

# PHYS 013: General Physics I (With Lab)

Term: 2020 Winter Session Instructor: Staff Language of Instruction: English Classroom: TBA Office Hours: TBA Class Sessions Per Week: 6 Total Weeks: 4 Total Class Sessions: 25 Class Session Length (minutes): 145 Credit Hours: 5 Total Lab sessions: 10

# Course Description:

This course gives an introduction to the basic theories and principles of physics. Students will examine the following topics, 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. We will also discuss Atomic and nuclear physics, and relativity meanwhile. This course is calculus-based.

# Course Materials:

*Fundamentals of Physics, Volume 1 (Chapter 1 - 20),* David Halliday, Robert Resnick, Jearl Walker, 10th edition.

# Course Format and Requirements:

#### Lectures:

Students should do the assigned readings before coming to the lectures. During some of the lectures there will be in-class discussions, with two or three students discussing the problem together for a few minutes before discussing the problem as a whole class. An active participation in lecture will help a student to better understand the material and prepare for exams.



#### Labs:

The goal of the labs is to provide a hands-on experience with General Physics material and to enhance abilities in scientific methodology, critical thinking, and communicating about General Physics. Attendance is mandatory. No make-up labs will be provided.

#### 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 through the whole semester and the LOWEST score will be dropped. 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 two 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.

#### Labs

It is expected that all lab reports will be neatly typed (word processed) with college level grammar and spelling. Each report should include the following sections: The purpose of the experiment, the physical phenomenon observed and the concept or numerical constant to be verified; data collected and graphs of results with clearly labeled axes; an explanation and interpretation of the results and how they compare to the stated objective. Questions related to the experiment should be included and answered completely and clearly.

#### Course Assessment:

Quizzes (5 out of 6)	15%
Labs	15%
Midterm Exams 1	20%
Midterm Exams 2	20%
Final Exam	30%
Total	100%

#### Course Schedule:

Week	Topics	Activities
	Go through syllabus	
1.	Intro to the field of General Physics	
	Review on needed Mathematical Formulas	Quiz 1
	Measurement (Lengths, Time and Mass)	Quiz 2
	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	
	Newtonian Mechanics:	
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	
	Center of Mass and Linear Momentum	
	Rotation	
	Rolling, Torque and Angular Momentum	
	Oscillations:	Quiz 4
3.	Simple Harmonic Motion	Midterm 2
	An Angular Simple Harmonic Oscillator	Quiz 5
	Pendulums, Circular Motion	
	Damped Simple Harmonic Motion	



	Forced Oscillations and Resonance	
	Equilibrium and Statics	
	Gravitation and Newton's Law of Gravitation	
	Fluids, Density and Pressure	
	Temperature, Heat, The First Law of Thermodynamics, Heat Transfer	
	Mechanics	Quiz 6
4.	Ideal Gas Law	Final exam
	Entropy and the Second Law of Thermodynamics	
	Wave:	
	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	

# Lab Schedule:

Lab 1: Graph Matching; One-Dimensional Motion

Lab 2: Addition of Vectors; Velocity and Acceleration

Lab 3: Newton's Second Law; Projectile Motion

Lab 4: Centripetal Force; Static and Kinetic Friction

Lab 5: Work and Energy; Conservation of Energy; Buoyant Forces



Lab 6: Collisions and Momentum; Rotational Inertia Lab 7: Harmonic Motion; Pendulum Lab 8: Standing Waves; Resonance Tube; Oscillations of a String Lab 9: Phase Changes; Heat Capacity Lab 10: Heat of Fusion; Heat of Vaporization **Lab Final Presentation** 

# 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.