PHYS R133: PHYSICS FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS 3

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College
Oxnard College

Discipline (CB01A)
PHYS - Physics

Course Number (CB01B)
R133

Course Title (CB02)
Physics for Scientists and Engineers 3

Banner/Short Title
Science/Engineering Physics 3

Credit Type
Credit

Start Term
Fall 2021

Catalog Course Description
This course is an introduction to wave motion (with emphasis placed on the study of sound and electromagnetic wave phenomena), geometrical and wave optics, and selected elementary topics on special relativity and quantum mechanics. Central topics include mechanical and electromagnetic waves; geometric optics; interference and diffraction; relativistic kinematics and dynamics; and elementary quantum theory with atomic structure. Although the course emphasizes conceptual understanding, students also learn to apply mathematical techniques such as vector calculus, Fourier analysis, numerical approximations, and multi-variable integration to the solution of problems. The laboratory provides students with opportunities to learn and apply the scientific method through investigations of the phenomena discussed in lecture. The course is appropriate for students majoring in the physical sciences, engineering, mathematics, computer science, and related fields.

Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) Code (CB03)
1902.00 - Physics, General

Course Credit Status (CB04)
D (Credit - Degree Applicable)

Course Transfer Status (CB05) (select one only)
A (Transferable to both UC and CSU)

Course Basic Skills Status (CB08)
N - The Course is Not a Basic Skills Course

SAM Priority Code (CB09)
E - Non-Occupational

Course Cooperative Work Experience Education Status (CB10)
N - Is Not Part of a Cooperative Work Experience Education Program

Course Classification Status (CB11)
Y - Credit Course

Educational Assistance Class Instruction (Approved Special Class) (CB13)
N - The Course is Not an Approved Special Class

Course Prior to Transfer Level (CB21)
Y - Not Applicable

Course Noncredit Category (CB22)
Y - Credit Course

Funding Agency Category (CB23)
Y - Not Applicable (Funding Not Used)

Course Program Status (CB24)
1 - Program Applicable

General Education Status (CB25)
Y - Not Applicable

Support Course Status (CB26)
N - Course is not a support course

Field trips
Will not be required

Grading method
Letter Graded

Does this course require an instructional materials fee?
No

Repeatable for Credit
No

Is this course part of a family?
No

Units and Hours

Carnegie Unit Override
No

In-Class

Lecture
Minimum Contact/In-Class Lecture Hours
70
Maximum Contact/In-Class Lecture Hours
70

Activity

Laboratory
Minimum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours
52.5
Maximum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours
52.5

Total in-Class

Total in-Class
Total Minimum Contact/In-Class Hours
122.5

Total Maximum Contact/In-Class Hours
122.5

Outside-of-Class

Internship/Cooperative Work Experience

Paid

Unpaid

Total Outside-of-Class

Total Outside-of-Class
Minimum Outside-of-Class Hours
140
Maximum Outside-of-Class Hours
140

Total Student Learning

Total Student Learning
Total Minimum Student Learning Hours
262.5
Total Maximum Student Learning Hours
262.5

Minimum Units (CB07)
5
Maximum Units (CB06)
5

Prerequisites
PHYS R132 and MATH R122

Entrance Skills

Entrance Skills

Students are expected to understand aspects of Calculus used in class to derive expressions and to make connections between graphical analyses and derivatives/integrals. Students are also expected to make use of Calculus throughout the class regarding definitions of quantities and problem solving.

Prerequisite Course Objectives

MATH R122-Evaluate two and three dimensional integrals; and
MATH R122-Find the divergence and curl of a vector field;
MATH R122-Compute arc length;
MATH R122-Write the equation of a tangent plane at a point;
MATH R122-Evaluate partial derivatives;
MATH R122-Perform vector operations;
MATH R122-Perform vector operations
MATH R122-Evaluate partial derivatives
MATH R122-Compute arc length

Entrance Skills

Students are expected to have knowledge depicting and solving physical systems by use of diagrams, proper mathematics, and the laws of physics.

Prerequisite Course Objectives

PHYS R132-Draw a diagram or cartoon that clearly and usefully depicts the salient features and characteristics of electromagnetic and thermodynamic systems, and is labeled or annotated so that known and unknown quantities can readily be determined by examination of the diagram and other written information that accompanies it.

