PHYSICS 103-0 Ideas of Physics (1 Unit)  Topics in modern physics. Content varies for example, relativity, the physics of music, and the progress of physics through history. Requires only high school mathematics and is designed for non-science majors. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 105-0 Music, Sound, Timbre (1 Unit)  Introduction to the interface of art, technology, and science. MIDI; musical analysis and composition; physical acoustics and psychoacoustics; construction and acoustics of instruments; signal generation, recording, and analysis. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 110-6 First-Year Seminar (1 Unit)  WCAS First-Year Seminar

PHYSICS 125-1 General Physics ISP (1 Unit)  General physics course relying extensively on calculus. Similar to PHYSICS 135-1 but more advanced and intended for ISP students. A concurrent advanced calculus course, MATH 281-1 is offered by the mathematics department. Prerequisite: first-year standing in ISP or consent of the department and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 126-1. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 125-2 General Physics for ISP (1 Unit)  General physics course relying extensively on calculus. Similar to PHYSICS 135-2 but more advanced and intended for ISP students. A concurrent advanced calculus course, MATH 281-2, is offered by the mathematics department. Prerequisite: first-year standing in ISP or consent of the department and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 126-2. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 125-3 General Physics for ISP (1 Unit)  General physics course relying extensively on calculus. Similar to PHYSICS 135-3 but more advanced and intended for ISP students. A concurrent advanced calculus course, MATH 281-3, is offered by the mathematics department. Prerequisite: first-year standing in ISP or consent of the department and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 126-3. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 126-1 Physics for ISP Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 125-1, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 126-2 Physics for ISP Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 125-2, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 126-3 Physics for ISP Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 125-3, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 130-1 College Physics (1 Unit)  Algebra-based physics primarily for premedical students who do not need to take calculus-based physics. Topics covered are similar to those of PHYSICS 135-1. Students with credit for a quarter of Physics 135 may not later receive credit for the comparable quarter of Physics 130. Prerequisites: algebra, trigonometry, and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-1. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 130-2 College Physics (1 Unit)  Algebra-based physics primarily for premedical students who do not need to take calculus-based physics. Topics covered are similar to those of PHYSICS 135-2. Students with credit for a quarter of Physics 135 may not later receive credit for the comparable quarter of Physics 130. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 130-1, PHYSICS 136-1, and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-2. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 130-3 College Physics (1 Unit)  Algebra-based physics primarily for premedical students who do not need to take calculus-based physics. Topics covered are similar to those of PHYSICS 135-3. Students with credit for a quarter of Physics 135 may not later receive credit for the comparable quarter of Physics 130. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 130-2, PHYSICS 136-2, and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-3. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 130-SG-1 Peer-Guided Study Group: College Physics 1 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 130-1. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 130-SG-2 Peer-Guided Study Group: College Physics 2 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 130-2. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 130-SG-3 Peer-Guided Study Group: College Physics 3 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 130-3. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 135-1 General Physics (1 Unit)  Calculus-based physics for science and engineering majors and premedical students. Mechanics. Prerequisites: MATH 220-1, MATH 220-2; concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-1 and MATH 230-1. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 135-2 General Physics (1 Unit)  Calculus-based physics for science and engineering majors and premedical students. Electricity and magnetism. Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 136-1 and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-2. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 135-3 General Physics (1 Unit)  Calculus-based physics for science and engineering majors and premedical students. Introduction to modern physics; wave phenomena. Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-2, PHYSICS 136-2 and concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-3. Natural Sciences Distro Area

PHYSICS 135-SG-1 Peer-Guided Study Group: General Physics 1 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 135-1. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 135-SG-2 Peer-Guided Study Group: General Physics 2 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 135-2. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 135-SG-3 Peer-Guided Study Group: General Physics 3 (0 Unit)  Peer-guided study group for students enrolled in PHYSICS 135-3. Meets weekly in small groups, along with a peer facilitator, to collaboratively review material, work through practice problems, and clarify course concepts. Enrollment optional. Graded S/U.

PHYSICS 136-1 General Physics Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 130-1, or PHYSICS 130-2, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 136-2 General Physics Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 130-2 or PHYSICS 130-3, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 136-3 General Physics Laboratory (0.34 Unit)  Introductory physics laboratory for students taking PHYSICS 130-3 or PHYSICS 135-3, with which it must be taken concurrently.

PHYSICS 140-1 Fundamentals of Physics (1 Unit)  Introduction to fundamentals topics in classical mechanics for physics majors and
Physics (PHYSICS)

minors and students with a strong interest in physics. Prerequisites:
MATH 220-1, MATH 220-2; concurrent enrollment in PHYSICS 136-1 and
MATH 230-1.

