

Fall Term:  
Two five-week  
courses  
(No Priority)

First five-weeks:  
PHYS 131 – Newtonian  
Mechanics

Potential  
Physics Major?

Yes

Second five-weeks:  
PHYS 151 – Relativity  
and Particles

No

Second five-weeks:  
PHYS 152 -  
Environmental Physics

Winter Term:  
Ten-week course  
(First-year Priority)

Potential  
Physics Major?

It doesn't  
matter!

Prior High  
School  
Physics?

No

PHYS 143 -  
Physical Systems:  
Mechanics and  
Relativity

Yes

Strong  
comfort with  
calculus

No

PHYS 144 -  
Astrophysical Systems:  
Mechanics and  
Relativity

Yes

Spring Term:  
Ten-week course  
(No Priority)

Potential  
Physics Major?

Yes

PHYS 143 - Physical Systems:  
Mechanics and Relativity  
(with Problem-solving)

No

PHYS 145 -  
Mechanics and Waves

Note: courses in dashed box will not satisfy introductory requirements for the physics major.