PHYS R132-Analyze simple thermodynamic and electromagnetic systems to identify applicable principles (e.g., conservation laws) that may be used to predict the future behavior or evolution of the system.
PHYS R132-Solve conceptual and numerical problems related to the behavior or evolution of a thermodynamic or electromagnetic system by applying those principles identified above.
PHYS R132-Employ appropriate mathematical tools, up to and including vector differentiation and integration, binomial approximations, and linear differential equations, to solve a variety of equations encountered in the study of physics, including geometric/graphical approaches, approximation techniques, and/or numerical methods.
PHYS R132-Argue for or against a scientific hypothesis, supporting his/her conclusions by describing how various physical principles might apply to a novel situation.
PHYS R132-Identify the names and major contributions of notable historical and present-day physicists whose work has expanded humankind's understanding of electromagnetic and thermodynamic systems.

Requisite Justification

Requisite Type
Prerequisite

Requisite
PHYS R132

Requisite Description
Course in a sequence

Level of Scrutiny/Justification
Required by 4 year institution

Requisite Type
Prerequisite

Requisite
MATH R122

Requisite Description
Course not in a sequence

Level of Scrutiny/Justification
Required by 4 year institution

Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs)

	Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:
1	Students will be able to determine the frequencies corresponding to particular standing waves generated on a fixed string given the parameters of the system.
2	Student will be able to calculate the angular dispersion of white light passing through a triangular prism.
3	Students will be able to properly construct a ray diagram and use the information contained to determine the physical properties of the image produced by a lens.

Course Objectives

	Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:
1	Draw a diagram or cartoon that clearly and usefully depicts the salient features and characteristics of an oscillatory, optical, or relativistic system, or of an atom, and is labeled or annotated so that known and unknown quantities can readily be determined by examination of the diagram and other written information that accompanies it.
2	Analyze a simple oscillatory, optical, or relativistic system to identify applicable principles (e.g., conservation laws) that may be used to predict the future behavior or evolution of the system.
3	Solve conceptual and numerical problems related to the behavior or evolution of an oscillatory, optical, or relativistic system, or of an atom, by applying those principles identified above.

4	Employ appropriate mathematical tools, up to and including vector or multivariable differentiation and integration, Fourier analysis, and linear differential equations, to solve a variety of equations encountered in the study of physics, including geometric/graphical approaches, approximation techniques, and/or numerical methods.
5	Argue for or against a scientific hypothesis, supporting his/her conclusions by describing how various physical principles might apply to a novel situation.
6	Identify the names and major contributions of notable historical and present-day physicists whose work has expanded humankind's understanding of mechanical and optical systems.

Course Content

Lecture/Course Content

Lecture topics:

1. Introduction to wave phenomena
   a. Wave parameters
   b. Waves in a wire or string (one-dimensional medium)
   c. Sound waves
      i. Velocity in a gas
      ii. Interference
      iii. Doppler effect
   d. Electromagnetic waves
      i. The electromagnetic spectrum
      ii. Relation to the Maxwell equations
      iii. Radiation pressure
2. Geometrical optics
   a. Reflection, refraction, and dispersion
   b. Mirrors and thin lenses
3. Optical instruments and Wave optics
   a. Interference from slits and thin films
   b. Diffraction and the diffraction grating
   c. Polarization
4. Special relativity
   a. The postulates, space, and time
   b. Relativistic kinematics
   c. Relativistic dynamics and energy, including rest energy
5. Quantum physics
   a. Quantum phenomena
      i. Photoelectric effect
      ii. Compton effect
      iii. The ultraviolet catastrophe and the Planck radiation law for blackbodies
      iv. Atomic spectra
   b. The Bohr theory of the atom
   c. Matter waves
      i. Wave-particle duality
      ii. Wave functions for simple one-particle systems
      iii. Interference of matter waves
      iv. Barrier tunneling
   d. The Heisenberg uncertainty principle
   e. The atomic nucleus, radioactivity, and nuclear models

Laboratory or Activity Content

Labs will include detailed investigations of typical physical systems. Written reports for the labs will include explanations of the theory, the set up, the procedure, data and observations, graphs, and conclusions based on the results.

