

Lyon College Batesville Campus: Standard Course Policies, Spring, 2025

These policies apply to all courses offered at Lyon College's Batesville campus. Details related to a specific course can be found in the rest of the course's syllabus.

Honor Code

All graded work in this class is to be pledged in accordance with the Lyon College Honor Code. The use of a phone for any reason during the course of an exam is considered an Honor Code violation.

Class Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend all class periods for the courses in which they are enrolled. They are responsible for conferring with individual professors regarding any missed assignments. Faculty members are to provide absence notification through the Early Alert System which informs the academic advisor, Director of Student Success, and the Provost when a student misses the equivalent of one, two, three, and four weeks of class periods in a single course. Under this policy, there is no distinction between "excused" and "unexcused" absences, except that a student may make up work missed during an excused absence. A reminder of the College's attendance policy will be issued to the student at one week, a second reminder at two weeks, a warning at three weeks, and notification of administrative withdrawal and the assigning of an "AW" grade at four weeks.

Students, please note: the policy stated above means that every single absence, regardless of reason, counts toward the four-week maximum.

Academic Support

The Morrow Academic Center (MAC) assists students who want to improve grades or academic skills by providing peer-led services including Supplemental Instruction (SI), tutoring, the Writing Center, and academic coaching as well providing 24-hour, online tutoring for all subjects through online tutoring. A schedule of peer-led services is available at lyon.edu/mac and online tutoring is accessed through courses in Canvas. Contact Donald Taylor, Director of Academic Support and Accessibility, at (870) 307-7319 or donald.taylor@lyon.edu for more information about MAC services.

Technology Support

For any technology-related support, you can contact the IT department by emailing support@lyon.edu or by calling 870-307-7555. You can also navigate to support.lyon.edu to submit a ticket request. Your course content will be accessible digitally using the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS), which uses your myLyon credentials for your student login. To access Canvas, login at lyon.instructure.com.

NOTE: Students taking RISE courses will use the [RISE Canvas LMS login](#).

Disabilities

Students seeking reasonable accommodations for learning, psychological, or physical disabilities must contact Donald Taylor, Director of Academic Support and Accessibility, in the Morrow Academic Center at (870) 307-7319 or at donald.taylor@lyon.edu.

Harassment, Discrimination, and Sexual Misconduct

Lyon College seeks to provide all members of the community with a safe and secure learning and work environment that is free of crime and/or policy violations motivated by discrimination, sexual and bias-related harassment, and other violations of rights. The College has a zero-tolerance policy against gender-based misconduct, sexual assault, and interpersonal violence toward any member or guest of the Lyon Community. The College encourages anyone

experiencing or knows of someone experiencing harassment, discrimination, or sexual misconduct to speak to and file an official report with our Title IX Coordinator, located on the first floor of the Edwards Commons Building #27, in the Student Life suite. All college employees (faculty, staff, administrators) are required to report actual or suspected incidents of harassment, discrimination, intimidation, and violence to appropriate officials immediately. However, there are limited exceptions, referred to as confidential reporters (Campus Clinic Director, the Chaplain, or the Director of Mental and Behavioral Health). Confidentiality will be maintained to the greatest extent possible within the constraints of the law. [Title IX Reporting Tool](#). [Lyon College Title IX Policy](#).

Mental & Behavioral Health

Lyon College is dedicated to ensuring each student has access to mental and behavioral health resources. The College's Mental and Behavioral Health Office is located in Edwards Commons and is partnered with White River Health's Behavioral Health Clinic. The office is committed to helping the Lyon community achieve maximum mental and behavioral wellness through both preventative and reactive care. A full-time, licensed, professional counselor provides counseling, consultations, outreach, workshops, and many more mental and behavioral services to Lyon students, faculty, and staff at no cost. The Mental and Behavioral Health Office also provides access to White River Health's services and facilities, including medication management and in-patient and out-patient care. To make an appointment, contact counseling@lyon.edu.

