PHYS 2421 INTRODUCTORY ELECTROMAGNETISM
Fall 2020, CRN 10947, TR 3:00 – 4:20 PM, HSSN 217

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OFFICE HOURS: In my office (one person at a time) or via Blackboard Collaborate Ultra.
- Without appointment: TR 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- With appointment: MW 1:00 - 4:00

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Introductory Electromagnetism is the second part of a sequence of calculus-based introductory physics courses whose main objectives are to provide students with a rigorous description of electricity and magnetism. It covers charges, electric forces, electric fields and potential, current and magnetism, induction, time varying fields and electromagnetic waves, and improves student's problem-solving abilities, and basic laboratory experiments on principles of electricity and magnetism including experimental design, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports.

Class will be composed of two 1.5-hour weekly lectures with the instructor, a 1-hour weekly workshop/seminar, and a 2-hour weekly laboratory.

Prerequisite: PHYS 2420 and MATH 1312. MATH 1312 may be taken concurrently with PHYS 2421. The course counts as 4 credit hours.

LEARNING OUTCOMES
At the end of this course, students will be able to understand
- Electric charges, electric forces, Coulomb's law, electric fields
- Electric potential energy, electric potential, Gauss' law,
- Currents, circuits, resistance, resistivity, capacitors, batteries,
- Magnetic fields, sources of magnetic fields, Biot-Savart Law, Ampere’s law,
- Induction, AC currents, inductors, RLC circuits, resonance, impedance
- Electromagnetic waves.
TEXTBOOK AND OTHER MATERIALS

- *Physics for Scientist and Engineers*, Knight, Field, 4rd Ed.
- *iClicker*. Register at [https://www.iclicker.com/](https://www.iclicker.com/) and sign up for PHYS 2421. Login into your Blackboard and click on the icon to launch a special instance of iClicker, then log in or create a new iClicker account if you don’t already have one. Signing into iClicker through this link will synchronize your iClicker account with your Blackboard account.
- Scientific calculator.

COURSE OVERVIEW

- Ch. 22: Electric charges and forces
- Ch. 23: Electric field
- Ch. 24: Gauss’ Law
- Ch. 25: Electric potential
- Ch. 26: Potential and field
- Ch. 27: Current and resistance
- Ch. 28: Fundamentals of circuits
- Ch. 29: Magnetic field
- Ch. 30: Electromagnetic induction
- Ch. 31: EM fields and waves
- Ch. 32: AC circuits

COURSE EVALUATION

- Weekly quizzes 55%  
  In-class iClicker questions 5%  
  Seminar/Workshop 5%  
  Final exam 20%  
  Laboratory 15%

**QUizzes**  Weekly quizzes based on the homework and topics covered in the lecture of the previous week will be given every Thursday in the last 20 minutes of class. The use of a formula sheet is allowed, the formula sheet will be provided ahead of time through Blackboard, and students are responsible for downloading it and printing it, please do not add any material to it.

There will be no makeup quizzes. Instead the lowest two test grades will be dropped. If you miss more than two quizzes and have proper justification (written evidence of medical urgencies, death in family, military duty, etc.) can arrange a re-test. Please do not request make up quizzes or send absence justifications unless you have missed more than two quizzes.

**Laboratory**: Attending the Laboratory is mandatory and the lab grade will count 15% of your total grade. You must approve the lab with a minimum of 70% in order to approve the class.

The lab will be a low-density hybrid. The grade will be distributed among the online activities (75%) and a single in-person session in small teams of students (25%). The online activities will start on 9/7, and the schedule for the in-person session will be announced at least one week in advance. For questions about the lab contact Karla Carmona (kcarmona@utep.edu).

For more information see an Introduction ([https://sway.office.com/K7jsJZO3GYKEbQfBQB?ref=Link](https://sway.office.com/K7jsJZO3GYKEbQfBQB?ref=Link)), the online activities calendar ([https://sway.office.com/PKMcPLLNO4mP5tl?ref=Link](https://sway.office.com/PKMcPLLNO4mP5tl?ref=Link)), and the Lab Syllabus ([https://sway.office.com/p3DbE45CJPM8sN9W?ref=Link](https://sway.office.com/p3DbE45CJPM8sN9W?ref=Link)).

