

COURSE INFORMATION					
Course Title	Code	Semester	L+P Hour	Credits	ECTS
MODERN THEORETICAL PHYSICS	PHYS 654	4	4 + 0	4	10

<b>Prerequisites</b>	-
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<b>Language of Instruction</b>	English
<b>Course Level</b>	Graduate
<b>Course Type</b>	Compulsory
<b>Course Coordinator</b>	Prof. Dr. Avadis Hacinliyan
<b>Instructors</b>	Prof. Dr. Avadis Hacinliyan
<b>Assistants</b>	
<b>Goals</b>	Special and General Relativity, Continuous Media, Fluids, potential Theory, Relation between classical and quantum mechanics, Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics, Introduction to classical and quantum chaos theory. Emphasizes the mathematical foundations and computational techniques used in these theories.
<b>Content</b>	Potential Theory. Mechanics of continuous media and fluids. Review of special relativity, tensor analysis and introductory general relativity. Einstein equations. Schwarzschild solution. Post Newton approximation. The Eikonal equation, geometrical and physical optics. Relation between classical and quantum mechanics. Classical Thermodynamics and constitutive relations. Micro canonical, canonical and grand canonical distributions. Quantum statistics. Special topics in statistical mechanics. (Bose-Einstein condensation. Fermi energy. Debye theory and Ising model). Simple systems with chaotic behavior. Small denominators and classical perturbation theory. Fractals. Stability and Bifurcation Theory.

Learning Outcomes	Teaching Methods	Assessment Methods
1) Introduce the physical basis of classical and quantum mechanics.	1,2,3	A,B,C
2) Lay the mathematical and mechanical foundation for problems that the student will encounter in graduate studies, particularly in mechanics.	1,2,3	A,B,C
3) Skill to apply knowledge in physics and mathematics.	1,2,3	A,B

4) Teach the basic principles of thermodynamics and statistical physics.	1,2,3	A,B
5) Introduce exact and approximate computation methods	1,2,3	A,B,C
6) Introduce nonlinear systems and chaos theory.	1,2,3	A,B,C
7) Understand classical theories of continuous media and their physical and technological applications.	1,2,3	A,B,C

<b>Teaching Methods:</b>	1: Lecture, 2: Problem Sets, 3: Presentations
<b>Assessment Methods:</b>	A: Examination, B: Homework C: Presentation

<b>COURSE CONTENT</b>		
<b>Week</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Study Materials</b>
1	Physics and Geometry. Classical physics in Minkowsky Space. Tensor analysis.	Modern Physics, Math Methods.
2	Canonical transformations and the Hamilton Jacobi Equation. Correspondance Principle. Hamilton Jacobi and Schroedinger Equations.	Math. Meth. in Physics
3	Review of electromagnetic Theory. Energy Momentum four vector. Gauge invariance in Maxwell's Equations. Yang Mills Theory. integrals, Noether's theorem.	Electromagnetic Theory and quantum mechanics.
4	Geometrical and Physical Optics, The eikonal equation in electromagnetic theory and geometrical optics, the corresponding relation between Hamilton Jacobi Equation and Quantum Theory.	Electromagnetic Theory and quantum mechanics
5	General Relativity, Einstein Equation and Schwarzschild solution.	Math. Meth. Phys.
6	Comparison of Newtonian Mechanics and Einstein Theory. Post Newtonian approximation.	Math. Meth. Phys
7	Midterm Examination	
8	Kinetic Theory, Statistical Mechanics and Distributions.	Statistical Mechanics.
9	Quantum Statistics and its applications.	Modern Physics. Statistical Mechanics.
10	Classical mechanics of continuous media. Elasticity.	Math. Meth. Phys
11	Introductory Fluid Mechanics	Math. Meth. Phys
12	Measures of Entropy Information and Chaos. Fractals and Lyapunov Exponents.	Mechanics
13	Hamiltonian Chaos, The Toda and Henon Heiles Problem.	Math. Meth. Phys



<b>IN-TERM STUDIES</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE</b>
Mid-terms	2	80
Quizzes	4	10
Assignment	8	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTION OF FINAL EXAMINATION TO OVERALL GRADE</b>		40
<b>CONTRIBUTION OF IN-TERM STUDIES TO OVERALL GRADE</b>		60
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

<b>COURSE CATEGORY</b>	Expertise/Field Courses
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<b>COURSE'S CONTRIBUTION TO PROGRAM</b>						
No	Program Learning Outcomes	Contribution				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	Gets a sound base for the main fields of physics such as Classical Mechanics, Quantum Mechanics and Electromagnetism,					X
2	Gets the ability of interpreting, analysing, forming a synthesis and relationships between the main fields of physics and/or other sciences,					X
3	Obtains the education required for the measurements in scientific and technological areas and the contribution of physics in the industrial applications and on the macroscopic scale such as the society,				X	
4	Follows the up-to-date scientific developments, makes the analysis/synthesis for the new ideas and evaluates them,				X	
5	Uses the academic sources, the computer technology and the related devices,		X			
6	Joins the working and research groups, also the scientific meetings, communicates well at the national and international level,		X			
7	Gets the ability of creative and critical thinking, problem solving, researching, producing a new and original work, improving himself/herself in his/her own fields of interest,					X
8	Gains the concepts of ethics and responsibility. Undertakes the responsibility for the solutions to the problems related with his/her field as required for having an intellectual identity.		X			

<b>ECTS ALLOCATED BASED ON STUDENT WORKLOAD BY THE COURSE DESCRIPTION</b>			
Activities	Quantity	Duration (Hour)	Total Workload (Hour)

Course Duration (Including the exam week: 16x Total course hours)	16	4	64
Hours for off-the-classroom study (Pre-study, practice)	16	5	80
Mid-terms	2	10	20
Quizzes	4	1	4
Homework	8	3	24
Problem Hour and Presentation (Preparation included)	5	8	40
Final examination (Reparation Exam included)	2	10	20
<b>Total Work Load</b>			252
<b>Total Work Load / 25 (h)</b>			10
<b>ECTS Credit of the Course</b>			10