College-Wide COVID-19 Policies for Spring, 2025

The federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Declaration ended on May 11, 2023. **Except for individuals who, post-infection, may be directed to do so by Jennifer Morrison, Director of the Campus Clinic, masking will not be required in any campus space.** Vaccines are strongly encouraged for all faculty, staff, and students. Vaccines are not mandated for Lyon College community members, although there may be specific courses involving travel or interactions with vulnerable, external populations where a vaccine may be required.

The rest of a course's syllabus will include at least the following:

- A description of the course consistent with the Lyon College catalog.
- A list of student learning outcomes for the course.
- A summary of all course requirements.
- An explanation of the grading system to be used in the course.
- Any course-specific attendance policies that go beyond the College policy.
- Details about what constitutes acceptable and unacceptable student collaboration on graded work.

Tentative Syllabus for Physics 250: Spring 2025

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During tests: you are forbidden to communicate with others except for me. You are required to be present during the specified times for the tests.

Grading

As a general guide to grades, grades will be assigned as follows:

100-90]	(90-80]	(80-70]	(70-60]	<(60
A	B	C	D	F

In this course, you will have several grading opportunities, tests, homework and in-class problems. The various weight of each of these activities in your final point grade is shown below. Late assignments will normally not be accepted. Additionally, since we will be doing in-class problems poor attendance will negatively affect your grade: in particular, you will not receive credit for class participation for unexcused absences. There are no make-ups for in-class worksheets.

Tests (4 tests and 1 [comprehensive] final exam)=90%

Each test or exam is worth 18% of your grade.

Homework / in-class problems/ class participation=10%

Phy251 is a separate course from either Phy220 or Phy250. The grade in Phy251 has no impact upon the grade in either Phy220 or Phy250 except as a co-requisite.

Your work on tests will be graded for correctness. You are expected to become proficient with physical quantities and units in addition to being able to do the physics leading to the solution of problems. You are expected to each day come prepared for class. This is accomplished by having looked over the worksheet before class, and then working the problems for complete understanding after class. Students are generally expected to commit two hours of study outside of class for each hour of lecture. You will also notice that before each of the 4 tests, I have scheduled an Untest. On this day, you should come prepared to work as if this were the actual test. The format of the untests is not multiple choice. Instead you are expected to work through the problems as if it were an actual test. I have also scheduled several Unquizzes. Time permitting, we will allow about 10 minutes for you to complete self-diagnostic Unquizzes. During unquizzes and untests, you are encouraged to ask questions and discuss approaches to the solutions.

Course Description: Physics 250

In this course you will be exposed to fundamentals of physics. Among the topics that we will cover are electrostatics, magnetism and optics. Refer to Student Learning Outcomes for a discussion of minimal course outcome expectations.

Course Objectives: Physics 250

As a consequence of this course, you should obtain an enhanced understanding of the fundamentals of physics. In addition, you should come away from this course with an ability to solve fundamental problems involving physical principles.

Course Prerequisites: Physics 250

You are expected to be proficient with algebra and trigonometry. It is strongly recommended that your life will be made easier if you review trigonometry. Additionally you must satisfy the calculus requirements for physics 250. Phy251 is a concurrent requirement.

Text: Physics 250

The textbook in this course is:
Principles of Physics, Serway and Jewett, Fourth edition
ISBN: 0-534-49143-X

You may use earlier or later editions of this text (which can be obtained at much lower prices online {\$0.25 for example is a low price}) but you will need to be sure to read the correct portions of the text.

The schedule is designed around this particular text edition. You may use earlier or later editions but you will need to be sure to read the correct portions of the text. The text must be considered to be a very important resource so students are expected to be reading along in the text as the course progresses.

You have many resources on the campus: the library, your colleagues and your professor. Your prime learning resource, however, must be considered to be the classroom.

Punctual and complete class attendance is expected. Absences will negatively impact your final grade. Attendance will be taken.

Academic Honesty

It is expected and encouraged that students in this class will work together on homework problems. If you use reference work, be sure to include proper references. Questions during tests should be directed to the professor only and students are not permitted to communicate with each other during tests. Students are specifically prohibited from discussing any aspect of tests until all students have completed the test in both phy250 and phy220. Contravention of these conditions will be considered to be a violation of the Lyon College Honor Code.

