

Wayne State University

General Physics – PHY 2130

Fall 2016 – August 31 to December 20

Course information

Lectures	Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9:35 am – 10:30 am in General Lectures 150
Discussion sections	Mondays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 020 (section 008 [12697]) Mondays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 043 (section 013 [16662]) Tuesdays 9:35 am – 11:25 am in Manoogian Hall 068 (section 001 [12694]) Tuesdays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 037 (section 005 [12696]) Wednesdays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 061 (section 003 [16653]) Wednesdays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 043 (section 004 [12695]) Thursdays 9:35 am – 11:25 am in Manoogian Hall 112 (section 002 [16652]) Thursdays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 068 (section 015 [16661]) Fridays 10:40 am – 12:30 pm in Manoogian Hall 054 (section 010 [16658])
Required items	College Physics, 10th Edition, Serway and Vuille, Cengage [ISBN: 9781305367395] i>clicker 2 [ISBN: 9781429280471]
Course description	For general Liberal Arts and Sciences students and for students preparing for medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and health sciences. Mechanics, thermal physics, and wave motions.
Corequisite	PHY 2131
Credit hours	4.0

Instructor

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Learning outcomes

When confronted with problems involving mechanics, thermal physics, and/or wave motions, students will be able to:

- Recognize which physical phenomena or principles are relevant for the problem;
- Think critically and use appropriate concepts to qualitatively analyze the problem; and
- Use appropriate mathematical techniques and concepts to obtain quantitative solutions to the problem.

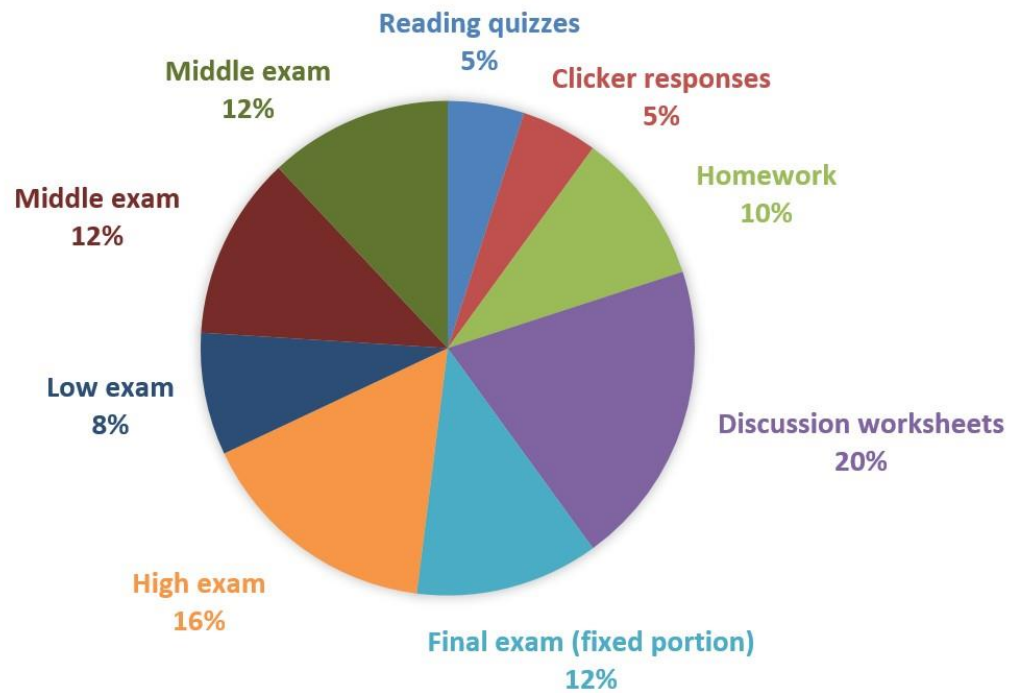
More broadly, students will be able to:

- Describe, explain, and discuss basic physical principles, theories, laws, and their interconnections, as well as recognize the changing nature of science;
- Explain and discuss the role of physical principles in the life sciences;
- Communicate scientific problems, concepts, data, applications, and solutions orally and in written form;
- Make connections between physical concepts and how they connect to other sciences;
- Apply appropriate concepts to analyze and model problems and situations by invoking fundamental principles of physics;
- Compose graphical representations of physical situations and problems;
- Formulate and use appropriate concepts, connections, and mathematical/computational techniques to derive symbolic or quantitative solutions to problems in physics; and
- Based on sound scientific reasoning, argue and defend conclusions.

