

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA
PHYS 170, General Physics I, Fall 2017

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Office Hours: Wed 11:30-12:30
- Location, Time:* WAT 420, 9:30-10:20 MTW, and Recitations on Fridays.
- Textbook:* University Physics Vol. 1, OpenStax: <https://openstax.org/details/university-physics>, free pdf download
- Block System:* We will have 2-week blocks, covering 2 to 3 chapters per block, with a quiz and a test after each block.
- Homework:* Homework assignments will be given usually on a Wednesday and should be returned at the beginning of the class on Wednesday the following week. The returned homework will be graded. If returned too late, the assignments will not be graded.
- Tests:* Tests will be given every second week, usually on a Monday. The tests begin at 9:30 straight; there is no handout of the sheets after 9:35. Close book, but equations, physical constants and conversion factors are given. Pocket calculators are allowed, but no PCs, ipods, iphones, or tablets.
Test Dates: T1 (We Aug 30), T2 (Mo Sept 18), T3 (Mo Oct 2), T4 (Mo Oct 16), T5 (Mo Oct 30), T6 (Mo Nov 13); Quizzes will be on Wednesdays at the end of a block.
- Final Exam:* Friday Dec 15, 9:45-11:45, WAT 420
- Missing Exams:* There will be no make-up tests. However, the test with the lowest score will be dropped. We will have special arrangements for students who are UH athletes, are ill, or have other time constraints.
- Class Attendance:* We suggest attending the lectures. Students who regularly come to class have a much better chance to receive good grades.
- Electronic Devices:* This is an electronics-free class. No laptops, ipods, ipads, cell phones or any other electronic devices are allowed in class.
- Class Protocol:* The lecture hall should be a place for learning while respecting each other. Behavior, which distracts others will not be tolerated. There will be no talking other than in public dialogue; cell phones should be switched off; no eating, no skateboarding, no pets, no reading or sleeping; and no frequent leaving and returning to the classroom. Please pay attention and participate (i.e., leave newspaper reading, listening to music, etc. for elsewhere). If you don't come to class to learn physics, don't come. The professor may ask you to leave the class if you don't comply.
- Notes:* Written note taking is part of this class; will occasionally be checked.
- Being Late:* If you are more than 5 minutes late for the class or need to leave earlier, you should skip this class.
- Questions:* Please keep your questions till the end of the lecture.
- Grading:*
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| Homework: | 15% |
| Quizzes: | 10% |
| Tests: | 50% |
| Recitations: | 10% |
| Final Exam: | 15% |
- Grade Scale:* A (85-100%), B (70-85%), C (55-70%), D (40-55%), F (<40%)
- Class I.D.:* Every student is given a class identification number. Please place it on the examination and homework sheets.
- Last day of class:* Wednesday Dec 6, 2017

The Syllabus may be changed by the professor at any time (will be announced in class).