



# Course Specification

## — (Bachelor)

**Course Title:** Principles of Physics (1)

**Course Code:** 204-PHYS-4

**Program** BS in Computer Science  
BS in Information Systems  
BS in Computer and Network Engineering

**Department:** Physics Department

**College:** College of Science

**Institution:** Jazan University, Jazan

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## A. General information about the course:

### 1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: (4)

#### 2. Course type

- A. ☐ University ☒ College ☐ Department ☐ Track ☐ Others
- B. ☒ Required ☐ Elective

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (Level -3 / Year 02)

#### 4. Course general Description:

This course provides basic concepts for the physical quantities related to units and dimensions, basic principles of mechanics, heat, fluids, elasticity, electric & magnetic fields and basic ray optics, laws of motion, Newton's laws.

5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any): None

6. Co-requisites for this course (if any): None

#### 7. Course Main Objective(s):

**This course is designed to provide students with basic principles of:**

- Units and dimensions, vectors, motion in one and two dimensions, laws of motion, and rotation of rigid objects.
- Elasticity and fluid mechanics.
- Oscillations, mechanical waves, and sound.
- Temperature and thermodynamics.
- Electric field, electric potential, electric current, resistance and electric power.
- Skills to solve problems regarding the physical principles included.
- Physical experiments to be performed and analyzed.

### 2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction   | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1  | Traditional classroom | 45            | 60         |
| 2  | E-learning            |               |            |
| 3  | Hybrid                |               |            |





| No | Mode of Instruction   | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|---|---------------|------------|
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traditional classroom</li> <li>E-learning</li> </ul> |               |            |
| 4  | Distance learning   |               |            |
| 5  | Other   | 30            | 40         |

### 3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

| No    | Activity          | Contact Hours |
|-------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1.    | Lectures          | 45            |
| 2.    | Laboratory/Studio | 30            |
| 3.    | Field             |               |
| 4.    | Tutorial          |               |
| 5.    | Others (specify)  |               |
| Total |                   | 75            |

## B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes  | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies                   | Assessment Methods   |
|------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1.0  | Knowledge and understanding   |                                   |                                       |  |
| 1.1  | <b>Recall</b> units of physical quantities, vector quantity, scalar quantity, Newton laws, conservation law of mechanical energy, conservation law of linear momentum. Ohm's law, heat, electricity, Coulomb's law, magnetic field, elasticity, | <b>PLO 1.1</b>                    | Lecture, discussion in class and labs | <b>Direct:</b> Quiz and mid-term & final Exams.<br><b>Indirect:</b> student survey |
| 1.2  | <b>Define</b> all the physical quantities related to: unit and dimensions, basic  | <b>PLO 1.2</b>                    | Lecture, discussion in class and labs | <b>Direct:</b> Quiz and mid-term & final Exams.<br><b>Indirect:</b>                |





| Code | Course Learning Outcomes  | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies   | Assessment Methods   |
|------|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|
|      | principles of mechanics, heat, fluids, elasticity, electric & magnetic fields and basic ray optics, laws of motion, Newton's laws   |                                   |   | student survey   |
| ...  |   |                                   |   |  |
| 2.0  | Skills  |                                   |   |  |
| 2.1  | <b>Solve</b> problems related to dimensional analysis, vectors, rotational dynamics, elasticity, viscosity, laws of motion, heat, sound waves electric & magnetic forces. | <b>PLO 2.1</b>                    | Lecture, discussion in class and labs                               | <b>Direct:</b> Quiz and mid-term & final Exams.<br><b>Indirect:</b> student survey                         |
| 2.2  | <b>Perform</b> experiments using different analog and digital devices and plot the characteristics of different types of devices  | <b>PLO 2.2</b>                    | Hands on lab demonstrations-guided discussion – guided discovery    | Lab report, final exam sheets and assessment.  |
| 2.3  | <b>Develop</b> communication competencies during interactive discussion, group assignments  | <b>PLO 2.3</b>                    | Hands on lab demonstrations-guided discussion – guided discovery    | Lab report, final exam sheets and assessment.  |
| 3.0  | Values, autonomy, and responsibility  |                                   |   |  |
| 3.1  | <b>Demonstrate</b> skills to work in groups, also take responsibility for other's safety in lab.  | <b>PLO 3.1</b>                    | Interactive and Group discussion, expository and discovery teaching | <b>Direct</b> (formative and summative): In lab interactive questioning<br><b>Indirect:</b> student survey |
| 3.2  |   |                                   |   |  |
| ...  |   |                                   |   |  |



