School of Physical and Chemical Sciences



General Course Information

PHYS313 - 2025 S2

Advanced Electromagnetism and Materials

Second Semester

Professor Mike Reid (Course Coordinator) Julius von Haast 616

Email: mike.reid@canterbury.ac.nz



Professor Roger Reeves Julius von Haast 730

Email: roger.reeves@canterbury.ac.nz



Advanced topics in modern Materials science. Roger Reeves (Term 3)

Development of the electronic theory of solids leading to band-structure calculations and on to band-structure engineering in quantum architectures. Advanced semiconductor physics including devices in modern opto-electronics.

Electromagnetism. Mike Reid (Term 4)

The development of the Maxwell equations in differential form. The propagation of electromagnetic waves in free space, dielectrics and conducting media, their behaviour at dielectric and metallic interfaces, and their production from radiating sources.

Textbooks

There is no required textbook for PHYS313 but some that can assist you are:

Materials Science:

J.R. Hook and H.E. Hall, Solid State Physics.

Electromagnetism:

D.J. Griffiths, Introduction to Electrodynamics, Fourth Edition.

The E&M section will cover much of Chapters 7-9. We will largely follow the notation of this book.

The library has many other books on these topics.

Assessment

20% HW Assignments. (3 assignments worth 10% for each section).

20% Test 1 (On first four weeks of Materials Section). In an Evening of Week 6. Date TBA. One hour.

60% Final Examination. Three Hours.

You must achieve 40% in the final exam to pass the course.

PHYS313-25S2 Schedule					
Week	Monday Date	Wednesday 10 am Lecture	Thursday 2 pm Lecture	Friday 1 pm Tutorial	
1	14 Jul	Materials 1	Materials 2	Materials Tutorial 1	
2	21 Jul	Materials 3	Materials 4	Materials Tutorial 2	
3	28 Jul	Materials 5	Materials 6	Materials Tutorial 3	
4	4 Aug	Materials 7	Materials 8	Materials Tutorial 4	
5	11 Aug	Materials 9	Materials 10	Materials Tutorial 5	
6	18 Aug	Materials 11	Materials 12	Materials Tutorial 6	Materials Test. 7pm, TBA
Break	25 Aug				
Break	1 Sep				
7	8 Sep	E&M 1	E&M 2	E&M Tutorial 1	
8	15 Sep	E&M 3	E&M 4	E&M Tutorial 2	
9	22 Sep	E&M 5	E&M 6	E&M Tutorial 3	
10	29 Sep	E&M 7	E&M 8	E&M Tutorial 4	
11	6 Oct	E&M 9	E&M 10	E&M Tutorial 5	
12	13 Oct	E&M 11	E&M 12	E&M Tutorial 6	

Class Representative

- As part of the feedback system on the course a Class Representative will be appointed. This person (or persons) will be a volunteer selected during the first few lectures.
- ❖ The Class Rep acts as an intermediary between the class as a whole and our department so that any problems of an organizational type, level of difficulty, etc. nature can be brought to our attention.
- ❖ The Class Rep(s) will be members of the Departments Staff-Student Liaison Committee. This committee meets twice during the semester (refreshments supplied) where the reps report on their class and have an opportunity meet other reps and lecturers.

Contact Details

- If you have a problem with any part of the course there are several people who are available for advice.
 - If the problem is with your understanding of the lecture or homework material then you should approach the Lecturer.
 - The Class Representative who acts as a feedback channel from the class to the Department.
 - If you have a grievance with some aspect of the course then in the first instance you should discuss the problem with the Lecturer. Failing a satisfactory resolution at this stage your next academic contacts are:
 - 300 level supervisor, Prof. Jenni Adams
 - Head of the School, Prof. Roger Reeves

Further steps involve the University grievance procedures. The UCSA is able to help here

GENERAL INFORMATION

The School has general policies that apply to all courses regarding such matters as Dishonest Practice, Allowed types of calculators, Marks and Grades boundaries, Late Work, Academic Liaison, Assistance for Students with Disabilities, Reconsideration of Grades, Special Consideration Applications, etc. This information is available on the *Physics & Astronomy Undergraduate Courses* section of the Learn site.