**Homework**: Homework problems will be assigned but not collected nor graded, but solutions will be discussed in class, and posted on Blackboard: i) in the PPT lecture files, and ii) on the Yuja Video library (click on PHYS 2421 Video Problems).
**IN-CLASS CLICKER QUESTIONS.** We will be using iClicker polling to grade about 150 multiple-choice questions.

**WORKSHOP/SEMINAR:** Workshops will be online by Blackboard. The grade for the workshop is worth 5% of the semester grade, based on attendance (1%) and a weekly quiz (4%). The workshops scheduled for this class are:
- 12407 PHYS 2421 R 1:00 – 2:00 PM MNRS 300
- 11025 PHYS 2421 T 10:00 – 11:00 AM MAIN 205

**FINAL EXAM** is comprehensive covering chapters 22 - 32 of the textbook *Physics*. At present, arrangements are being made to have all of the students take the exam in person, expect more information about this later during the semester.

**CLASS PARTICIPATION**
This is a hybrid class with up to 21 students allowed in person in the classroom and the rest online.

- **The first class will be 100% online.**
- **IN-CLASS PARTICIPATION**
  - Please send a message to jorgelopez@utep.edu to request in-class participation.
  - If more than 21 students request to participate in person, a method to rotate students will be implemented to allow the attendance of all interested students.
  - If selected to be in-class but cannot attend, please notify instructor to allow other student to take you place; you will be placed at the end of the waiting queue.
  - Students must maintain 6 feet of distance while entering and exiting the classroom, and must use face covering at all times during class.

- **ONLINE PARTICIPATION**
  - We will use Blackboard Collaborate Ultra for online communication. See [https://help.blackboard.com/Collaborate.Ultra/Participant](https://help.blackboard.com/Collaborate.Ultra/Participant) for instructions.
  - Netiquette: please follow these guidelines while using online communication:
    - All communication should be polite. Mute your microphone unless you need to ask a question, and block your video unless you want to share an image.
    - Blackboard is not a public internet venue; all postings are private and confidential, and intended for classmates and professor only. Please do not paste class documents on publicly accessible website, blog, or other spaces.
    - Online sessions will be recorded, and can be reviewed later.
    - Your location will be monitored through the IP address from which you log in to Blackboard and iClicker. Please notify the instructor if you are not in El Paso, and be prepared to show evidence of location. Also avoid using a VPN or else justify its use.
  - Technology requirements
    - You will need a computer, laptop or mobile device, with a camera, microphone, access to Internet, Microsoft Office programs (Word and Powerpoint) and Adobe Acrobat Reader. This software can be accessed for free via UTEP’s [Microsoft Office 365](https://office.com).
    - If you encounter technical difficulties please contact the UTEP Help Desk.
WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN THE COURSE

- Pay attention to the weekly e-mail messages from the instructor.
- The lecture material to be used in class is available in Blackboard ahead of time, download it and study before class. If you print it you won't need to take notes during class!
- Participate in class, ask questions and answer the iClicker questions.
- Do not miss the Thursday quizzes. Old quizzes are available to study in Blackboard.
- Complete the homework early in the week, it will help you in the Thursday quizzes.
- Keep summaries of the material covered, this is helpful to study for the final exam.
- Form a study group with one or more peers, and study together.
- Get help from the Miner Learning Center, see below for instructions.

MINER LEARNING CENTER

The tutor for PHYS 2421 at the Miner Learning Center (https://www.utep.edu/mlc/) is Sergio Ramirez (saramirezmartinez@miners.utep.edu). All MLC tutoring will be done online via Zoom. Please contact Sergio by email to set up tutoring times, etc.

