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PHYSICS 101-01

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Lecture: M 9:25-12:05 rm 3.65, Section 01

Lab: W 9:25-12:05 rm 3.65, Section 01

Co-requisite: Math 105

Required Text:

Knight, R., Jones, B., & Field, S. (2009). College physics: A strategic approach, 2nd edition, Volume 1 (Chapters 1-16). Addison Wesley. ISBN: 0321598520

→ This book can be ordered online. It is not available in the bookstore.

→ If you think you might take Phy102, consider purchasing the whole book (not just vol. 1)

Required Homework System: www.webassign.com, class key [jjay.cuny 3042 1765](#)

→ Click "I have a class key" on right side of webpage.

Course Description: Phy101 is an algebra-based introductory physics course. Concepts from Phy101 include motion, forces, energy, and momentum. Knowledge will be constructed through experimentation and practices of science. Knowledge will then be applied to understand real-world phenomena, current issues (local and global), and topics of interest. Phy101 requires active learning, engagement, and full participation.

Learning Outcomes: As a result of active participation in the course, students will develop the following knowledge, reasoning ability, practical skills, and communication skills.

- **KNOWLEDGE: Develop knowledge of physics concepts including motion, forces, energy, and momentum.** These are the fundamental concepts in mechanics and provide the basis for understanding our physical world and for future study in physics.
- **KNOWLEDGE: Develop a rich understanding of the nature and epistemology of science.** Students will learn how science knowledge is constructed and will participate in constructing knowledge as well. This will help students to understand the applications and limitations of science knowledge and research.
- **KNOWLEDGE: Develop an understanding of the relation of science, technology, and society, in particular, how physics applies to real-world phenomena, current issues (local and global), and topics of interest.** This will allow students to apply physics in their everyday lives as scientists and informed individuals.
- **REASONING: Develop metacognition and self-efficacy in science.** Students will build problem-solving and thinking skills, as well as confidence in their abilities as scientists. Physics requires much problem solving, mathematical and conceptual, doing calculations and in the lab. Through practice, these skills will become more expert-like.
- **PRACTICAL SKILLS: Develop skills and abilities related to the practices of science.** Students will be able to design, perform, and evaluate experimental studies. They may apply this method to test ideas or solve problems in their everyday lives.
- **COMMUNICATION: Develop collaborative skills and skills in scientific discourse.** Students will often work in collaboration and will do presentations and submit written reports. They will learn the language of science (written and oral) as well as newer technology-enhanced communication methods (email, google docs, blogs, etc.)

Course Policies:

1) Attendance: PROMPTNESS AND ATTENDANCE ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THIS COURSE. You are required to attend all lecture and lab sessions, and to be on time. The instructor will call roll at the beginning of class (9:25am). This is the only time attendance will be taken. Tardies will not be recognized. If you are late you are welcome to attend class to learn and complete assignments, but you will be marked absent if you were not present when roll was called. More than six (6) absences (as determined by the attendance roll call record) are considered excessive and ***you will receive a grade of F.*** Work missed due to absence will not be accepted.

2) Blackboard and Email: Course grades, assignments, and resources will be posted on Blackboard. You are responsible for any and all course information, assignments, announcements, and communication that occur through blackboard and/or your email account. For this reason, you must check blackboard and your John Jay e-mail account regularly. Also, many assignments will be submitted and feedback will be given through email. It is your responsibility to submit assignments via email by assignment due dates. Contact DoIT for help with John Jay e-mail or Blackboard.

3) Physics Notebook: In addition to the course textbook, you will record and organize your knowledge and application in a 3-ring binder. You will 3-hole punch all notes, documents, and worksheets and organize them by unit in your binder. This will be your self-created text that you will reference as you learn.

4) Required Materials: 3-ring binder, loose-leaf paper, calculator, textbook, webassign account
*Cell phone calculator may be used during class but NOT during exams.

Grading:

Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam	20%
Lab Work	20%
Homework	20%
Blog	20%
Total	100%

Midterm and Final Exams: The midterm and final exams are cumulative and therefore assess course content from the beginning of the course through the exam date. Exams are based on in class work (including labs and class activities) and homework (including the textbook). At least 1-week notice will be given prior to exam dates. Make-up exams will not be given.

