

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

First course in physics 114 (PHY 114)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	16.00
Programmes	BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
	BSc Computer Science
	BSc Chemistry
	BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology
	BSc Geography
	BSc Geology
	BSc Meteorology
	BSc Physics
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
	Faculty of Education
Prerequisites	Refer to Regulation 1.2: A candidate must have passed Mathematics and Physical Science with at least 60% in the Grade 12 examination
Contact time	4 lectures per week, 1 discussion class per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Physics

Module content

Period of presentation Semester 1

SI-units. Significant figures. Waves: intensity, superposition, interference, standing waves, resonance, beats, Doppler. Geometrical optics: Reflection, refraction, mirrors, thin lenses, instruments. Physical optics: Young-interference, coherence, diffraction, polarisation. Hydrostatics and dynamics: density, pressure, Archimedes' principle, continuity, Bernoulli. Heat: temperature, specific heat, expansion, heat transfer. Vectors. Kinematics of a point: Relative, projectile, and circular motion. Dynamics: Newton's laws, friction. Work: point masses, gasses (ideal gas law), gravitation, spring, power. Kinetic energy: Conservative forces, gravitation, spring. Conservation of energy. Conservation of momentum. Impulse and collisions. System of particles: Centre of mass, Newton's laws. Rotation: torque, conservation of angular momentum, equilibrium, centre of gravity.

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