



PHYSICS II

2013-2014

Course Description:

Physics II is a second level physics course (non-calculus based) intended for students who are considering pursuit of a science-oriented program in college.

Course Content:

- I. In Depth Review
 - Motion in one dimension
 - Vectors and two dimensional motion

- II. Circular Motion
 - Rotational kinematics
 - Rotational dynamics
 - Rotational equilibrium

- III. Simple Harmonic Motion
 - Wave properties
 - Springs, pendula, simple harmonic oscillators

- IV. Static Electricity
 - Electric forces
 - Electric fields
 - Potential difference (voltage)

- V. Electrical Energy
 - Capacitance
 - Electrical potential and current

- VI. Electrical Circuits (Direct Current)
 - Resistance, current, voltage
 - Series circuits
 - Parallel circuits
 - Compound circuits

- VII. Magnetism
 - Magnetic fields
 - Induced current, induced voltage
 - Inductance

VIII. Alternating Current (AC) Circuits

- Inductors
- Capacitors
- Resistors (RLC) Circuits
- Resonance
- Transformers

IX. Wave Optics

- Wave properties
- Diffraction
- Single slit, double slit, diffraction gratings
- Spectroscopic analysis

X. Relativity

- Einstein's postulates and theory of relativity
- Time dilation
- Length contraction

Required Textbooks and/or Other Reading/Research Materials

The textbook is used as a supplemental source for additional examples and problems.

College Physics by Serway and Vuille. Brooks/Cole, 2012.

Course Requirements:

PHYSICS I with a minimum grade of B or HONORS PHYSICS with a minimum grade of B-.

Grade Components/Assessments:

Grades will be weighted based on a category percentage. Sapphire will automatically give a student's grade total as a weighted percentage based on the following category percentage breakdown:

Test/Quizzes: 50%

Labs/Projects: 30%

Homework/Class participation: 20%

Each marking period is worth 20% of a student's overall grade. The midterm and final exam are each worth 10% of a student's overall average:

Quarter 1	20%
Quarter 2	20%
Midterm	10%
Quarter 3	20%
Quarter 4	20%
Final	10%

Required Summer Reading/Assignments:

There are no summer reading assignments.