PHYSICS 140-2 Fundamentals of Physics (1 Unit) Introduction
to fundamentals topics in electricity and magnetism for physics
majors and minors and students with a strong interest in physics.
Prerequisites: PHYSICS 140-1, PHYSICS 136-1; concurrent enrollment in
PHYSICS 136-2. Natural Sciences Distrito Area

PHYSICS 140-3 Fundamentals of Physics (1 Unit) Introduction to
fundamentals topics in wave phenomena and modern physics for physics
majors and minors and students with a strong interest in physics.
Prerequisites: PHYSICS 140-2, PHYSICS 136-2; concurrent enrollment in
PHYSICS 136-3. Natural Sciences Distrito Area

PHYSICS 239-0 Foundations of Modern Physics (1 Unit) Principles
of waves, probability, quantum theory, and selected topics from
special relativity, statistical mechanics, optics, and atomic structure.
Prerequisites: PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and PHYSICS 135-3 or
equivalent; MATH 250-0 or equivalent or concurrent enrollment. Natural
Sciences Distrito Area

PHYSICS 311-1 Mathematical Tools for the Physical Sciences (1 Unit)
Introduction to tools for solving physics problems, including integral
calculus, complex numbers and complex algebra, matrices and vector
spaces, differential equations, and Fourier analysis. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 135-1 and PHYSICS 135-2 or equivalent (concurrent enrollment
in PHYSICS 135-2 is sufficient); MATH 230-1. Formal Studies Distrito Area

PHYSICS 311-2 Mathematical Tools for the Physical Sciences (1 Unit)
Introduction to tools for solving physics problems, including integral
calculus, complex numbers and complex algebra, matrices and vector
spaces, differential equations, and Fourier analysis. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 135-3 (or concurrent enrollment); PHYSICS 311-1 or equivalent. Formal
Studies Distrito Area

PHYSICS 312-0 Scalar and Vector Field Methods in Physics (1 Unit)
Physically contextualized introduction to the field concept,
the associated methods of calculus, and the solution of key physical
partial differential equations. Three lectures and one discussion per
week. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 311-1, PHYSICS 311-2, or MATH 230-1,
MATH 230-2, MATH 240-0, and MATH 250-0, or equivalents. Natural
Sciences Distrito Area

PHYSICS 330-1 Classical Mech (1 Unit) Newtonian mechanics,
oscillations, the Lagrangian and Hamiltonian formalisms, central-force
motion. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 135-1 or equivalent and MATH 230-2
and PHYSICS 311-1 and PHYSICS 311-2; or MATH 240-0, MATH 250-0; or equivalent.

PHYSICS 330-2 Classical Mechanics (1 Unit) Motion in a non-inertial
reference frame, kinematics of rigid modes, systems with many degrees
of freedom.

PHYSICS 332-0 Statistical Mechanics (1 Unit) Ideal gas, Boltzmann
distribution, transport phenomena, fluctuation theory, Bose-Einstein and
Fermi-Dirac statistics. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 315-1, PHYSICS 315-2, and
PHYSICS 315-3; MATH 230-2 or equivalent.

PHYSICS 333-1 Advanced Electricity & Magnetism (1 Unit)
Electrostatics and magnetostatics, multipole expansion, solutions
of Laplace’s equation, images, analytic functions. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and PHYSICS 135-3 and MATH 230-2
and PHYSICS 311-1 and PHYSICS 311-2; or MATH 240-0, MATH 250-0; or equivalent.

PHYSICS 333-2 Advanced Electricity & Magnetism (1 Unit) Maxwell’s
equations, electromagnetic equations, electromagnetic wave
propagation and radiation, microwave cavities, diffraction. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and PHYSICS 135-3 and MATH 230-2
and PHYSICS 311-1 and PHYSICS 311-2; or MATH 240-0, MATH 250-0; or equivalent.

PHYSICS 335-0 Physics of Magic (1 Unit) Magic tricks, illusion, and
deception used to discuss the rarely explored but often surprisingly
flexible boundaries of what is physically possible. Does not fulfill 300-
level requirement for majors or minors. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 135-1;
MATH 220-1, MATH 220-2, or equivalent.

PHYSICS 337-0 Physics of Condensed Matter (1 Unit) Emergent
properties and collective descriptions when simple components of
matter are combined into larger systems with varying degrees of order.
Prerequisite: PHYSICS 339-1; PHYSICS 332-0 recommended.