Laboratory topics include:

1. Oscillations and waves
2. Standing waves on a string
3. Air column resonance: The speed of sound in air
4. Fourier synthesis and analysis
5. Reflection

6. Refraction
7. The Dispersion of White Light
8. Spherical mirrors and lenses
9. Polarized light
10. Single and double slit diffraction
11. The transmission diffraction grating: Measuring the wavelengths of light
12. Line spectra and the Rydberg constant
13. Detection of nuclear radiation: The Geiger counter
14. Radioactive half-life
15. Absorption of nuclear radiation

Methods of Evaluation

Which of these methods will students use to demonstrate proficiency in the subject matter of this course? (Check all that apply):

Problem solving exercises
Written expression

Methods of Evaluation may include, but are not limited to, the following typical classroom assessment techniques/required assignments (check as many as are deemed appropriate):

Computational homework
Essays
Group projects
Laboratory activities
Laboratory reports
Objective exams
Problem-Solving Assignments
Problem-solving exams
Quizzes

Instructional Methodology

Specify the methods of instruction that may be employed in this course

Computer-aided presentations
Distance Education
Demonstrations
Instructor-guided interpretation and analysis
Laboratory activities
Lecture
Small group activities

Describe specific examples of the methods the instructor will use:

1. Computer aided presentation: The instructor may employ the computer to aid in the presentation of course materials which would include simulations of specific phenomena such as traveling waves and computerized graphical representations of aspects of a system such as the Doppler Shift.
2. Demonstrations: The instructor will demonstrate physical principles by employing equipment and other items such as function generators, oscillators, and lasers. For instance, when studying refraction of light, a laser and a prism may be used to show the change in path of light as well as other phenomena such as dispersion.
3. Distance Education (Lecture): When applicable, recordings of lectures will be used to convey subject matter. Also, the use of discussion boards and virtual meetings will be used to allow students to ask questions regarding the course and its material.
4. Distance Education (Lab): Laboratory activities, as noted below, will take place in a virtual setting. The experiments will be tailored to utilize computer simulations, prerecorded data acquisition, live online meetings, and message boards where questions can be asked and answered.
5. Instructor guided analysis: The instructor will work through physics problems during lecture that investigate a given system in which the students will follow along, answering questions posed by the instructor. This will also serve as a forum for students to ask particular questions regarding the logic and methods employed to come to certain conclusions regarding said problem/system.
6. Laboratory activities: Each week the students will perform a laboratory experiment investigating certain aspects of a system that has been discussed in lecture. These experiments will direct the students such that the intricacies of a given system are explored and compared to theoretical expectations. For instance, in the dispersion lab students will launch direct collimated white light upon a prism and make measurements of the resultant dispersion that take place. Results are then compared to the theory covered in class regarding refraction and dispersion.
7. Lecture: The instructor will deliver the course subject matter via in-person lectures to the students. For example, a lecture on Bohr's Model of the Hydrogen Atom.

8. Small group activities (Lecture): These may be employed in the form of group quizzes where students work together in small groups to solve some physics problems regarding current material.
9. Small group activities (Lab): The students will work in small groups while performing the experiments where applicable.

Representative Course Assignments

Writing Assignments

1. Answers to short explanatory (conceptual) questions from the textbook, often assigned from among those at the end of each chapter or posed by the instructor, generally assigned weekly; a typical question might be “In the photoelectric effect, why does the existence of a cutoff frequency speak in favor of the photon theory and against the wave theory?”
2. Laboratory reports, including a brief interpretation of experimental results, answers to conceptual questions from the laboratory manual, and/or a conclusion describing how (or whether) the experimental results supported theoretical principles, typically assigned weekly.

Critical Thinking Assignments

1. Answering a wide array of homework, quiz, and exam questions requiring the analysis of a given physical system or circumstance in order to come to the correct conclusion and/or answer regarding the question and/or desired outcome. For instance, a question regarding the Doppler Effect: An object travels toward you while accelerating at a constant rate 7.00 m/s^2. Starting from rest at a distance of 1000 m from you, it emits a sound with a frequency of 396 Hz. At what distance from you is the object when you hear the sound having a frequency of 441 Hz? Explain the logic used to come to your conclusion.

Reading Assignments

1. Regular textbook readings that reinforce the concepts discussed or demonstrated during the class meetings; these readings generally include theory and principles, descriptions of the results of important experiments, data tables, definitions, problem-solving examples, and practical applications of physics in everyday life and in specialized environments.
2. Library and other research needed to complete homework problems and/or projects.

