

Shanghai University of Finance & Economics

2020 Summer Program

PHY 101 Introduction to Physics with Lab

Course Outline

Term: June 1 – June 26, 2020

Class Hours: 18:00-19:50 (Monday through Friday)

Course Code: PHY 101

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Credit: 4

Class Hours: This course will have 52 class hours, including 32 lecture hours& lab sessions, 8-hour TA discussion sessions, 4-hour review sessions, professor 8 office hours.

Course Description: This course will provide an introduction to Classical Mechanics, the precise description of motion and the causes of change of motion.

Course Objectives:

- 1. Students will be able to develop quantitative models appropriate to problems in Physics.
- 2. Students will be able to assess the strengths and limitations of quantitative models and methods used in Physics.
- 3. Students will be able to apply symbolic systems of representation.
- 4. Students will be able to collect, organize and analyze data from a variety of sources. Students will be able to formulate structured and logical arguments.
- 5. Students will be able to test hypotheses and make recommendations or predictions based on



results.

- 6. Students will be able to communicate and represent quantitative information or results numerically, symbolically, aurally, visually, verbally, or in writing.
- 7. Students will have a basic understanding of the laws of mechanics and Newton's law of gravitation.

Required Textbooks: Fundamentals of Physics by David Halliday, Robert Resnick and Jearl Walker

Grading & Evaluation:

Course will be evaluated based on homework 30%, one midterm exams 35%, and one final exam 35%. Typically, the standard grade assignment will apply, i.e. 95-100 A, 90-94 A-, 88-89.9 B+, 84-87.9 B, 80-83.9 B-, 78-79.9 C+, 74-77.9 C, 70-73.9 C-, 68-69.9 D+, 64-67.9 D, 60-63.9 D-, Below 60 F.

Course schedule:

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Introduction	1-d Kinematics:	Constant	2-d Kinematics:	Lab:
Week 1	• Units and Dimensional Analysis	SpeedVelocityAcceleration	Acceleration: • Free Fall	VectorsProjectileMotion	Free Fall Projectile Motion TA Session
Week 2	2-d Kinematics: • Circular Motion	Dynamics: • Newton's Laws	Newton's Laws-FrictionStatic Equilibrium	Centripetal forcesWork and Kinetic Energy	Exam 1 Exam discussion TA Session
Week 3	Potential	Systems of Particles and Momentum	Rotational Kinematics	Rotational Dynamics	Lab: • Friction TA Session
Week 4	Oscillatory Motion, Waves, Resonance	The Law of Gravitation	Kepler's Laws	Review TA Session	Final Exam