Grading

The grading scale used for final grades and the breakdown of the final course grade are shown here.

Percent	Letter grade
90-100	A
85-89	A-
80-84	B+
75-79	B
70-74	B-
65-69	C+
60-64	C
55-59	C-
50-54	D+
45-49	D
40-44	D-
0-39	F



Grade adjustments

If necessary, the instructor may make adjustments to exam and discussion tutorial grades and/or the grading scale. The grading scale above should not be used to determine a letter grade from your unadjusted percent score on an individual exam or quiz.

Extra credit

There are no extra credit opportunities for this course.

Exams

Exam information

There will be three in-class exams on the following days:

Wednesday, September 28
Wednesday, October 26
Wednesday, November 30

There will be a final exam on Tuesday, December 20 from 1:20 pm to 3:50 pm. The in-class exams will be held in the same room as the lectures. The final exam will be the same for all sections of PHY 2130 and all sections will take the exam at the same time.

Exam grades

Of the four exams (three in-class exams and the final exam), your highest exam score will count as 16% of your course grade; your lowest exam score will count as 8% of your course grade; and the other two exams scores will each count as 12% of your course grade. Your score on the final exam will be counted twice, once as either 8%, 12%, or 16% of your course grade (depending on your other exam scores) and a second time as a fixed 12% of your course grade.

Make-up exams

Students who miss an exam for any reason (planned or unplanned) should notify the instructor immediately, preferably in advance. No make-up exams will be given, and a missed exam will count as a 0. Any student who misses two or more exams will automatically receive a final grade of F.

Exam rules

You must bring your Wayne State ID to the exam and present it to the exam proctor if asked. Only a scientific calculator is allowed during the exam. No graphing calculators and no other electronic devices (including calculators on smartphones) are allowed during the exam. An equation sheet will be provided on the exams. Students are not allowed to bring any notes or other materials into the exam.

Homework

WebAssign

The homework will be online through WebAssign, www.webassign.net. All students will need a WebAssign access code (these may come bundled with the purchase of a new textbook or can be purchased separately on the Webassign website). The class key for this course is wayne 2386 7780. For more information about Webassign, please see the Course information page on Blackboard.

Assignments

Homework assignments will be due on Mondays at 11:59 pm during the weeks listed on the schedule. No extensions on homework assignments will be granted. Your lowest assignment grade will be dropped at the end of the semester.

Submissions

You can submit answers to a WebAssign question a maximum of ten times. You will receive full credit if you get the correct answer on one of your first three submissions. You will be penalized 5% of the points for each submission after the third. If you do not have the correct answer after your tenth and final submission, you will get zero points for the problem.

Rounding

WebAssign has a default tolerance of $\pm 2\%$ for most submitted numerical answers. Exceptions are problems which explicitly ask about significant figures and problems requiring an integer answer.

Clicker responses and reading quizzes

Clickers information	All students will need to bring their own i>clicker 2 to every lecture. These can be purchased from the campus bookstore and must be registered via the course Blackboard website. Clickers will be used to answer questions during lecture, and student responses will be recorded. Using another student's clicker, or letting another student use your clicker, is not allowed and is considered cheating. The minimum penalty for clicker misuse is zero credit for clicker responses for the entire semester.
Grading clicker responses	The clicker questions will be worth 5% of the total course grade. There are no make-up opportunities or second chances for missed clicker responses for any reason (absence from class or otherwise). However, only 75% of the total number of clicker questions in all the lectures combined will be counted toward your grade. You do not need to have the correct response to receive credit.
Reading quizzes	Reading assignments are listed in the course schedule. Students should read the assigned sections before each class. Short quizzes to accompany the reading assignment will be posted on Blackboard. These will consist of three multiple choice questions and one short answer question. You will have 24 hours to take the quizzes but they must be completed by 8 am on the day of class.
Grading reading quizzes	For each quiz, you will earn 70% of the points for completing and submitting the quiz. For each multiple choice question that you answer correctly, you will earn an additional 10% of the points for that quiz. The reading quizzes will be worth 5% of the total grade for the course. The three lowest reading quiz grades will be dropped at the end of the semester.