Lab Work: Labs are conducted on Mondays and lab write-ups are due via email the following Monday before 9am – no exceptions. These will be done in groups and each group member will receive the same grade. Each group member should be “first author” on a lab write-up. Since there are 12 labs in total, you will be first author on at least 3 labs. Other group members may take on roles such as equipment manager, recorder, and skeptic. **Students absent on the day a lab was conducted will receive a zero for the lab grade.**

Homework: Homework is assigned on Wednesdays and due the following Wednesday before 9am using www.webassign.com. Questions come from the textbook and learning resources are available on the website. Each homework assignment includes textbook reading and a problem set.

Blog: We will create a class blog where you can post pictures, videos, thoughts, articles, links, etc. related to your study of physics. Your postings should demonstrate how you see physics in your world -- there is no right or wrong thing to post about. If you post multimedia, please include a short paragraph explaining your thoughts about the posting. You can post as often as you like -- you must post at least 3 times before the midterm and 3 times after the midterm for a 100%. Your class blog website is <http://jjayphysics01.blogspot.com/> and you can post by sending an email to miss.diane.crenshaw.physics01@blogger.com

Overall Grade: The grading scale to the right is the official grading scale for this course. There will be no exceptions to this scale and grades will not be rounded, except as explained here. The “overall” grade in Blackboard will be rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. This is the final grade and no further manipulations will be made. The scale here will then be strictly used. This means that a 72.94% is a “C-“ and a 72.95% is a “C.” These calculations are done by the computer so there are no judgment calls or “leniency.” You should track your overall grade online via Blackboard.

93.0 and above	A
90.0 - 92.9	A-
87.0 - 89.9	B+
83.0 - 86.9	B
80.0 - 82.9	B-
77.0 - 79.9	C+
73.0 - 76.9	C
70.0 - 72.9	C-
67.0 - 69.9	D+
63.0 - 66.9	D
60.0 - 62.9	D-
below 60.0	F

Additional Resources: The Math and Science Resource Center offers free tutoring if you want extra help with physics or if you want to brush up on your math skills. They are located in the New Building rm 01.94. Phone: 646.557.4635, email: msrc@jjay.cuny.edu, website: www.jjay.cuny.edu/academics/592.php

College Wide Policies:

1) Incomplete Grade Policy: An Incomplete Grade may be given only to those students who would pass the course if they were to satisfactorily complete course requirements. It is within the discretion of the faculty member as to whether or not to give the grade of Incomplete.

2) Extra Work During the Semester: Any extra credit coursework opportunities during the semester for a student to improve his or her grade must be made available to all students at the same time. Furthermore, there is no obligation on the part of any instructor to offer extra credit work in any course. The term “extra credit work” refers to optional work that may be assigned by the instructor to all students in addition to the required work for the course that all students must complete. It is distinguished from substitute assignments or substitute work that may be assigned by the instructor to individual students, such as make-up assignments to accommodate emergencies or to accommodate the special circumstances of individual students.

3) Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: Qualified students with disabilities will be provided reasonable academic accommodations if determined eligible by the Office of Accessibility Services (OAS). Prior to granting disability accommodations in this course, the instructor must receive written verification of a student’s eligibility from the OAS which is located at L66 in the new building (212-237-8031). It is the student’s responsibility to initiate contact with the office and to follow the established procedures for having the accommodation notice sent to the instructor.

Statement of the College Policy on Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is the presentation of someone else's ideas, words, or artistic, scientific, or technical work as one's own creation. Using the ideas or work of another is permissible only when the original author is identified. Paraphrasing and summarizing, as well as direct quotations require citations to the original source. Plagiarism may be intentional or unintentional. Lack of dishonest intent does not necessarily absolve a student of responsibility for plagiarism. It is the student's responsibility to recognize the difference between statements that are common knowledge (which do not require documentation) and restatements of the ideas of others. Paraphrase, summary, and direct quotation are acceptable forms of restatement, as long as the source is cited. Students who are unsure how and when to provide documentation are advised to consult with their instructors. The Library has free guides designed to help students with problems of documentation.

