PHY 7400, 7410 – Quantum Mechanics I, II

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Text: <u>Quantum Mechanics Volume I and II</u> Cohen-Tannoudji, Diu and Laloe, Wiley-VCH Publishing Co.

Course Material:

- 1. The origins of Quantum Physics, Bell theorm
- 2. Wave particle duality and Wave Mechanics
- 3. Linear Vector Spaces, Stern Gerlach Filters, Polarized Photons
- 4. Axiomatic development of Quantum Mechanics
- 5. Two level systems: spin $\frac{1}{2}$, isospin, neutral kaon systems, NH₄ maser
- 6. Applications: harmonic oscillator,
- 7. Angular momentum in quantum mechanics
- 8. Central potential problems, hydrogen atom
- 9. Electron spin formalism, finite rotations
- 10. Identical particle symmetries
- 11. Addition of angular momentum, many electron atoms
- 12. Approximation methods
- 13. Applications: The fine- and hyper-fine structure of Hydrogen
- 14. Approximation methods in time dependent problems
- 15. Scattering theory

Supplementary Material: Selected applications drawn from particle, nuclear, and atomic and molecular physics, entanglement and measurement theory, laser cooling and complex systems will be included throughout the course as time permits

Homework:	Assigned weekly. Group effort is allowed. It is assumed that students
	will read the text material as some of the more elementary topics may not
	be explicitly covered in lecture.

Grades:	Homework	10% (assigned ~ weekly, nominally one problem graded)
	Midterm	40% (in-class & take-home)
	Final	50% (in-class & take-home)

Final Exam Scheduled as Posted