Discussion sections

Introduction	The discussion sections give you the opportunity to study concepts from the lectures in greater detail and work on homework problems. You will work together in groups (guided by teaching assistants) on worksheets and have an opportunity to get help on homework questions from each other and the teaching assistants.
Graded worksheets	Attendance and participation in the discussion sections is required and will be recorded. Each student must turn in their own worksheet at the end of each week's discussion section for grading. The discussion section worksheets will be worth a total of 20% of your final grade. The lowest worksheet grade will be dropped.
Materials	Students should bring their textbook, calculator, laptop (if you have one), and pencil and paper every week. Students who don't bring the required materials will not receive attendance and participation points.

Notes

Course drops and withdrawals	In the first two weeks of the (full) term, students can drop this class and receive 100% tuition and course fee cancellation. After the end of the second week there is no tuition or fee cancellation. Students who wish to withdraw from the class can initiate a withdrawal request on Pipeline. You will receive a transcript notation of WP (passing), WF (failing), or WN (no graded work) at the time of withdrawal. No
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withdrawals can be initiated after the end of the tenth week. Students enrolled in the 10th week and beyond will receive a grade. Because withdrawing from courses may have negative academic and financial consequences, students considering course withdrawal should make sure they fully understand all the consequences before taking this step. More information on this can be found at: <http://reg.wayne.edu/pdf-policies/students.pdf>.

Last day to drop with tuition cancellation

September 14

Last day to withdraw

November 13

Religious holidays

Because of the extraordinary variety of religious affiliations of the University student body and staff, the Academic Calendar makes no provisions for religious holidays. However, it is University policy to respect the faith and religious obligations of the individual. Students with classes or examinations that conflict with their religious observances are expected to notify their instructors well in advance so that mutually agreeable alternatives may be worked out.

Studying resources

The Physics Resource Center is in Physics 172 and provides drop-in office hours with graduate teaching assistants. Supplemental Instruction and various workshops are available through the Academic Success Center (www.success.wayne.edu).

Student disabilities

If you have a documented disability that requires accommodations, you will need to register with Student Disability Services for coordination of your academic accommodations. The Student Disability Services (SDS) office is located in the Adamany Undergraduate Library. The SDS telephone number is 313-577-1851 or 313-202-4216 (Videophone use only). Once your accommodation is in place, someone can meet with you privately to discuss your special needs. Student Disability Services' mission is to assist the university in creating an accessible community where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to fully participate in their educational experience at Wayne State University.

Students who are registered with Student Disability Services and who are eligible for alternate testing accommodations such as extended test time and/or a distraction-reduced environment should present the required test permit to the professor at least one week in advance of the exam. Federal law requires that a student registered with SDS is entitled to the reasonable accommodations specified in the student's accommodation letter, which might include allowing the student to take the final exam on a day different than the rest of the class.

Academic dishonesty – cheating and plagiarism

Academic misbehavior means any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the institution or subvert the education process. All forms of academic misbehavior are prohibited at Wayne State University, as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct (<http://www.doso.wayne.edu/student-conduct-services.html>). Students who commit or assist in committing dishonest acts are subject to downgrading (to a failing grade for the test, paper, or other course-related activity in question, or for the entire course) and/or additional sanctions as described in the Student Code of Conduct.

Cheating: Intentionally using or attempting to use, or intentionally providing or attempting to provide, unauthorized materials, information or assistance in any academic exercise. Examples include: (a) copying from another student's test paper; (b) allowing another student to copy from a test paper; (c) using unauthorized material such as a "cheat sheet" during an exam.

Fabrication: Intentional and unauthorized falsification of any information or citation. Examples include: (a) citation of information not taken from the source indicated; (b) listing sources in a bibliography not used in a research paper.

Plagiarism: To take and use another's words or ideas as one's own. Examples include: (a) failure to use appropriate referencing when using the words or ideas of other persons; (b) altering the language, paraphrasing, omitting, rearranging, or forming new combinations of words in an attempt to make the thoughts of another appear as your own.

Other forms of academic misbehavior include, but are not limited to: (a) unauthorized use of resources, or any attempt to limit another student's access to educational resources, or any attempt to alter equipment so as to lead to an incorrect answer for subsequent users; (b) enlisting the assistance of a substitute in the taking of examinations; (c) violating course rules as defined in the course syllabus or other written information provided to the student; (d) selling, buying or stealing all or part of an un-administered test or answers to the test; (e) changing or altering a grade on a test or other academic grade records.