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

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<td>Excused absences and/or course drop policy</td>
<td>According to UTEP Curriculum and Classroom Policies, “When, in the judgment of the instructor, a student has been absent to such a degree as to impair his or her status relative to credit for the course, the instructor may drop the student from the class with a grade of “W” before the course drop deadline and with a grade of “F” after the course drop deadline.” See academic regulations in the UTEP Undergraduate Catalog for a list of excuse absences. Therefore, if I find that, due to non-performance in the course, you are at risk of failing, I will drop you from the course. I will provide 24 hours advance notice via email.</td>
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<td>Incomplete grade policy</td>
<td>Incomplete grades may be requested only in exceptional circumstances after you have completed at least half of the course requirements. Talk to me immediately if you believe an incomplete is warranted. If granted, we will establish a contract of work to be completed with deadlines.</td>
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<td>Accommodations policy</td>
<td>The University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations and auxiliary services to students, staff, faculty, job applicants, applicants for admissions, and other beneficiaries of University programs, services and activities with documented disabilities in order to provide them with equal opportunities to participate in programs, services, and activities in compliance with sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) of 2008. Reasonable accommodations will be made unless it is determined that doing so would cause undue hardship on the University. Students requesting an accommodation based on a disability must register with the UTEP Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS). Contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services at 915-747-5148, or email them at <a href="mailto:cass@utep.edu">cass@utep.edu</a>, or apply for accommodations online via the CASS portal.</td>
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| Covid-19 accommodations | Students are not permitted on campus when they have a positive COVID-19 test, exposure or symptoms. If you are not permitted on campus, you should contact me as soon as possible so we can arrange necessary and appropriate accommodations.

Students who are considered high risk according to CDC guidelines and/or those who live with individuals who are considered high risk may contact Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) to discuss temporary accommodations for on-campus courses and activities. |
| Covid-19 precautions | You must STAY AT HOME and REPORT if you (1) have been diagnosed with COVID-19, (2) are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, or (3) have had recent contact with a person who has received a positive coronavirus test. Reports should be made at screening.utep.edu. If you know of anyone who should report any of these three criteria, you should encourage them to report. If the individual cannot report, you can report on their behalf by sending an email to COVIDaction@utep.edu.

For each day that you attend campus—for any reason—you must complete the questions on the UTEP screening website (screening.utep.edu) prior to arriving on campus. The website will verify if you are permitted to come to campus. Under no circumstances should anyone come to class when feeling ill or exhibiting any of the known COVID-19 symptoms. If you are feeling unwell, please let me know as soon as possible, and alternative instruction will be provided. Students are advised to minimize the number of encounters with others to avoid infection.

Wear face coverings when in common areas of campus or when others are present. You must wear a face covering over your nose and mouth at all times in this class. If you choose not to wear a face covering, you may not enter the classroom. If you remove your face covering, you will be asked to put it on or leave the classroom. Students who refuse to wear a face covering and follow preventive COVID-19 guidelines will be dismissed from the class and will be subject to disciplinary action according to Section 1.2.3 Health and Safety and Section 1.2.2.5 Disruptions in the UTEP Handbook of Operating Procedures.

Please note that if COVID-19 conditions deteriorate in the City of El Paso, all course and lab activities may be transitioned to remote delivery. |
<p>| Attendance Policy | Attendance is not taken into account for the grade, but not attending the class will result in missing quizzes and iClicker questions. |
| Academic Integrity Policy | Any student who commits an act of academic dishonesty is subject to discipline. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, and any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts. Proven violations of the detailed regulations, as printed in the Handbook of Operating Procedures, and available on the homepage of the Dean of Students at <a href="http://www.utep.edu/dos">www.utep.edu/dos</a>, may result in sanctions ranging from disciplinary probation, to a failing grade on the work in question, to a failing grade in the course, to suspension or dismissal, among others. |
| Civility Statement | During class, please do not eat, sleep or read newspapers or any other material not related to class. Turn off cell phones, ipods, and any other devices which might disturb class. Use computers and tablets only for class purposes, and do not talk excessively (definition of “excessive” is up to the instructor) |</p>
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