

# PHYA22H3 Syllabus – Winter 2019

## Physics II for the Life Sciences

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**Office Hours:** To be announced & by appointment

### Required text:

*Physics for Scientists and Engineers: A Strategic Approach, 4th Edition by Randall D. Knight.*

Suggested problems will be posted to Quercus regularly.

### General course calendar description:

The course covers the main concepts of Waves, Optics, Electricity and Magnetism, and Atomic and Nuclear Physics. It provides basic knowledge of these topics with particular emphasis on its applications in the life sciences.

### Prerequisite:

[PHYA10H3 or PHYA11H3 or (PHYA01H3)] and [MATA29H3 or MATA30H3 or MATA31H3]

### Corequisite:

(MATA21H3) or MATA35H3 or MATA36H3 or MATA37H3.

Note: (MATA21H3) and MATA35H3 do not allow for many future programs in science.

### Exclusion:

PHYA21H3, (PHY110Y), PHY132H, PHY135Y, (PHY138Y), PHY152H

**Course organization:** 3 hours of lecture, 3 hours of practical every week.

### Course Evaluation:

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|---------------------------|-----|
| Practicals:               | 15% |
| Formal lab report:        | 10% |
| Test 1:                   | 15% |
| Test 2:                   | 15% |
| Final Exam:               | 40% |
| Participation (clickers): | 5%  |

**Lectures:**

There will be two lectures each week in SW 319:

Wednesdays 10 AM – 12 noon & Fridays 11 AM – 12 noon.

Participation in lectures will be graded through the use of clickers. These can be purchased from the U of T Bookstore. They must be registered with the course through Quercus.

Lecture slides and/or notes will be posted to Quercus.

*Out of respect for other students in the class, please avoid distracting others, e.g., ensure phones are turned to silent, do not play games or videos, etc.*

**Tentative lecture schedule:**

| <b>Week &amp; dates</b>    | <b>Topic</b>             | <b>Textbook section(s)</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Week 1 (Jan. 09 & 11)      | Course intro & waves     | Chapter 16                 |
| Week 2 (Jan. 16 & 18)      | Superposition of waves   | Chapter 17                 |
| Week 3 (Jan. 23 & 25)      | Optics                   | Chapter 33 & 34            |
| Week 4 (Jan. 30 & Feb. 01) | Lenses                   | Chapter 34 & 35            |
| Week 5 (Feb. 06 & 8)       | Electric Charge & Forces | Chapter 22                 |
| Week 6 (Feb. 13 & 15)      | Electric Fields          | Chapter 23                 |
| Week 7 (Feb. 27 & Mar. 01) | Electric Potential       | Chapter 25                 |
| Week 8 (Mar. 06 & 08)      | Current & Circuits       | Chapter 27 & 28            |
| Week 9 (Mar. 13 & 15)      | Circuits                 | Chapter 28                 |
| Week 10 (Mar. 20 & 22)     | Magnetism                | Chapter 29                 |
| Week 11 (Mar. 27 & 29)     | Atomic physics           | Chapter 41                 |
| Week 12 (Apr. 03 & 05)     | Nuclear physics          | Chapter 42                 |

**Questions and email policy:**

You can use the discussion board on Quercus to ask questions about the course and its content. Often, other students will respond quicker than TAs or I will.

Medical and personal issues should be discussed with me through email.

My email policy is to respond within two business days. You should consult your TA for their email policy; however, they are also balancing many obligations and should not be expected to reply to emails immediately. Please plan accordingly.

*Please include PHYA22 in the email subject and provide your full name and student number in your message.*

### Tests and Exam:

The term tests and the exam will cover the lectures, practicals, and assigned sections of the textbook. All tests and exams are cumulative.

You will be permitted to bring a single 8.5" by 11" sheet of paper with hand-written notes on both sides (no photocopies) for the tests and exams. This aid sheet may contain anything you want.

### Practicals:

There are six practical sections for this term:

| MEETING SECTION | DAY     | START TIME | END TIME | LOCATION | TA  |
|-----------------|---------|------------|----------|----------|-----|
| PRA0003         | Monday  | 13:00      | 16:00    | SW 505 A | TBA |
| PRA0004         | Monday  | 13:00      | 16:00    | SW 505 D | TBA |
| PRA0005         | Tuesday | 09:00      | 12:00    | SW 505 A | TBA |
| PRA0006         | Tuesday | 09:00      | 12:00    | SW 505 D | TBA |
| PRA0007         | Tuesday | 13:00      | 16:00    | SW 505 A | TBA |
| PRA0008         | Tuesday | 13:00      | 16:00    | SW 505 D | TBA |

You must attend your assigned practical session throughout the term.

Practicals are held every week and will involve a mix of problem solving and activities, performed in groups of 3 or 4 students. Work is collaborative; each group will receive one grade. Some of these activities will be marked each week.

You will not have to purchase a lab book for this course.

There will be a formal lab report required for this course, worth 10% of your grade. This will be submitted by your lab group (3 – 4 students). Details on expectations and grading will be discussed and posted later in the term.

### Absence policy

Practicals are team-based. It is important you attend all sessions. Absences forfeit the grade for that week and, in addition, your overall practicals grade will be penalized by the cube of the number of absences. For example, 2 absences result in a penalty of  $2^3 = 8\%$  and so on.

If you are more than 15 minutes late, you will be counted as absent and incur the cube of absences penalty. You can receive credit for group work if you arrive before the bulk of that work has begun at your TA's discretion.

Exceptions will be made for legitimate medical and personal reasons. For health reasons, please provide documentation from UTSC Health Services.

## **Relevant U of T Policies**

### **Academic Integrity**

The University treats cases of cheating and plagiarism very seriously. The University of Toronto's Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters outlines the behaviours that constitute academic dishonesty and the processes for addressing academic offences.

Details: <http://www.governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/policies/behaveac.htm>

Potential offences in papers and assignments include using someone else's ideas or words without appropriate acknowledgement, submitting your own work in more than one course without the permission of the instructor, making up sources or facts, obtaining or providing unauthorized assistance on any assignment.

On tests and exams cheating includes using or possessing unauthorized aids, looking at someone else's answers during an exam or test, misrepresenting your identity, or falsifying or altering any documentation required by the University, including (but not limited to) doctor's notes.

### **Recordings**

Recording or photographing any aspect of a university course - lecture, tutorial, seminar, lab, etc. – without prior approval of all involved and with written approval from the instructor is not permitted. In the case of private use by students with disabilities, the instructor's consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

### **Accessibility**

Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. In particular, if you have a disability/health consideration that may require accommodations, please feel free to approach me and/or the *AccessAbility* Services as soon as possible.

*AccessAbility* Services staff (located in Rm SW302, Science Wing) are available by appointment to assess specific needs, provide referrals and arrange appropriate accommodations 416-287-7560 or email [ability@utsc.utoronto.ca](mailto:ability@utsc.utoronto.ca). The sooner you let us know your needs the quicker we can assist you in achieving your learning goals in this course.