In this course, the minimum penalty for the first instance of cheating by a student will result in a grade of 0 for the work in question (homework assignment, quiz, exam, etc.). This 0 grade may not be dropped or replaced. Repeated instances of cheating will result in a failing grade for the course. For all instances of cheating, the Department of Physics and Astronomy will be notified to ensure that the procedures described in the Student Code of Conduct are followed.

Schedule

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
August 30 NO CLASS	August 31 <i>Lecture 1 – 1.1, 1.3-5</i>	September 1	September 2 <i>Lecture 2 – 1.6-7, 2.4, 2.1</i>	September 5 NO CLASS
NO DISCUSSION SECTION, NO HOMEWORK				
September 6	September 7 <i>Lecture 3 – 2.2-3</i>	September 8	September 9 <i>Lecture 4 – 1.9, 2.5-6</i>	September 12 <i>Lecture 5 – 1.8, 3.1-3</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 1, HOMEWORK 1				
September 13	September 14 <i>Lecture 6 – 3.4, 7.4 (up to p. 212)</i>	September 15	September 16 <i>Lecture 7 – 4.1-2</i>	September 19 <i>Lecture 8 – 4.3-4</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 2, HOMEWORK 2				
September 20	September 21 <i>Lecture 9 – 4.5-6</i>	September 22	September 23 <i>Lecture 10 – 7.4 (from p. 213), 7.5 (up to p. 221)</i>	September 26 <i>Lecture 11 – 7.1-3</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 3, HOMEWORK 3				
September 27	September 28 EXAM 1	September 29	September 30 <i>Lecture 12 – 8.1-3</i>	October 3 <i>Lecture 13 – 8.4-5</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 4, HOMEWORK 4				

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
October 4	October 5 <i>Lecture 14 – 5.4 (up to p. 143), 9.3, 6.1</i>	October 6	October 7 <i>Lecture 15 – 6.2, 6.3 (up to p. 180), 6.4</i>	October 10 <i>Lecture 16 – 5.1-2, 8.6</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 5, HOMEWORK 5				
October 11	October 12 <i>Lecture 17 – 5.3, 7.5 (from p. 222), 5.4 (from p. 144)</i>	October 13	October 14 <i>Lecture 18 – 5.5-6</i>	October 17 <i>Lecture 19 – 5.7, 6.3 (from p. 181)</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 6, HOMEWORK 6				
October 18	October 19 <i>Lecture 20 – 10.1-2, 11.1</i>	October 20	October 21 <i>Lecture 21 – 12.1 (up to p. 403), 12.2 (up to p. 407), 12.4 (excl. p. 420)</i>	October 24 <i>Lecture 22 – 12.5-6</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 7, HOMEWORK 7				
October 25	October 26 EXAM 2	October 27	October 28 <i>Lecture 23 – 9.2, 10.4</i>	October 31 <i>Lecture 24 – 10.5, 12.1 (from p. 404), 12.2 (from p. 408)</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 8, HOMEWORK 8				
November 1	November 2 <i>Lecture 25 – 12.3, 12.4 (only p. 420)</i>	November 3	November 4 <i>Lecture 26 – 11.2-4</i>	November 7 <i>Lecture 27 – 11.5, 10.3</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 9, HOMEWORK 9				

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
November 8	November 9 <i>Lecture 28 – 9.4-6</i>	November 10	November 11 <i>Lecture 29 – 9.7-8</i>	November 14 <i>Lecture 30 – 9.9-10</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 10, HOMEWORK 10				
November 15	November 16 <i>Lecture 31 – 13.1-2</i>	November 17	November 18 <i>Lecture 32 – 13.3-4</i>	November 21 <i>Lecture 33 – 13.5, 13.7-8</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 11, HOMEWORK 11				
November 22	November 23 NO CLASS	November 24 NO CLASS	November 25 NO CLASS	November 28 <i>Lecture 34 – 13.9-11</i>
NO DISCUSSION SECTION, NO HOMEWORK				
November 29	November 30 EXAM 3	December 1	December 2 <i>Lecture 35 – 14.1-3</i>	December 5 <i>Lecture 36 – 14.4-6</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 12, HOMEWORK 12				
December 6	December 7 <i>Lecture 37 – 14.7-8</i>	December 8	December 9 <i>Lecture 38 – 14.10-11, 14.13</i>	December 12 <i>Lecture 39 – TBD</i>
DISCUSSION SECTION 13, HOMEWORK 13				