



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: In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey



Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
			Problem based learning	
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: 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 : In class interactive questioning, quizzes, written exams Indirect: student survey





Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
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 : 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 : 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	Demonstration-guided discussion-orientation sessions	End of class assessment Indirect 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.	Assignments, and Classroom Activities	3,5,7,13	20
2.	Mid-term exams	6,12	30
3.	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. Hakenand 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
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