

PHYS 011: General Physics I

Term: 2020 Summer Session Instructor: Staff Language of Instruction: English Classroom: TBA Office Hours: TBA Class Sessions Per Week: 5 Total Weeks: 5 Total Weeks: 5 Total Class Sessions: 25 Class Session Length (minutes): 120 Credit Hours: 4

Course Description:

This course is the first part of a two semester study on the basic theories and principles of physics. Students selecting this course shall be equipped mathematics tools on algebra, geometry, and trigonometry, and especially be familiarized with relevant mathematical formulas. Topics cover chapter 1 to chapter 20 in textbook, including Newton's laws; gravitation; mechanics, kinematics; energy and momentum conservation, rotational motion, and angular momentum conservation; simple harmonic motion; mechanical waves; fluids; ideal gas law; heat and the first and second laws of thermodynamics.

Course Materials:

Fundamentals of Physics, Volume 1, David Halliday, Robert Resnick, Jearl Walker, 10th edition.

Course Format and Requirements:

Attendance:

Students are expected to attend and participate in class. Strong attendance and participation are good indicators of success. Each student is responsible for all course material, announcements, quizzes and exams made in class, whether or not the student attended that day's class.



Grading Scale:

A+: 98%-100% A: 93%-97% A-: 90%-92% B+: 88%-89% B: 83%-87% B-: 80%-82% C+: 78%-79% C: 73%-77% C-: 70%-72% D+: 68%-69% D: 63%-67% D-: 60%-62% F: Below 60%

Course Assignments:

Quizzes

There will be 6 quizzes administered. Quizzes will always be completed in the first ten minutes of class. The quiz problems will be similar to homework problems and in-class examples. There will be no make-up quizzes.

Midterm Exams

There will be three midterm exams in this course. The midterm exam will be based on concepts covered in class. It will be in-class, close-book and non-cumulative.

Final Exam

The final will be cumulative and close-book. Note that the final will not be taken during the normal class times. Exact time and location for final will be announced later.

Course Assessment:

Quizzes	15%
Midterm Exams 1	20%



Midterm Exams 2	20%
Midterm Exams 3	20%
Final Exam	25%
Total	100%

Course Schedule:

Week	Topics	Activities
1.	Go through syllabus	
	Intro to the field of General Physics	Quiz 1
	Review on needed Mathematical Formulas	
	Measurement (Lengths, Time and Mass)	
	• Motion Along a Straight Line :	
	Acceleration, Constant Acceleration, Falling-fall	
	Acceleration	
	Application of Graph in Motion Analysis	
	• Vectors	
	• Motions in Two and Three Dimensions:	
	Average Velocity and Acceleration, and Instantaneous	
	Velocity and Acceleration	
	Projectile Motion, Uniform Circular Motion, 1-D Motion	
	and 2-D motion	



2.	• Newtonian Mechanics:	Quiz 2
	Newton's First Law and Second Law	Midterm 1
	Some Particular Forces	Quiz 3
	Newtons' Third and the Application of Newton's Law	
	• Friction	
	• Kinetic Energy and Work:	
	Work Done by the Gravitational Force	
	Work Done by a Spring	
	Work Done by a General Variable Force	
	• Potential Energy and Conservation of Energy	
3.	• Center of Mass and Linear Momentum	Midterm 2
	• Rotation	Quiz 4
	• Rolling, Torque and Angular Momentum	
	• Oscillations:	
	Simple Harmonic Motion	
	An Angular Simple Harmonic Oscillator	
	Pendulums, Circular Motion	
	Damped Simple Harmonic Motion	
	Forced Oscillations and Resonance	



	• Equilibrium and Statics	Quiz 5
4.	• Gravitation and Newton's Law of Gravitation	Midterm 3
	• Fluids, Density and Pressure	
	• Temperature, Heat, The First Law of	
	Thermodynamics, Heat Transfer Mechanics	
	• Ideal Gas Law	
	• Entropy and the Second Law of Thermodynamics	Quiz 6
5.	• Wave	Final exam
	Types of Wave	
	Transverse and Longitudinal Waves	
	Wavelength and Frequency	
	The Speed of a Traveling Wave	
	Sound Wave	
	Interference, Beats and Dopper Effects	
	Course Summary and Review for Final	
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Academic Integrity:

Students are encouraged to study together, and to discuss lecture topics with one another, but all other work should be completed independently.

Students are expected to adhere to the standards of academic honesty and integrity that are described in the Shanghai Normal University's *Academic Conduct Code*. Any work suspected of



violating the standards of the *Academic Conduct Code* will be reported to the Dean's Office. Penalties for violating the *Academic Conduct Code* may include dismissal from the program. All students have an individual responsibility to know and understand the provisions of the *Academic Conduct Code*.

Special Needs or Assistance:

Please contact the Administrative Office immediately if you have a learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material. Our goal is to help you learn, not to penalize you for issues which mask your learning.