CLASS SCHEDULE / OFFICE HOURS Spring 2025

**Office
Derby 248**

**General Lab
Derby 148**

**Research Lab
Derby 219**

PROFESSOR Stuart Hutton

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-8:50 Phy250.01 Fundamentals of Physics II Derby 007	8:00-9:15	8:00-8:50 Phy250.01 Fundamentals of Physics II Derby 007	8:00-9:15	8:00-8:50 Phy250.01 Fundamentals of Physics II Derby 007
9:00-9:50 PHY220.01 General Physics 2 Derby 007		9:00-9:50 PHY220.01 General Physics 2 Derby 007		9:00-9:50 PHY220.01 General Physics 2 Derby 007
10:10-10:50 Office Hours Derby 248	9:30-10:00	10:10-10:50 Office Hours Derby 148	9:30-10:00	10:10-10:50 Office Hours Derby 248
11:00-11:50 Lunch		11:00-11:50 Lunch	11-11:50	11:00-11:50 Lunch
			12:00 - 12:50 Phy321.01 Astrophotography Derby 148	
	13:00-15:30 Phy382.01 Special Topics Electricity and Magnetism Derby 148	13:00-15:50 PHY251.01 Fundamentals of Physics Lab 1 Derby 148	13:00-15:50 PHY251.02 Fundamentals of Physics Lab 2 Derby 148	13:00-15:50 PHY251.03 Fundamentals of Physics Lab 3 Derby 148
P&T 4-4:50		Phy241DS by arr		

Tentative Master Schedule: R.1 for Physics 220 and Physics 250 and Physics 251 Spring 2025

labs WRF	Worksheet Number	Date	220: Cutnell: 8th ed. Assignment Reading : Homework	250:Serway 4th ed Assignment: Reading: homework
L00: Introduction	Worksheet 01: Electrostatics 1	W January 15	chapter 18	chapter 19
		F January 17	chapter 18	chapter 19
		M January 20		
L01: In-Lab Problems 01	Worksheet 02: Electrostatics 2	W January 22	chapter 18	chapter 19
	Worksheet 03: Gauss' Law:UQ01	F January 24	chapter 19	chapter 19
	Worksheet 03A: Problems	M January 27	chapter 19	chapter 20
Lab 02: In-Lab Problems 02		W January 29	chapter 19	chapter 20
	Worksheet 04: potential : QU02	F February 31	chapter 19	chapter 20
	Worksheet 05: capacitance	M February 03	chapter 19	chapter 20
No Lab this week	UnTest 01	W February 05	chapter 19	chapter 21
	Test 01	F February 07		
	Worksheet 06: Problems	M February 10	chapter 20	chapter 21
Lab 03: Series & Parallel R	Worksheet 07: emf, RC circuit	W February 12	chapter 20	chapter 21
	Worksheet 08: Kirchoff's laws 1: UQ03	F February 14	chapter 20	chapter 21
Lab 04: EMF and RC Circuit	Worksheet 09: Kirchoff's laws 2	M February 17	chapter 21	chapter 22
	Worksheet 10: Magnetic fields 1	W February 19	chapter 21	chapter 22
	UQ04	F February 21		
Lab05: Current Balance	Worksheet 11: Magnetic fields 2	M February 24	chapter 21	chapter 22
	Worksheet 12: Ampere's law	W February 26	chapter 22	chapter 23
	UnTest 02	F February 28		
L06: Magnetic Levitation	Test 02	M March 03		
	Worksheet 13: Calculating B	W March 05	chapter 22	chapter 23
	Hurkle-Durkle Day (no classes)	F March 07		
	Worksheet 14:Faraday's law	M March 10		
Lab 07: Solenoids	Worksheet 15: Inductance	W March 12	chapter 22	chapter 23
	Worksheet 17: RLC Circuits 1 : UQ06 (No WS 16)	F March 14	chapter 22	chapter 23
	Worksheet 18: RLC Circuits 2	M March 17	chapter 23	chapter 23
L TBA	UnTest 03	W March 19	chapter 23	chapter 24
	Test 03	F March 21		
Spring Break	March 24 - March 28			
Lab 08: Oscilloscopes Lab : TBA	Worksheet 19: Thin Lens Eqtn. 1	M March 31	chapter 26	chapter 26
	Worksheet 20 : UQ07	W April 02	chapter 26	chapter 26
	AAS (April 04-05) (no classes)	F April 04		
Lab 09: focal lengths	Worksheet 21: Refraction	M April 07	chapter 26	chapter 26
	Worksheet 22: Mirror Equation	W April 09	chapter 26	chapter 25
	Worksheet 23: Multiple lenses	F April 11	chapter 25	chapter 25
Lab : TBA	Geometrical Optics, Ray trace : UQ08	M April 14	chapter 25	chapter 25
	Worksheet 24: Thin films	W April 16	chapter 25	chapter 27
	Easter Break (no classes)	F April 18		
	Worksheet 25: interference	M April 21	chapter 27	chapter 28
Lab10: Reflection	UQ09	W April 23	chapter 24	chapter 24
	TEM Waves	F April 25	chapter 30: 30.1 - 30.4	Chapter 29: 29.1, 29.2
	Bohr Model	M April 28		
Lab : TBA	UnTest 04	W April 30		
	Test 04	F May 02		
No lab this week		M May 05		
		W May 07		
deadline for all lab approvals	Last Day of Classes	F May 09		
	Final Exam	M May 12	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	8:00 am - 10:00 am

