

Rules of the Road

Procedures and My Rules of the Road

Class Meetings

1. Lectures on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in ESLC 130, unless it is a holiday or you are taking a class exam, which will also be in this room.
2. Recitations are only on Thursdays.
3. To interact with your Instructor, use the following procedures:
 - a. Schedule a meeting with him after the lectures
 - b. Send him an email to schedule a meeting
 - c. Send him an email describing your question /problem
 - d. Stick notes to his office door specifically stating your name (or class ID), how he can reach you, and the nature of your problem.
 - e. Go to his office (SER 250A)

Rules

The following are applied to all students uniformly; exceptions to this are only processed via the Physics department head/college administrator.

1. Homework is mandatory and must be submitted electronically via Mastering Physics.
2. Homework can earn 100% (or more) credit if completed before 1:00 AM on the Monday, or specified day, after it is assigned. Late homework receives lesser credit. Absolutely no written homework is accepted. The IT support for this Web homework is maintained by the publisher. Our experience using this system since Fall 2004 is that the system was only down unexpectedly for about 2 hours on one Sunday night.
3. Exams 2, and 3 will cover only the material since the prior exam. The final exam is comprehensive, it covers all the material taught during the semester in PHYS 2220. No make-up exams are offered. An absence due to a USU defined acceptable circumstance will be honored. The instructor and TA's will work with the student to find a suitable solution. The student must inform the instructor prior to the exam date. Only in the case of unexpected injury will an exception to "prior reporting" be accepted.
4. There are three midterm exams. Your lowest scored mid-term will be excluded from your final grade calculation.
5. Equation sheets are provided. Equation sheets **must be unmarked** for use during exams.

Grade Determination

In fairness to all students in the class, the above rules are imposed uniformly on all students. Grading is based on the following final grade breakdown.

PHYSICS 2220	
HOMEWORK	30
EXAM A	20
EXAM B	20
FINAL EXAM (COMPREHENSIVE)	30

TOTAL	100
Note: your lowest scored midterm exam has been dropped	

A pre-test and post-test are offered via Canvas. Each is worth a bonus of 1% added to your final percentage grade. Your performance on these exams is anonymous and is used to provide a PHYS 2220 outcome assessment. Each exam is available for one week. You will be notified when each is available on Canvas.

Getting Help with PHYS 2220

1. The Physics department has a problem-solving center called the Learning Center (SER room 219). Please get used to using this. Please report to the Physics office or the instructor (Jan Sojka via e-mail) if the Learning Center instructor is not present. They are paid to be there.
2. The next level of attack is to get to know your Recitation Teaching Assistant. He or She is usually approachable to help on class questions. They are integrally involved in setting and grading exams.
3. Contact Jan Sojka as outlined in the earlier section (Class Meetings), item 3.
4. Do not wait until the last minute, i.e., asking about homework on Sunday night at 11 p.m. or the evening before an exam, etc.; no help is offered at such times.

Students with Disabilities

Students with ADA-documented physical, sensory, emotional or medical impairments may be eligible for reasonable accommodations. Veterans may also be eligible for services. All accommodations are coordinated through the Disability Resource Center (DRC) in Room 101 of the University Inn, (435) 797-2444. Please contact the DRC as early in the semester as possible. Alternate format materials (Braille, large print, digital, or audio) are available with advance notice.