PHYSICS 339-1 Quantum Mechanics (1 Unit) Introduction to
quantum theory. Applications to atomic and molecular systems. The
harmonic oscillator, the one-electron atom, the hydrogen molecule,
barrier penetration. Prerequisites: second-year standing in ISP or
PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and PHYSICS 135-3 or equivalent;
PHYSICS 239-0; PHYSICS 330-1; PHYSICS 311-1 or MATH 240-0.

PHYSICS 339-2 Quantum Mechanics (1 Unit) Introduction to quantum
theory. Applications to atomic and molecular systems. The
harmonic oscillator, the one-electron atom, the hydrogen molecule, barrier
penetration. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 339-1, second-year standing in ISP or
PHYSICS 311-2 or MATH 250-0, MATH 351-0.

PHYSICS 339-3 Particle and Nuclear Physics (1 Unit) Nuclei and
their constituents; nuclear models; alpha and beta decay; nuclear
fusion and fission; the strong, electromagnetic, and weak interactions;
and the fundamental particles and particle schemes. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 339-1 and PHYSICS 339-2.

PHYSICS 345-0 Introduction to General Relativity (1 Unit) Review of
special relativity and Newtonian gravity; curved space-time; geodesics
and conservation laws; Schwarzschild geometry; tests of general
relativity; black holes; linearized gravity and gravitational waves; and big
bang cosmology. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 330-1 and PHYSICS 330-2 or
consent of instructor.

PHYSICS 352-0 Introduction to Computational Physics (1 Unit) Application of computing to physics: Monte Carlo simulation, numerical
integration of equations of motion, discrete element methods in
electromagnetism. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and
PHYSICS 135-3 or equivalent; MATH 250-0 or equivalent (concurrent
enrollment is sufficient); COMP_SCI 110-0 or equivalent prior
programming experience.

PHYSICS 357-0 Optics Laboratory (1 Unit) Optics/laser lab focusing on
optical instruments widely used in medical/biological studies, including
optical microscopy, fluorescence spectroscopy, tumor detection in optical
scanning, and optical fibers in endoscopes. Prerequisite: consent of
instructor. Natural Sciences Distrito Area

PHYSICS 358-0 Nanolithography (1 Unit) Advanced lab involving
fabrication of metallic nanometer-scale structures by electron-
beam lithography. Characterization of these structures by atomic
force microscopy. Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-1, PHYSICS 135-2, and
PHYSICS 135-3 or equivalent.

PHYSICS 359-0 Electronics (1 Unit) Introduction to modern electronics,
construction of elementary analog and digital circuits. Prerequisites:
PHYSICS 333-1 and PHYSICS 333-2 or consent of instructor.

PHYSICS 360-0 Advanced Physics Laboratory (1 Unit) Modern
experimental techniques and data analysis methods. Both classic
and modern experiments in atomic/nuclear physics, electricity and
magnetism, optics, condensed matter physics, and nonlinear dynamics. This laboratory emphasizes independent work. There are two one-hour lectures and two three-hour laboratories per week. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 239-0 or PHYSICS 339-1, and PHYSICS 333-1, or permission of instructor.

**PHYSICS 361-0 Classical Optics and Special Relativity (1 Unit)**
Advanced topics following from electrodynamics, including advanced classical optics, Fraunhofer and Fresnel diffraction, radiation from accelerated charges, wave guides and/or antennae, and special relativity, including dynamics. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 333-1 and PHYSICS 333-2.

**PHYSICS 371-0 Nonlinear Dynamics and Chaos (1 Unit)**
Advanced topics following from classical mechanics. The focus will be on nonlinear dynamics and chaos theory, though coupled oscillations and continuous systems will also be covered. Prerequisites: PHYSICS 330-1 and PHYSICS 330-2.

**PHYSICS 390-0 Topics in Physics (1 Unit)**
This is a special topics course, and each time it is offered could be a completely different topic. Although the topic can change, it is expected that independent of the content, this is an advanced physics course that builds on core physics knowledge. Prerequisites vary by offering. It would generally require knowledge of at least one core physics course (Physics 330, 332, 333, 339) or the equivalent mathematics or Permission from Instructor.

**PHYSICS 398-0 Independent Thesis Research (1-2 Units)**
Individual study under the direction of a faculty member. Open only to advanced students pursuing departmental honors.

**PHYSICS 399-0 Independent Study (1-2 Units)**
Opportunity to study an advanced subject of interest under the individual direction of a faculty member. Open to all advanced students; consent of instructor required.