Physics Problem Solving Rubric SP2025

Note: this rubric indicates the process for completion of physics problems. Since our tests are now multiple choice, this should be viewed as a self-guided checklist for successful and complete problem completion.

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<p>1, Critical Thinking: Solution started correctly. Note: sketches may be considered here as required in problem statement.</p>	<p>correct approach If required, sketches were correct.</p>	<p>approach would lead to correct result Sketches miss one label or some other component absent or incorrect.</p>	<p>Something is right in the approach but insufficient to reach problem solution. Sketches miss multiple labels, directions incorrectly indicated</p>	<p>incorrect approach Sketch not present or not at all correctly labeled.</p>
<p>2. Quantitative Literacy: Solution proceeded quantitatively</p>	<p>Mathematical operations correct and units correct</p>	<p>Mathematical operations and units correct however an error usually related to incorrect units or the final numerical result present</p>	<p>Mathematical operations have some correct steps but misapplication or other errors prevented problem completion. Units reported in final result not present or incorrect .</p>	<p>Necessary mathematical operations incorrect and units absent</p>
<p>3, Scientific Thought & Informational Literacy Note: this may be contained within an equation starting the problem solution.</p>	<p>correctly stated physical principle or law and physical terminology needed to solve problem.</p>	<p>physical principle or law used shown however omission or extraneous material present. physical terminology needed to solve problem used but not complete or absent important concept.</p>	<p>statement of physical principle or law present but would not apply to present problem so as to lead to solution. physical terminology needed to solve problem incomplete and would not have lead to problem completion.</p>	<p>no statement of physical principle/ law or incorrect physical principle/ law. Did not use physical terms needed to solve problem or incorrect terms used.</p>

Problem scoring: maximum per **problem section** is about 5 points, some sections may have fewer points. In a test containing 4 problems, this equates to 25% of the total test score. The final score per problem is calculated as follows:

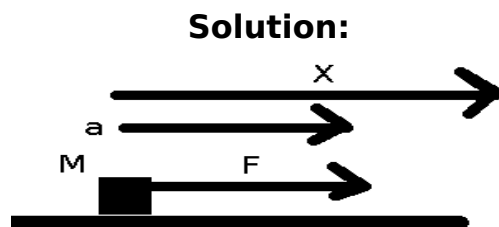
$$P_i = \frac{\text{total number of points from rubric}}{\text{maximum rubric points per problem}} \times \frac{100}{\# \text{ of problems on test (normally 4)}}$$

The test score is then determined by

$$\text{percentage test grade} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=\text{Number of problems on test}} P_i$$

