



## SYLLABUS

### *Physics 152 – College Physics II*

SEMESTER: Spring 2018 (January 8 – May 11, 2018)

COURSE TIME: MWF 9:30 – 10:20 am  
SECTION/CRN: Section 1/CRN 81426

CREDIT: 3 semester hours  
LOCATION: PSB 217

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Mark H. Slovak  
TELEPHONE: (808) 956-2959  
OFFICE HOURS: MWF 8 – 9:00 am; TuTh 3 – 4:00 pm or by appointment.

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TEXTBOOK(S): *College Physics*, OpenStax, 2013. Either printed text or etext (PDF) (in Dropbox) is acceptable. **(Required)**



SUPPLIES: A (graphing) scientific calculator, capable of scientific notation, logarithmic, exponential and trigonometric functions (including inverse functions). The app Wabbitemu (available on both Apple and Android phones is an inexpensive alternative). **(Required)**



COURSE DESCRIPTION: Physics 152 is the second semester of a two-semester sequence in college level physics. Starting with a review of vector algebra, it covers electricity and magnetism, basic electrical circuits (DC and AC), geometric optics, light and color, atomic physics, quantum physics, radioactivity and high energy/particle physics (cosmology). Time permitting; an introduction to the theory of Special Relativity is also covered.

PREREQUISITE: Math 140 (Trigonometry/Analytic Geometry) or Math 215 (Applied Calculus I) or higher. Knowledge of customary or English units is expected and will be expanded with metric or *Systeme Internationale* (SI) units.

LAB: Students may enroll in PHYS 152L (*College Physics Laboratory II*). It is highly recommended that students enroll in the lab concurrently with the lecture.

CLASS POLICIES: The University does not have a mandatory attendance policy nor is roll taken each class period. Occasional unannounced quizzes are given and serve as proof of attendance. Each student is responsible for all materials presented, including lecture notes and in-class demonstrations. If a class is missed for a valid reason (family

emergency, medical, university-related travel), it is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor (using UH Manoa e-mail [mslovak@hawaii.edu](mailto:mslovak@hawaii.edu)) to obtain any assignments or additional information. My faculty mailbox is in the department office (Watanabe 416) and ALL items should be placed in it ONLY (do not slip papers under my door as they may be discarded).

**STUDENT CONDUCT:** It is also the student's responsibility to be familiar with the University *Code of Conduct* outlining the University's policy regarding academic dishonesty and other prohibited behaviors. Important excerpts are listed below:

University of Hawaii: **Conduct – Rules and Regulations**

Engaging in any of these behaviors subjects a student to the disciplinary process and sanctions on each campus.

1. Acts of dishonesty, including but not limited to the following:
  - a. *Cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty.*

The term "cheating" includes, but is not limited to: (1) use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations; (2) use of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out other assignments; (3) the acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the UH faculty, staff or student (4) engaging in any behavior specifically prohibited by a faculty member in the course syllabus or class discussion.
2. Disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings, other UH activities. Creating noise or other disturbances on campus sufficient to disrupt the normal functioning of campus activities including classroom instruction.
3. Threatening or endangering the health or safety of any person including but not limited to, physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, intimidation, harassment, coercion, or stalking.
4. Sexual advances, requests for sexual favors or other behavior of a sexual nature that is unwelcome and sufficiently severe or pervasive that it interferes with a person's academic or professional performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment.

**CIVILITY:** Students are expected to be on-time for class, courteous about not talking and silencing phones during lecture and not banging desktops near the end of lecture. *Always* put your class (PHYS152) in the subject header of email so I can identify which class you are in.

**DROPBOX:** Students enrolled in Physics 152 will receive an invitation to join Dropbox to access folders containing class materials, including lectures, practice quizzes and exams.

**HOMEWORK:** In addition to weekly chapter reading assignments, **seven (7) homework assignments** in the *Expert TA* website will be assigned. Homework is to be completed by the due date listed with each assignment. **(10% of course grade).**

QUIZZES: Announced quizzes will usually be given during a Friday lecture for a total of **four (4) quizzes**. Occasional *unannounced quizzes* will also be given for *attendance* purposes. Solutions to quizzes will be posted in Dropbox/Laulima. See Class Schedule for quiz dates. **(20% of course grade)**.

