

Physics 100
Elements of Physical Science
M-W 7:00 – 8:15 pm Lecture
Merion 112

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Class

Recommended (Not Required) Hardcopy Book

Physics of Everyday Phenomena, Griffith, 8th edition
Conceptual Physics, Hewitt

Course Description

This course is designed to increase your understanding of the world around you both qualitatively and quantitatively. The goal of this course is to enhance your skills as a layman to think and communicate like a physicist.

Grading

Your grade will be determined by your performance on the TESTS and QUESTS. You will also receive points for your effort on weekly online quizzes. Your final grade cannot be more than 15 points higher than your grade on the last exam which will be held in class on the last day of classes.

Book (Recommended, not required)

FHSST: Physics

This is a free, online textbook that you can download from the following site:

http://nongnu.askapache.com/fhsst/Physics_Grade_10-12.pdf

It is also posted in the Content section of D2L for this course.

Chapters covered

Chapter 2 –Units

Chapter 3 – One Dimensional Motion

Chapter 11 – Vectors

Chapter 21 (Sections 1-2) – Projectiles

Chapter 12 (Sections 1-4) – Newton's Laws

FIRST TEST

Circular Motion (I don't know why this book does not cover it)

Chapter 4 (Sections 1-2) – Gravity and Weight

FIRST QUEST (between a test and a quiz)

Chapter 4 (Sections 3-6) – Energy

Chapter 22 (Section 2) – Hooke's Law

Chapter 23 – Work, Energy, and Power

Chapter 12 (Section 5) – Momentum and Impulse

Chapter 21 (Sections 3-4) – Collisions

SECOND TEST

Chapters 5, 6, and 14 – Waves

Chapter 15 – Sound

Chapter 16 – Music

Chapter 24 – Doppler Effect

Chapter 7 – Light

Chapter 13 – Optics

Chapter 25 – Color

Chapter 26 – Diffraction and Sonic Boom

THIRD TEST

Chapter 9 – Electrostatics

Chapter 17 – more Electrostatics

Chapter 10 – Circuits

Chapter 19 – more Circuits

Chapter 8 – Magnetism

Chapter 18 – E&M

Chapter 20 – Electric Properties of Matter

LAST TEST

(only paper and pencil test of the semester)

The last exam will be taken in class on Monday, December 12th from 7 pm – 10 pm.

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