Example of a complete solution

Find the vector position at time t of an object of mass M when subjected to a constant force $\vec{F}=F\hat{x}$ for a time t if the object was initially at $x=0$ and at rest. Provide a numerical result with correct SI units for $F=1$ N, $M=1/2$ kg and $t=2$ s. Include a correctly labeled sketch showing F acting on M , a and x .



$$\text{Newton's law: } \vec{F}=M\vec{a}\Rightarrow\vec{a}=\frac{\vec{F}}{M}; \vec{F}=F\hat{x}\Rightarrow\vec{a}=\frac{F}{M}\hat{x} : a_x=\frac{F}{M}$$

Constant force : kinematic equations of motion in x direction for position:

$$x=x_0+v_{x,0}t+\frac{1}{2}a_x t^2$$

Object initially at rest: $v_{x,0}=0$ m/s . Object initially at $x=0$: $x_0=0$ m .

Kinematic equation reduces to: $x=\frac{F}{2M}t^2$

$$\text{With numerical values: } x=\frac{1\text{N}}{2 \times \frac{1}{2}\text{kg}}(2\text{s})^2=4\frac{\text{Ns}^2}{\text{kg}}=4\text{m}$$

Final answer with vectors: $\vec{x}=4\text{m}\hat{x}$

Score:

1: Started with Newton's law and used correct equation of motion, additionally a correctly labeled sketch was drawn showing correct vector directions as was required=1

2: Algebra (including vectors) correctly lead to final result, unit algebra correct=1

3: Correctly used physical information in the problem which were mass M , initial conditions (at $x=0$, at rest) , time t , constant force, vector directions. Correct numerical quantities (including correct vectors) provided in final result with correct SI units reported=1

Student Learning Outcomes for the Physics Program at Lyon College SP2025

1. Students who complete the Physics 210/220, 240/250, 211/241/251 sequence are able to

1a. Articulate the basic principles of Physics.

1b. Apply the basic principles of Physics to solve a variety of qualitative and quantitative problems at the introductory Physics level.

This can be measured with portions of exam problems in Phy210, Phy240, Phy220, and Phy250. This can be measured with rates of accepted lab reports for Phy211, Phy241, and Phy251.

General Education learning outcomes for Phy210/Phy211/Phy240/ Phy241/Phy220/Phy250/Phy251

Critical thinking: 210,211,240,241,220,250,251

Inquiry and analysis: 211,241,251

Quantitative literacy: 210,240,211,241,220,250,251

Scientific thought and Information literacy: 210,240,211,241,220,250,251

Portions related to Phy211,Phy241,Phy251 will be based upon relative resubmissions for accepted labs throughout the course. Portions related to 210,240,220 and 250 will class exam scores tracked throughout the course.

Critical thinking is regularly evaluated in 210,240,211,241,220,250,251. It is evaluated in terms of starting with correct Physical principles applicable to a given situation and being able to follow it through to completion. It is evaluated by use of exam problems. In 211/241/251, it is part of the process of scientific thought and is evidenced by use of supporting data for a hypothesis as is required by the lab rubric.

Inquiry and analysis is regularly evaluated in 211/241/251 as part of the required element of completed lab writeups. It is evidenced by student explanation of the experiment and is a required element by the rubric.

Quantitative literacy is evidenced primarily in 210/240/220/250 by successful completion of Physical problems with correct units and correct numerical operations. It is evaluated by use of exam problems. Quantitative literacy is exhibited in 211/241/251 by students being able to follow through with calculations partially enabled by spreadsheet examples and being able to interpret the results. This is evidenced by the accepted writeup following a rubric.

Scientific thought and information literacy is regularly evaluated in 211/241/251 and is evidenced by use of hypothesis with supporting evidence (or not supporting evidence) based upon experiment as is required by the lab rubric for 3 selected labs. Information literacy is regularly evaluated in 211/241/251 and is evidenced by correct Physical terminology in lab reports as required by the lab rubric. It is also a significant portion of 210/240/220/250 and is evidenced by student success in using the basic Physical terminology enabling students to correctly initiate quantitative solutions to Physical situations.