd</sup> course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting wit deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed for 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 <a href="mailto:camosun.ca">camosun.ca</a>.

# 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.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED