

Physics (PHYJ) - Joint Courses

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PHYJ 5001 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5130)

Experimental Characterization Techniques in Materials Science, Physics, Chemistry, and Mineralogy

Survey of experimental techniques used in materials science, condensed matter physics, solid state chemistry, and mineralogy to characterize materials and solid substances. Diffraction. Spectroscopy. Microscopy and imaging. Other analytic techniques.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5003 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5342)

Computer Simulations in Physics

Advanced numerical methods to study large scale problems in the natural sciences; molecular dynamics, Langevin dynamics, Brownian dynamics methods. The use of different thermodynamic ensembles to compute experimentally relevant physical properties, and work with non-equilibrium situations. Methods to handle very large problems on parallel computers.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 3355 (PHY 3755), PHY 3370 (PHY 3770) and familiarity with FORTRAN, Pascal or C.

PHYJ 5004 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5340)

Computational Physics I

Deterministic numerical methods in physics. Interpolation methods. Numerical solutions of Newton's, Maxwell's and Schrödinger's equations. Molecular dynamics. Non-linear dynamics. Numerical solutions of partial differential equations in physics. Finite elements. This course cannot be combined for credit with PHY 4340 (PHY 4740).

PHYJ 5005 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5341)

Computational Physics II

Interpolation, regression and modeling. Random number generation. Monte Carlo methods. Simulations in thermostatics. Fractals, percolation, cellular automation.

Stochastic methods. This course cannot be combined for credit with PHY 4341 (PHY 4741).

PHYJ 5006 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5362)

Computational Methods in Material Sciences

Introduction to modern computational techniques used in material science research. Classical molecular dynamics, classical and quantum Monte Carlo methods, plane-wave based electronic band structure calculations, Carr-Parrinello quantum molecular dynamics. Applications to condensed matter systems: basic simulation techniques, force-field based methods, first-principles quantum mechanical methods.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5102 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5361)

Nonlinear Dynamics in the Natural Sciences

Differential and difference equations, Fourier series and data analysis, stability analysis, Poincaré maps, local bifurcations, routes to chaos and statistical properties of strange attractors. Applications of these concepts to specific problems in condensed matter physics, molecular physics, fluid mechanics, dissipative structures, and evolutionary systems.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5308 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5384)

Physics of Fiber Optic Systems

Physics of electromagnetic waves in fiber-optic systems. Laser modulation, chirp effects, noise. Amplitude, frequency, phase modulation. Optical dispersion (chromatic dispersion, polarization mode dispersion and polarization-dependent losses). Fibre losses and nonlinear effects. Optical detectors, receivers, signal to noise ratio, power penalties. Overall system design.

PHYJ 5322 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5322)

Biological Physics

Biological phenomena studied using techniques of physics. Key components of cells. Physical concepts relevant to cellular phenomena: Brownian dynamics, fluids, suspensions, entropy driven phenomena, chemical forces and self-assembly. Biological molecules. Enzymes. Molecular motors. Nerve impulses. Also offered, with different requirements, as PHY 4322.

Precludes additional credit for PHY 4322.

PHYJ 5330 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5330)

Fibre Optics Communications

Optical fibres: description, modes, losses. optical transmitters: light-emitting diodes, semiconducting lasers. Optical receivers: design, noise, sensitivity, degradation, performance. System design and performance. Optical amplifiers: dispersion management, pre-compensation schemes, post-compensation techniques, dispersion compensating fibres, optical filters, fibre Bragg gratings, soliton generation, long-haul lightwave systems, high-capacity systems.

Precludes additional credit for ELG 5103.

PHYJ 5331 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5331)

Fibre Optics Sensors

Fundamental properties of optical fibres. Light sources and detectors for optical fibre applications. Fibre optics sensors based on the Mach-Zehnder, Michelson and Fabry-Perot Interferometers, Bragg gratings. signal detection schemes. Distributed sensing and multiplexing. Applications for optical fibre sensors. Temperature and strain measurements.

PHYJ 5332 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5332)**Nonlinear Optics**

Nonlinear optical susceptibility; wave equation description of nonlinear optics processes: second harmonic generation, intensity dependent refractive index, sum- and frequency-generation, parametric amplification; quantum mechanical theory of nonlinear optics; Brillouin and Raman scattering; the electro-optic effect; nonlinear fibre optics and solitons.

PHYJ 5333 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5333)**Mode Locked Lasers**

Concept and realization of mode locking. Mode locked lasers including Q-switch. Ultrafast pulse generation and measurement. Soliton generation: dispersion and self-phase modulation. Applications to science and technology.

PHYJ 5401 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5100)**Solid State Physics I**

Periodic structures, Lattice waves. Electron states. Static properties of solids. Electron-electron interaction. Dynamics of electrons. Transport properties. Optical properties.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5402 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5110)**Solid State Physics II**

Elements of group theory. Band structure, tight binding and other approximations, Hartree-Fock theory. Measuring the Fermi surface. Boltzmann equation and semiconductors. Diamagnetism, paramagnetism and magnetic ordering. Superconductivity.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5403 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5151)**Type I and II Superconductors**

Flux flow and flux cutting phenomena. Clem general critical state model. Flux quantization, Abrikosov vortex model and Ginzburg-Landau theory. Superconducting tunnelling junctions (Giaever and Josephson types).

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4370 or permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5404 [0.5 credit] (PHY 6371)**Topics in Mössbauer Spectroscopy**

Recoilless emission/absorption, anisotropic Debye-Waller factors, second order Doppler shifts. Mössbauer lineshape theory with static and dynamic hyperfine interactions. Distributions of static hyperfine parameters. Physics of the hyperfine parameters: origin of the hyperfine field, calculations of electric field gradients. Applications of Mössbauer spectroscopy.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5407 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5380)**Semiconductor Physics I**

Brillouin zones and band theory. E-k diagram, effective mass tensors, etc. Electrical properties of semiconductors. Conduction, hall effect, magneto-resistance. Scattering processes. Multivalley models and non-parabolic bands.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4380 or permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5408 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5381, PHY 5781)**Semiconductor Physics II: Optical Properties**

Optical constants and dispersion theory. Optical absorption, reflection and band structure. Absorption at band edge and excitons. Lattice, defect and free carrier absorption, Magneto-optics. Photo-electronic properties, luminescence, detector theory. Experimental methods.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4380 or permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5409 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5951)**Low Temperature Physics II**

Helium 3 and Helium 4 cryostats. Dilution refrigerators.

Theory and techniques of adiabatic demagnetization.

Thermometry at low temperatures. Problems of thermal equilibrium and of thermal isolation. Properties of matter at very low temperature.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4355 or permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5502 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5740)**Physique Numérique I**

Méthodes numériques déterministes en physique.

Techniques d'interpolation. Solutions numérique des équations de Newton, de Maxwell et de Schrödinger.

Dynamique moléculaire. Dynamique non-linéaire.

Solutions numériques des équations aux dérivées partielles en physique. Éléments finis.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5503 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5741)**Physique Numérique II**

Interpolation, régression et modeler. Nombres aléatoires.

Techniques de Monte-Carlo. Simulations thermo-

statistiques. Percolation, fractales, et automatisation

cellulaire. Méthodes numériques stochastiques.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5504 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5387)**Physics of Materials**

Microscopic characteristics related to the physical properties of materials. Materials families: metals and alloys, ceramics, polymers and plastics, composites, layered materials, ionic solids, molecular solids, etc.

Specific materials groups. Equilibrium phase diagrams and their relation to microstructure and kinetics. Experimental

methods of characterization. Interactions and reactions.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4382 or equivalent. Cannot be

combined with PHY 4387.

PHYJ 5505 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5355)**Statistical Mechanics**

Ensemble theory. Interacting classical and quantum

systems. Phase transitions and critical phenomena.

Fluctuations and linear response theory. Kinetic equations.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4370 and PHY 3355 or permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5506 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5742)**Simulations numériques en physique**

Un cours ayant but d'étudier des méthodes numériques avancées employées dans les problèmes à grande échelle dans les sciences naturelles. Emploi d'ensembles thermo-dynamiques différents, calculs de propriétés physiques expérimentalement pertinentes, et extension aux situations hors d'équilibre. Techniques pour ordinateurs parallèles.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5507 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5922)**Advanced Magnetism**

Study of some experimental and theoretical aspects of magnetic phenomena found in ferro-, ferri-, antiferromagnetic and spin glass materials. Topics of current interest in magnetism.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 4385 and permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5508 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5320)**Introduction to the Physics of Macromolecules**

Chemistry of macromolecules and polymers; random walks and the static properties of polymers; experimental methods; the Rouse model and single chain dynamics; polymer melts and viscoelasticity; the Flory-Huggins theory; the reptation theory; computer simulation algorithms; biopolymers and copolymers.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5509 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5347)**Physics, Chemistry and Characterization of Mineral Systems**

The materials science of mineral systems such as the network and layered silicates. In-depth study of the relations between mineralogically relevant variables such as: atomic structure, crystal chemistry, site populations, valence state populations, crystallization conditions. Interpretation and basic understanding of characterization tools.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5703 [0.5 credit] (PHY 6170)**Advanced Quantum Mechanics II**

Systems of identical particles and many-body theory. Lattice and impurity scattering. Quantum processes in a magnetic field. Radiative and non-radiative transitions. Introduction to relativistic quantum mechanics.

Prerequisite(s): PHY 5170 and permission of the Department.

PHYJ 5722 [0.5 credit] (PHY 5722)**Physique Biologique**

Application des méthodes de la physique à l'étude des phénomènes biologiques. Composantes principales d'une cellule. Concepts physiques pertinents aux phénomènes cellulaires : dynamique brownienne, liquides, suspensions, phénomènes d'origine entropique, forces chimiques et auto-assemblage. Molécules biologiques. Enzymes. Moteurs moléculaires. Impulsions nerveuses. Offert également, avec des exigences différentes, sous la cote PHY 4722.

Precludes additional credit for PHY 4722.

PHYJ 6406 [0.5 credit] (PHY 6382)**Physics of Semiconductor Superlattices**

Fundamental physics of two-dimensional quantized semiconductor structures. Electronic and optical properties of superlattices and quantum wells. Optical and electronic applications. This course is intended for students registered for the Ph.D. in semiconductor physics research.

Prerequisite(s): advanced undergraduate or graduate course in solid state physics and permission of the Department.

PHYJ 6407 [0.5 credit] (PHY 6782)**Physique des super-réseaux à semi-conducteurs**

Physique fondamentale des structures quantiques bi-dimensionnelles à semi-conducteurs. Propriétés électroniques et optiques des super-réseaux et puits quantiques. Applications à l'électronique et à l'optique. Ce cours est destiné aux étudiants et aux étudiantes inscrits au doctorat en physique des semi-conducteurs.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

Summer session: some of the courses listed in this Calendar are offered during the summer. Hours and scheduling for summer session courses will differ significantly from those reported in the fall/winter Calendar. To determine the scheduling and hours for summer session classes, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca

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