Skills Demonstrations

None

Other assignments (if applicable)

None

Outside Assignments

Representative Outside Assignments

1. Assigned reading from the textbook typically amounting to one chapter a week. This will amount to 2 hours per week of reading.
2. Assigned conceptual and problem solving based homework that further investigates and explores the notions and theories discussed throughout the course. Typically, homework sets will require 6 hours to fully complete and will be due on a weekly basis.
3. Studying and preparing for quizzes and exams.

Articulation

C-ID Descriptor Number

PHYS 215

Status

Approved

Equivalent Courses at 4 year institutions

University	Course ID	Course Title	Units
Cal State University, Channel Islands	PHYS 202	General Physics III: Light, Relativity and Modern Physics	

Comparable Courses within the VCCCD

PHYS M20C - Wave Motion, Optics, and Modern Physics
PHYS M20CL - Wave Motion, Optics, and Modern Physics Laboratory
PHYS V06 - Optics, Heat, and Modern Physics: For Scientists and Engineers
PHYS V06L - Optics, Heat, and Modern Physics Laboratory for Scientists and Engineers

District General Education

A. Natural Sciences

A2. Physical Science
Approved

B. Social and Behavioral Sciences

C. Humanities

D. Language and Rationality

E. Health and Physical Education/Kinesiology

F. Ethnic Studies/Gender Studies

Course is CSU transferable
Yes

CSU Baccalaureate List effective term:
Fall 1999

CSU GE-Breadth

Area A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking

Area B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning

B1 Physical Science
Approved

Area C: Arts and Humanities

Area D: Social Sciences

Area E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development

Area F: Ethnic Studies

CSU Graduation Requirement in U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals:

UC TCA

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Approved

IGETC

Area 1: English Communication

Area 2A: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning

Area 3: Arts and Humanities

Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences

Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences

Area 5A: Physical Science
Approved

Area 5C: Laboratory Science
Approved

Area 6: Languages Other than English (LOTE)

Textbooks and Lab Manuals

Resource Type
Manual

Description
Miller, J.W. (2020). *Physics 133 Laboratory Experiments*. Oxnard, Justin Miller.

Resource Type
Textbook

Description
Serway, R.A., and Jewett, J.W. (2019). *Physics for Scientists and Engineers with Modern Physics* (10th). Belmont, Brooks/Cole.

Resource Type
Other Resource Type

Description
Supplemental handouts on selected topics prepared by the instructor..

Distance Education Addendum

Definitions

Distance Education Modalities
Hybrid (51%–99% online)
Hybrid (1%–50% online)
100% online

Faculty Certifications

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will receive training in how to satisfy the Federal and state regulations governing regular effective/substantive contact for distance education. The training will include common elements in the district-supported learning management system (LMS), online teaching methods, regular effective/substantive contact, and best practices.
Yes

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will meet with the EAC Alternate Media Specialist to ensure that the course content meets the required Federal and state accessibility standards for access by students with disabilities. Common areas for discussion include accessibility of PDF files, images, captioning of videos, Power Point presentations, math and scientific notation, and ensuring the use of style mark-up in Word documents.

Yes

Regular Effective/Substantive Contact

Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality:

Method of Instruction	Document typical activities or assignments for each method of instruction
Other DE (e.g., recorded lectures)	The students will watch recorded lecture videos that go over the pertinent subject matter of the course.
Synchronous Dialog (e.g., online chat)	The students will join live, online meetings in which they will receive instruction, be reminded of all upcoming assignments/events, and be allowed to ask questions pertaining to the lecture and lab material. Recordings will be made available of all live meetings. Students may also be put into small groups to discuss a given class problem.
Asynchronous Dialog (e.g., discussion board)	Students will have access to a discussion board in which they can ask questions regarding the course material.
Face to Face (by student request; cannot be required)	Face to face meetings can be arranged when needed.
Other DE (e.g., recorded lectures)	Recordings of data acquisition and/or simulation use regarding a given lab experiment may be used.

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100% online Modality:

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Examinations

Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality

Online

On campus

Hybrid (51%–99% online) Modality
Online
On campus

Primary Minimum Qualification
PHYSICS/ASTRONOMY

Review and Approval Dates

Department Chair
09/02/2020

Dean
09/02/2020

Technical Review
09/23/2020

Curriculum Committee
09/23/2020

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MM/DD/YYYY

Curriculum Committee
11/25/2020

Board
MM/DD/YYYY

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CCC000160658

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