Course Calendar		
Date	Topic	Lessons and Labs
Mon 8/27	Unit 1: Constant Velocity	Lab 1: Constant Velocity -- represent the motion of a buggy moving at constant velocity; create graphical and mathematical models for any object moving at a constant velocity
Wed 8/29		Concepts: position, displacement, velocity (and scalar, vector, frame of reference) Representations: Position vs. time graphs, Velocity vs. time graphs, motion maps, pictures
Mon 9/3	Labor Day: College is Closed	
Wed 9/5	Unit 2: Acceleration	Concepts: instantaneous velocity, acceleration Representations: position vs. time graphs, velocity vs. time graphs, motion maps, kinematic equations
Mon 9/10		Lab 2: Constant Acceleration – represent the motion of a marble rolling down a ramp; create visual, graphical, and mathematical models for any object moving at a constant acceleration
Wed 9/12		Apply findings to solve problems with graphs, mathematics, and visual representations; present problem solving
Mon 9/17	Rash Hashanah: No classes	
Wed 9/19		Apply findings with motion detectors – practice predicting the graphical representations of a cart on a ramp; verify predictions with motion detectors. *No Lab 3
Mon 9/24	Unit 3: Free Fall	Lab 4: Acceleration due to Gravity -- represent the motion of a falling object; determine what factors do and don't affect the rate at which an object falls.
Wed 9/26	Yom Kippur: No classes	
Mon 10/1		Apply findings to solve problems with graphs, mathematics, and visual representations; present problem solving
Wed 10/3	Unit 4: 2-D Motion	Concepts: independence of x and y directions Representations: x and y position vs. time graphs, velocity vs. time graphs, acceleration vs. time graphs
Mon 10/8	Columbus Day: College is Closed	
Wed 10/10 *follow Mon schedule		Lab 5: Projectile Motion -- represent the motion of a 2-dimensional projectile motion by i) dividing the motion into x and y components and ii) applying the constant velocity model and constant acceleration model; create graphical and mathematical models for any object moving in a

		projectile.
Mon 10/15		Review: Bring together ideas from previous units to solve problems involving motion.
Wed 10/17	*midterm	
Mon 10/22	Unit 5: Newton's Laws	Lab 6: Force Lab Stations – define force and mass; develop understandings of types of forces including friction, gravity, and normal; relate force to motion including velocity and acceleration.
Wed 10/24		Concepts: Newton's 1 st law, mass, inertia, net force, force due to gravity (weight), normal force, friction, tension Representations: Force diagrams
Mon 10/29		Lab 7: Reconciling Common Sense with Newton's 1 st and 2 nd Laws – explain Newton's 1 st and 2 nd Laws drawing from intuition.
Wed 10/31		Concepts: Newton's 2 nd Law Apply findings to solve problems involving forces
Mon 11/5		Lab 8: Counterintuitive ideas: Newton's 3 rd Law -- explain Newton's 3 rd Law drawing from intuition.
Wed 11/7		Concepts: Newton's 3 rd Law Apply findings to solve problems involving forces
Mon 11/12	Unit 6: Energy	Lab 9: Force and Elastic Energy of a Spring -- determine the relationship between the force applied to a spring and how far the spring stretches; determine the relationship between how far the spring is stretched and the elastic potential energy stored in the stretched spring.
Wed 11/14		Concepts: Conservation of energy, modes of energy storage (kinetic, gravitational, elastic, internal, and chemical) Representations: Energy pie, energy bar graph Apply findings to explain how energy is conserved in systems through different modes of energy storage, including kinetic, gravitational, elastic, internal, and chemical.
Mon 11/19		Lab 10: Skateboard simulation – Analyze the energy of a skateboarder on a ramp: describe how his energy storage modes change as he moves through the ramp; explain how his position on the ramp relates to his energy and speed.
Wed 11/21		Concepts: Power Apply findings to solve problems using concepts of energy and power
Mon 11/26	Unit 7: Circular Motion	Lab 11: Centripetal Force -- determine the relationship between centripetal force and the velocity of an object moving in a circular path.
Wed 11/28		Concepts: centripetal force, centripetal acceleration Apply findings to solve problems concerning

		objects moving in circles or around a curve.
Mon 12/3	Unit 8: Momentum	Lab 12: Collisions – determine a relationship between the velocity of objects before a collision and the velocity of objects after a collision.
Wed 12/5		Concepts: momentum, conservation of momentum Apply findings to solve problems about colliding objects.
16 Mon 12/10		Lab 13: Why is momentum conserved in collisions? – explain conservation of momentum using intuitive ideas, such as “oomph”
Wed 12/12	*Last day of class	Review: Bring together ideas from previous units to solve problems involving motion (including circular motion), forces, energy, and momentum.
TBA	Final Exam	

*Course calendar is tentative and subject to change as instructor sees fit.