



Course Specification

(Postgraduate Programs)

Course Title:	Atomic and Molecular Physics
Course Code:	PHYS620
Program:	Master of Science in Physics
Department:	Physical Sciences
College:	Science
Institution:	Jazan University
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A. General information about the course:

1. Course Identification:

1. Credit hours: (3)

2. Course type

A. ☐ University ☐ College ☒ Department ☐ Track

B. ☐ Required ☒ Elective

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (Level 2 or 3/Year 1 or 2)

4. Course general Description:

This course is designed to provide full understanding of macroscopic properties of matter based on its microscopic composition of the constituent atoms. The course includes: The hydrogen like atoms, atoms with more than one electron, emission and absorption of electromagnetic radiation by atoms, and modern developments in atomic and molecular Physics.

5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any): Non

6. co-requirements for this course (if any): Non

7. Course Main Objective(s):

The main objectives of this course are focused on the following:

- Review the hydrogen atom and atoms with more than one electron system.
- Provide the basics of emission and absorption of radiation by atoms.
- Provide the basics of emission and absorption of radiation by atoms.
- Explain electronic states and spectra of polyatomic molecules.
- Explore different experimental techniques in atomic and molecular physics.
- Discuss a brief account on modern developments in atomic and molecular physics.



2. Teaching Mode: (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	45	100%
2	E-learning		
3	Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditional classroom E-learning 		
4	Distance learning		

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

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

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: Upon completing the course students will be able to			
1.1	State Concepts, criteria's and theories	PLO1.1	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration –	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams





Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
			Problem based learning	Indirect: student survey
1.2	Define basic principles – fundamental laws in the course	PLO1.1	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey
1.3	Discuss physics Phenomena and their applications in the course	PLO1.2	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brain storming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey
2.0	Skills: Upon completing the course students will be able to			
2.1	Solve problems related to the course	PLO2.1	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey





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2.2	Derive relationships between various physics parameters – dependence of parameters	PLO2.1	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey
2.3	Develop competencies in communication, critical thinking and reporting during the course work.	PLO2.2	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey
3.0	Values, autonomy, and responsibility: Upon completing the course students will be able to			
3.1	Adopt some practices of self and long-life learning in the field of Atomic and Molecular Physics and its important applications through some essays and case studies	PLO3.2	Lectures, blackboard and visualization, brainstorming, group and interactive discussion, Interactive illustration – Problem based learning	Direct (formative and summative): In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey





C. Course Content:

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1.	Review of hydrogen atom	4.5
2.	Atoms with more than one electron: Helium atom, principle of the electron shell for larger atoms, alkali atoms, excited atomic states, exotic atoms, emission and absorption of radiation by atoms.	10.5
3.	Diatomic molecules: H ₂ Molecule, Electronic states, Molecular binding, Rotation and vibration states	10.5
4.	Polyatomic molecules: Electronic states, rotation and vibrations, spectra, Clusters and chemical reactions, Molecular dynamics and wave packets.	10.5
5.	Experimental techniques in atomic and molecular physics: Microwave spectroscopy, Infrared spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy, Spectroscopy with synchrotron radiation, Electron spectroscopy, Modern developments in atomic and molecular physics.	9
Total		45

D. Students Assessment Activities:

No	Assessment Activities *	Assessment timing (in week no)	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1.	First mid-term exam	6	15
2.	Activities (home-works, tests, class activities)	Over the semester	20
3.	Second mid-term exam	12	15
4.	Final Exam	16	50

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

E. Learning Resources and Facilities:

1. References and Learning Resources:

Essential References	Wolfgang Demtröder, Atoms, Molecules and Photons, 2 nd edition, (Springer, 2010).
Supportive References	1- H. Haken and H.C. Wolf, The Physics of Atoms and Quanta, (Springer, 2005). 2- Bransden and Joachain, Physics of Atoms and Molecules, (Longman Scientific and Technical 1990).





Electronic Materials	
Other Learning Materials	

2. Educational and Research Facilities and Equipment Required:

Items	Resources
facilities (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.)	Class room- if possible room for interactive discussion (round table)
Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software)	Data show- smart board
Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty)	

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
Extend of achievement of course learning outcomes	Instructor	Direct/Indirect
Other		

Assessor (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

G. Specification Approval Data:

COUNCIL /COMMITTEE	Department Council
REFERENCE NO.	Psci2415
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