## C. Course Content

### Theoretical

| No    | List of Topics  | Contact Hours |
|-------|---|---------------|
| 1.    | <b>Physics and measurements:</b> Standards of length, mass, and time, dimensional analysis and conversion of units.   | 3             |
| 2.    | <b>Vectors:</b> Coordinate systems, vector and scalar quantities, properties of vectors, components of a vector and unit vectors.   | 4.5           |
| 3.    | <b>Motion in one and two dimensions:</b> Position, velocity, and speed, instantaneous velocity and speed, particle under constant velocity, acceleration, particle under constant acceleration and freely falling objects.  | 6             |
| 4.    | <b>The laws of motion:</b> Newton's 1 <sup>st</sup> law and inertial frames, Newton's 2 <sup>nd</sup> law, Newton's 3 <sup>rd</sup> law.  | 3             |
| 5.    | <b>Rotation of a rigid object:</b> Angular position, velocity, and acceleration, rigid object under constant angular acceleration.  | 3             |
| 6.    | <b>Elasticity and fluid mechanics:</b> Elastic properties of solids, pressure, variation of pressure with depth, pressure measurements, Buoyant forces and Archimedes's principle, fluid dynamics, Bernoulli's Equation, surface tension, capillary action, and viscous fluid flow. | 6             |
| 7.    | <b>Oscillations and mechanical waves:</b> Particles in simple harmonic motion, the pendulum, speed of sound waves, intensity of periodic sound waves.   | 4.5           |
| 8.    | <b>Thermodynamics:</b> Temperature and the zeroth law of thermodynamics, thermometers and temperature scales, thermal expansion of solids and liquids, macroscopic description of an ideal gas, heat and internal energy, specific heat and calorimetry, latent heat.               | 6             |
| 9.    | <b>Electricity:</b> Properties of electric charges, Coulomb's law, electric potential and potential difference, electric current, resistance, resistance and temperature, electrical power.   | 6             |
| 10.   | <b>review</b>   | 3             |
| Total |   | 45            |

### Experimental

| No | List of Topics  | Contact Hours |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1  | Accurate measurements   | 2             |
| 2  | Determination of resultant force using force table.                   | 2             |
| 3  | Verification of Hooke's law of elasticity.                            | 2             |
| 4  | Determination of acceleration due to gravity using a simple pendulum. | 2             |
| 5  | Determination of the surface tension of liquids.                      | 2             |





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| 6  | Determination of the viscosity of liquids.                     | 2  |
| 7  | Determination of the velocity of sound in air.                 | 2  |
| 8  | Determination Of the specific heat of a solid.                 | 2  |
| 9  | Determination Of the thermal expansion coefficient of a solid. | 2  |
| 10 | Determination of resistivity by Ohm's law.                     | 2  |
| 11 | Determination of unknown resistance using the meter bridge.    | 2  |
| 12 | Review& Exam   | 8  |
|    | Total  | 30 |

## D. Students Assessment Activities

| No | Assessment Activities * | Assessment timing (in week no) | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Homework                | 2                              | 2.5                                  |
| 2. | Written test            | 3                              | 2.5                                  |
| 3. | Homework                | 5                              | 2.5                                  |
| 4. | First mid-term exam     | 6                              | 10                                   |
| 5. | Homework                | 8                              | 2.5                                  |
| 6. | Second mid-term exam    | 12                             | 10                                   |
| 7. | Final practical exam    | 15                             | 20                                   |
| 8. | Final exam              | 16                             | 50                                   |
|    | <b>Total</b>            |                                | 100                                  |

\*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

## E. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. References and Learning Resources

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Essential References</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physics for Scientists&amp; Engineers with Modern Physics; Raymond A. Serway and John W. Jewett, Jr.; Brooks/Cole CENGAGE Learning, 9<sup>th</sup> edition, 2014.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Supportive References</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College Physics; Raymond A. Serway, Charis Vuille, Jerry S. Faughn, Brooks/Cole CENGAGE Learning, 8<sup>th</sup> edition, 2009.</li> <li>Fundamentals of Physics; Halliday, Resnik and Walker, John Wiley and Sons Inc., 2007.</li> </ul> |





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| Electronic Materials     |  |
| Other Learning Materials |  |

## 2. Required Facilities and equipment

| Items   | Resources                   |
|---|-----------------------------|
| <b>facilities</b><br>(Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.) | Classrooms and laboratories |
| <b>Technology equipment</b><br>(projector, smart board, software)                         | Smart board and projector   |
| <b>Other equipment</b><br>(depending on the nature of the specialty)                      | None                        |

## F. Assessment of Course Quality

| Assessment Areas/Issues                     | Assessor                               | Assessment Methods                        |
|---|--|---|
| Effectiveness of teaching                   | Students, Peer, and program leader     | Indirect (CES) - Indirect peer evaluation |
| Effectiveness of Students assessment        | Students, Program assessment committee | Direct/ Indirect                          |
| Quality of learning resources               | Students, Faculty members              | Indirect                                  |
| The extent to which CLOs have been achieved | Instructor                             | Direct/Indirect                           |
| Other                                       |  |   |

**Assessors** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## G. Specification Approval

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| COUNCIL /COMMITTEE | Department Council |
| REFERENCE NO.      | Psci2415           |
| DATE               | 1/10/2024          |

