

Eastern Oregon University
Course Syllabus

Number of Course: Phys 203

Name of Course: General Physics w/Algebra

Catalog Description:

An introductory college physics sequence for those whose majors are not in the physical sciences or engineering, which includes the principles of mechanics, waves, sound, thermodynamics, electricity, magnetism, optics, relativity, and quantum theory.

Credit Hours: 4

Required Texts or Suggested Materials:

Are available at: <http://eou.bncollege.com/>

Prerequisites: Phys 202 or equivalent, Math 111, 112, or equivalent. Co-requisite: Phys 203L

Learning Outcomes:

The student should cement their ability to do the following:

Outcome L1: To develop a fundamental understanding of electricity, magnetism, circuits, and optics.

Outcome L2: To apply this knowledge to model natural phenomena.

Outcome L3: To develop an ability to make appropriate use of scientific skills, tools, and resources, especially those involving simulation of physical phenomena.

Course Requirements:

Attendance Policy:

Prior notification is required for excused absences. Extreme circumstances are required in order to be excused from a scheduled examination, and furthermore, arrangements must be worked out with the instructor (not the chair, secretary, etc.) prior to the examination time. There is a 3% penalty for each unexcused absence.

Grading Policies:

Performance on regular lecture examinations, laboratory assignments and examinations, homework and problem assignments, and a comprehensive final exam are used to determine the grade for the course.

Scoring

Lab 20%

Homework 20%

Midterms (2) 20%

Final Exam 40%

Total 100%

Grading Scale (+/- grades will be used)

90% A

75% B

65% C

55% D

Means of Assessment:

Students will be assessed using the following methods:

Outcomes L1, G1, G2, G3: Examinations, Quizzes, and Homework are used to determine students' fundamental understanding of physical law.

Outcomes L2, G2: Formal laboratory experiments are performed by the students. Accompanying laboratory reports are required.

Outcome L3: Construction of laboratory experiments and analysis of laboratory data involve extensive use of scientific skills, tools, and resources used by physicists, including computer simulation.

Brief Outline of Course:

1. Electricity
2. Magnetism
3. Circuits
4. Optics

General Education Category and Outcomes:

Students receive GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (GEC) – Natural, Mathematical, and Information Science Category credit for successful completion of this course with a grade of C- or better. Each Eastern Oregon University GEC course is multi-faceted and accomplishes many of the GEC outcomes. However, the following are those GEC outcomes which are primarily emphasized in this course. The student should cement their ability to do the following:

Outcome G1: (Content Knowledge) Learn and use the vocabulary, content, and conceptual knowledge in a variety of disciplines.

Outcome G2: (Inquiry) Employ approaches to inquiry from a variety of disciplines.

Outcome G3: (Critical Thinking) Think clearly, critically, and effectively, taking into consideration purpose, audience, and occasion.

Outcome G4: (Problem Solving & Analytical Thinking) Use scientific, mathematical, or computer information systems for problem solving.

Writing Center Statements:***For on-campus courses***

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Classroom Decorum:**Academic Misconduct Policy:**

Eastern Oregon University places a high value upon the integrity of its student scholars. Any student found responsible for an act of academic misconduct (including but not limited to cheating, unauthorized collaboration, fabrication, facilitation, plagiarism or tampering) may be subject to having his or her grade reduced in the course in question, being placed on probation or suspended from the University, or a combination of these. (Please see the Student Handbook online at <http://www.eou.edu/sse/student-handbook/>).

Accommodations/Students with Disabilities policy:

Any student who feels he or she may need an accommodation for any type of disability, must contact the Disability Services Office in Loso Hall, Room 234. Phone: 541-962-3081.

Disclaimer:

This standard syllabus provides only general information on the course. For those enrolled in the course a detailed syllabus will be provided by the Instructor at the beginning of the term. Please keep in mind that not all courses are offered every year. Consult Webster for scheduling information.

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