

Physics, AS

School of Math, Science and Engineering

The Physics AS is designed to prepare students for a rigorous four-year Physics program. This program focuses on the study of principles of physics, problem solving, critical thinking, laboratory skills and technical communication. It is designed primarily for transfer to a Pennsylvania Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee (TAOC) four-year college or university.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of fundamental physics concepts and principles.
- Apply problem solving, critical thinking and mathematics skills to physics problems.
- Work effectively with units and significant digits.
- Carry out physics experiments as well as accurately record and analyze results of such experiments in writing.
- Communicate technical details effectively with others.
- Work independently as well as in team environments.

| Sugg. Term | Seq # | Course ID | Course Title | Cr. | Prereq/Coreq(Co) | Options Available |
|------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-----|--|--------------------|
| 1st Fall | 1 | PDV 171 | Career Pathway Exploration | 3 | | |
| | 2 | PHY 255 | Engineering Physics I | 5 | PHY 110 or HS Physics & Corequisite MTH 172 | |
| | 3 | CHM 150 | General Chemistry I Lecture | 3 | CHM 107 or HS Chemistry & MTH 052 or MTH 052A, or Placement | |
| | 4 | CHM 151 | General Chemistry I Lab | 1 | CHM 150 (Co) | |
| | 5 | MTH 172 | Analytical Geometry and Calculus I | 4 | MTH 109 or MTH 157 & MTH 167 or MTH 170 or Placement | |
| 1st Spring | 6 | ENG 161 | College Writing | 3 | ENG 085 or Placement | |
| | 7 | MTH 173 | Analytical Geometry and Calculus II | 4 | MTH 172 | |
| | 8 | PHY 256 | Engineering Physics II | 5 | PHY 255 | |
| | 9 | CHM 160 | General Chemistry II Lecture | 3 | CHM 150 | |
| | 10 | CHM 161 | General Chemistry II Lab | 1 | CHM 160 (Co) | |
| 2nd Fall | 11 | Elective | Humanities Elective | 3 | | Page 25 Column II |
| | 12 | PHY 259 | Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics | 3 | PHY 255 | |
| | 13 | SPC 155 | Effective Speech | 3 | | |
| | 14 | MTH 271 | Analytical Geometry and Calculus III | 4 | MTH 173 | |
| 2nd Spring | 15 | Elective | Social Science Elective | 3 | | Page 25 Column III |
| | 16 | PHY 258 | Modern Physics | 3 | PHY 256 | |
| | 17 | STM 296 | STEM Seminar | 1 | 9 credits of Natural Science and/or Math with at least one of these courses at the 200-level | |
| | 18 | MTH 272 | Differential Equations | 3 | MTH 271 | |
| | 19 | Elective | Social Science Elective | 3 | | Page 25 Column III |
| | 20 | Elective | Humanities Elective | 3 | | Page 25 Column II |

Total Program Credits

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