

SYLLABUS

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

Fall 2009

Physics 1C

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General Physics – Waves, Optics and Modern Physics

WEB PAGE: <http://www-physics.ucsd.edu/students/courses/fall/2009/physics1C/>

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CLASS SCHEDULE:

<i>Lecture:</i>	Tu, Thu	11:00 am – 12:20 pm	York 2722
<i>Quizzes:</i>	Tu(every third)	11:00 am – 12:20 am	York 2722
<i>Problem Session:</i>		TBA	TBA

Final Exam: Wed Dec. 9 2009, 11:30 am -2:29 pm. Location TBA

TEXT: Serway & Faughn, College Physics, 07 Edition, Thomson/Brooks/Cole

PREREQUISITES: Math 10A, concurrent in 10B or 20A. Trigonometry, vectors and calculus will be used in lectures, problem sets and exams.

COURSE FORMAT: Physics 1A-B-C is a lecture course covering mechanics, electricity and magnetism, waves and modern physics. This sequence is not suitable for students majoring in Physics, MAE, ECE or CSE. Other majors should check with their departments for the appropriate sequence. Physics 1C deals with waves, optics and modern physics. A course schedule is attached. A separate laboratory course which meets each week will give hands on experience of the physical concepts dealt with in the course. Enrollment in the lab is required. Labs are a separate course which must be registered separately.

HELP IS AVAILABLE:

Problem Session. A problem session will be held on Thursday evening. At these sessions the TA will work problems and go over the weekly lectures. Attendance is voluntary, but students are encouraged to use these meetings to help master course material and prepare for quizzes. Individual assistance is available during office hours *or by appointment*.

Physics Evening Tutorial Center. The purpose of this Center is to provide a supplement to your lectures, TA discussion and/or problem sessions and office hours. Students may come to the Center for tutoring, individual and/or group assistance with homework, studying for quizzes or exams. For more information about the Center see <http://tutorialcenter.ucsd.edu/>

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS: Problem sets will be assigned as selections from each text chapter. Solutions will be available on the course web site. The problems will be worked in detail during the Thursday problem session. The homework will not be collected or graded, but quiz problems may resemble assigned homework problems.

QUIZZES: Three quizzes will be given during the quarter every third Tues. There will be no quiz during the last (10th) week. You will be allowed to drop one quiz. You will be allowed to bring a sheet of equations to the quiz. **There will be no make-up quizzes. If you miss a quiz you can use this as the one to drop. The quizzes will consist of multiple choice questions. You must purchase your own scantron forms for quizzes. They are available at the Bookstore (no. X-101864-PAR) and the general store co-op. You will need a No. 2 pencil to fill in the scantron.**

CLICKERS: You have the opportunity to earn extra credit (up to 5%) for classroom participation using the in class clicker system. InterWrite Personal Response System (PRS). Available at Price Center Bookstore. See <http://clickers.ucsd.edu/>. During lectures, questions will be asked to which you can respond using your clicker. You will be given 1 point for an incorrect answer and 2 points for the correct answer.

FINAL EXAMINATION: The final examination will cover all of the material of the course. **Please check your final exam schedule and inform instructor of any conflicts within the first two weeks of quarter.**

GRADING POLICY	Quizzes	60% (best 2 out of 3)
	Final Exam	40%
	Clickers	5%

ADD/DROP

Use WebReg to add/change/drop, drop from waitlists. See Sharmila Poddar (534-3290) in the Physics Department, Student Affairs Office, Urey Hall Addition, Room 115, if you have problems with WebReg. If you need advice, see the TA or the instructor, **but they do not sign any cards.**

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: Please read "UC Policy on Integrity of Scholarship" in the UCSD General Catalog. The Policy regarding Academic Dishonesty will be rigorously enforced. *Any confirmed case of cheating will result in an "F" grade in Physics 1 and referral to the appropriate dean for disciplinary action.*

DEADLINES

Last day to add a class: Friday, October 9

Last day to drop a class w/o a W and change grade option: Friday, October 23

Last day to drop a class w/o an F: Friday, November 30.

Tentative Schedule of Topics

week	Date	Topic	Chapter
	9/24	Harmonic Oscillations	13
1	9/29	Waves	13
	10/1	Sound Waves, Standing waves	14
2	10/6	Doppler Effect ,Beats, EM Waves	14
	10/8	Reflection Refraction	22
3	10/13	Quiz 1 (Ch. 13, 14, 22)	
	10/15	Image Formation.Mirrors, Lenses	23
4	10/20	Simple Optical Systems	23
	10/22	Optical Instruments	25
5	10/27	Polarization, Two-slit interference	24
	10/29	Diffraction,	24, 25.6
6	11/3	Quiz 2 (Ch. 23, 24, 25)	
	11/5	Quantum Physics, Light Particles	27
7	11/10	Wave Nature of Matter	27
	11/12	Atomic Physics, Bohr model, Exclusion Principle,	28
8	11/17	Applications x-rays, lasers, transistors	28
	11/19	Nuclear Physics	29
9	11/24	Quiz 3 (Ch. 27, 28)	
	11/26	Thanksgiving Holiday	
10	12/1	Nuclear Energy	30
	12/3	Review	