

COLLIN COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Information

Course Number: PHYS 1401

Course Title: College Physics I

Course Description:

Lecture: Fundamental principles of physics, using algebra and trigonometry; the principles and applications of classical mechanics and thermodynamics, including harmonic motion, mechanical waves and sound, physical systems, Newton's Laws of Motion, and gravitation and other fundamental forces; with emphasis on problem solving.

Lab: Laboratory activities will reinforce fundamental principles of physics, using algebra and trigonometry; the principles and applications of classical mechanics and thermodynamics, including harmonic motion, mechanical waves and sound, physical systems, Newton's Laws of Motion, and gravitation and other fundamental forces; emphasis will be on problem solving.

Course Credit Hours: 4

Lecture Hours: 3

Lab Hours: 3

Prerequisites: MATH 1314, and either MATH 1316 or MATH 2412

Student Learning Outcomes:

- **State-mandated Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

Lecture

1. Determine the components of linear motion (displacement, velocity, and acceleration), and especially motion under conditions of constant acceleration.
2. Apply Newton's laws to physical problems including gravity.
3. Solve problems using principles of energy.
4. Use principles of impulse and linear momentum to solve problems.
5. Solve problems in rotational kinematics and dynamics, including the determination of the location of the center of mass and center of rotation for rigid bodies in motion.
6. Solve problems involving rotational and linear motion.
7. Describe the components of a wave and relate those components to mechanical vibrations, sound, and decibel level.
8. Demonstrate an understanding of equilibrium, including the different types of equilibrium.
9. Discuss simple harmonic motion and its application to quantitative problems or qualitative questions.
10. Solve problems using the principles of heat and thermodynamics.
11. Solve basic fluid mechanics problems.

Lab

1. Demonstrate techniques to set up and perform experiments, collect data from those experiments, and formulate conclusions from an experiment.
2. Record experimental work completely and accurately in laboratory notebooks, and communicate experimental results clearly in written reports.
3. Determine the components of linear motion (displacement, velocity, and acceleration), and especially motion under conditions of constant acceleration.
4. Apply Newton's laws to physical problems including gravity.
5. Solve problems using principles of energy.
6. Describe the components of a wave and relate those components to mechanical vibrations, sound, and decibel level.
7. Use principles of impulse and linear momentum to solve problems.
8. Solve problems in rotational kinematics and dynamics, including the determination of the location of the center of mass and center of rotation for rigid bodies in motion.
9. Solve problems involving rotational and linear motion.
10. Demonstrate an understanding of equilibrium, including the different types of equilibrium.
11. Discuss simple harmonic motion and its application to quantitative problems or qualitative questions.
12. Solve problems using the principles of heat and thermodynamics.
13. Solve basic fluid mechanics problems.

- **Additional Collin Outcomes:**

1. Demonstrate knowledge of basic units of measurement and their relationships
2. Solve problems through equations involving the motion of bodies (Critical Thinking; Empirical/Quantitative)
3. Solve problems involving forces including frictional forces
4. Solve problems involving work and energy
5. Solve problems involving momentum and collisions
6. Explain the basic principles of fluid dynamics
7. Apply the principles of heat and thermodynamics

8. Explain and apply the principles of wave motion and sound
9. Demonstrate the collections, analysis, and reporting of data using the scientific method (Communication Skills; Teamwork)

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Collin College Academic Policies: See the current *Collin Student Handbook*.

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