

PHYSICS MAJOR

Four Year Plan for students starting in odd years

This is a suggested program guide. It is not to be interpreted as a contract. Changes may occur. Please see your program advisor before you register for courses.

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YEAR	FALL	SPRING
First	BENV100 Becoming a Scholar 3	Writing Well Competency 3
Year	CEM 121 General Inorganic Chemistry 1*** 5	Speaking and Listening Competency 3
	CPS 108 Computer Programming 3	CEM 122 General Inorganic Chemistry 2*** 5
	MAT 135 Calculus 1 5	MAT 136 Calculus 2 5
	Total 16	Total 16
Second	Living Well Competency 2-3	Creative Expression Competency 3
Year	Reading the Bible Competency 3	Exploring the Past Competency 3
	BENV200 Learning in Community 5	Understanding Self & Society Competency 3
	PHY 211 Physics for Science/Engineering 1*** 5	PHY 212 Physics for Science/ Engineering 2*** 5
	Total 15-16	Total 14
Third	Electives 12	Electives 7
Year	PHY 360 Linear Electronics* 4	BENV300 Cross-cultural Experience 3
	(PHY 365 Electricity and Magnetism** 3)	PHY 202 Astronomy* 4
	Total 16	Total 14
Fourth	Religious Understanding Competency 3	Electives 7
Year	Elective 9	BENV400 Enduring Values Capstone 2
	(PHY 375 Analytical Mechanics** 3)	PHY 327 Thermal/Modern/Nuclear/Quantum 2* 5
	PHY 326 Thermal/Modern/Nuclear/Quantum 1* 5	(PHY 370 Quantum Mechanics** 3)
	Total 17	(PHY 390 Independent Study** 1-3)
		Total 14

124 total hours to complete graduation requirements (this includes 2 hours of arts and lecture credit) **Boldface** print denotes major course requirement

() Electives recommended for students interested in graduate school or engineering programs.

The following courses are strongly recommended as electives

CPS 320 Numerical Analysis* (3)
MAT 225 Multivariate Calculus (3)
MAT 230 Linear Algebra (3)
MAT 350 Differential Equations and Modeling* (3)

Note: The Scientific Inquiry and Critical Analysis competencies are met in the major.

^{*}Alternate year courses

^{**}Courses taught as Directed Study or Independent Study. These count as electives.

^{***}Students in the physics calculus track can enroll in physics their first year and chemistry their second year (with approval from their PHY 211 course instructor).