EXAMS: **Three (3) in class exams** are scheduled during the semester. Each exam covers the material since the previous exam and includes extra credit questions. Solutions to exams will be posted in Dropbox/Laulima. See Class Schedule for exam dates. **(54% of course grade)**.

FINAL EXAM: A **comprehensive 2 hour final exam** is given on Monday, May 7, 2018 from 9:45 – 11:45 am in the regularly scheduled classroom (PSB 217). **(16% of course grade)**.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLOs): After successfully completing Physics 152, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate significant physics problems solving and calculator skills;
- Perform unit conversions, basic dimensional analysis and vector algebra;
- Explain electric and magnetic force laws and associated fields, and applications;
- Calculate basic properties of geometric optical systems and perform ray tracings;
- Demonstrate an understanding of atomic physics, including the quantum model of the atom, properties of light, radioactivity and basic particle physics;
- Explain the principles of Special Relativity, including the effects of time dilation and length contraction.

LEARNING ASSISTANTs (LAs): We now have Learning Assistants (LAs) to assist with large undergraduate classes. LAs are experienced science/engineering UG students who have completed either the Physics 151-152 or Physics 170-272 sequence and are chosen for their excellent overall performance. They help setup demonstrations, assist with quizzes and exams, give mini-lectures, tutor in Watanabe 421 and participate in evening review sessions. They will (often) attend lecture and will be introduced the first week of class.

PROVISIONAL GRADING: The preliminary grading scale used to assign the final grade is given below and is subject to minor revision (i.e. “curving”) at the discretion of the instructor based on class performance.

A: 84 - 100%    B: 68 - 83%    C: 52 - 67%    D: 38 - 51%    F: < 38%

MAKEUP: Students are strongly encouraged NOT to miss any quizzes or exams during the semester, unless a valid reason such as medical emergency arises or excused university travel. *All makeup quizzes or exams will be scheduled during the instructor's office hours or by appointment only and must be made up within one (1) week of quiz/exam date.*

**SPECIAL SERVICES:** Students with special needs and accommodations are requested to contact the UH Manoa KOKUA program for accommodation regarding extended time and assistance for quizzes and exams. Go to <http://www.hawaii.edu/kokua/> for more information.

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:** For additional help outside of office hours and forming student study groups, students may receive additional assistance at:

- The Physics Learning Center in Watanabe 421. Open whenever Watanabe Hall is open (not on weekends). Physics Lab TAs schedule two weekly office hours in this room for tutoring. Couches, chalkboards, and many reference texts are available. Check schedule posted in Watanabe 421
- The Natural Science Learning Emporium in Bilger Addition 209, open weekdays for all students taking lower division math and science classes. Schedule for tutors for physics is posted on BILA 209 and can be found at <http://www.hawaii.edu/natsci/physics.php>.
- The Learning Assistance Center in Sinclair Library offers free, one-on-one tutoring for PHYS 152, as well as for other math and science classes. Go to <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/undergrad/learning/tutoring> for more information.

There are many physics websites available, with video lectures, demonstrations, explanations and simulations. Some are free to access and others require a fee. One free website that is recommended is *The Physics Classroom* at:

<http://www.physicsclassroom.com/>

**HOMEWORK WEBSITE *Expert TA*:** Students must enroll in the *ExpertTA* website which is used for homework. Problems are assigned from chapters in *College Physics* textbook and a student solution manual is posted in Dropbox. To enroll in *ExpertTA* follow the instructions at the registration link below:

*Expert TA* Student Registration Spring 2018

Student Registration - PHYS 152 (Spring 2018) College Physics II w/ Dr. Slovak

Cost: \$32.50

Registration Link: <http://goeta.link/USC13HI-7F0764-1LU>

Student Class Code: USC13HI-7F0764-1LU



Students must be on the UH roster as registered in Physics 152 before they can enroll in *Expert TA*. All registered students must enroll by *the end of the first week* of classes.