# SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

# SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO



## **COURSE OUTLINE**

**COURSE TITLE:** Applied Physics

CODE NO.: PHY 100 SEMESTER: I

**PROGRAM:** Electrical-Power/Environmental-Water Engineering

Technology

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**APPROVED:** 

"Brian Funch"
CHAIR

**DATE** 

**TOTAL CREDITS:** 4

**PREREQUISITE:** None

HOURS/WEEK: 4

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### I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces the student to a number of fundamental concepts of physics, which should prove useful to students in the Civil, Electrical, Environmental, and Water Resources Engineering programs. Topics to be covered include: units of measurement, vectors, forces, accelerated motion, Newton's laws of motion, momentum, work, energy and power, simple machines, force systems, and moments and torques. The assumption is that many of the students will be seeing these concepts for the first time. Because of the number of topics and the potential for difficulties in some of the more complicated areas, the emphasis will be placed on *introducing* the student to the *concepts* rather than a *rigorous mathematical analysis* of the topics.

#### II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will demonstrate the ability to:

- 1. Write definitions for the concepts introduced, preferably in the student's own words
- 2. Answer questions requiring knowledge of concepts presented in class
- 3. Respond to questions requiring extrapolation of the course content.
- 4. Solve mathematical based problems requiring an understanding of the course theory.
- 5. Apply the knowledge learned in this course to other courses which 'physics based'.

#### III. TOPICS:

- 1. Units of Measurement
- 2. Vectors
- 3. Motion
- 4. Force and Acceleration

- 5. Momentum and Impulse
- 6. Torque and Parallel Forces
- 7. Work and Energy
- 8. Simple Machines
- 9. Properties of Matter
- 10. Fluids

## IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

Ewen, Nelson and Schurter, **APPLIED <u>PHYSICS</u>**, **Ninth edition.** Pearson Canada, 2008.

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

The final grade will be derived from the results of the tests and lab work and assignments, weighted as follows:

Tests - 50% Quizzes - 25% Tutorials - 25%

To pass the course a minimum of 50% score is required.

The following semester grades will be assigned to students in postsecondary courses:

		Grade Point
<u>Grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<b>Equivalent</b>
A+	90 - 100%	4.00
A	80 - 89%	4.00
В	70 - 79%	3.00
C	60 - 69%	2.00
D	50 - 59%	1.00
F (Fail)	49% and below	0.00
CR (Credit)	Credit for diploma requirements has been	
	awarded.	
X	A temporary grade limited to situations with	
	extenuating circumstances giving a student	
	additional time to complete the requirements	
	for a course.	
NR	Grade not reported to Registrar's office.	
W	Student has withdrawn from the course	
	without academic penalty.	

#### VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

### **Course Outline Amendments:**

The professor reserves the right to change the information contained in this course outline depending on the needs of the learner and the availability of resources.

#### Retention of Course Outlines:

It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other postsecondary institutions.

### Prior Learning Assessment:

Students who wish to apply for advance credit transfer (advanced standing) should obtain an Application for Advance Credit from the program coordinator (or the course coordinator regarding a general education transfer request) or academic assistant. Students will be required to provide an unofficial transcript and course outline related to the course in question. Please refer to the Student Academic Calendar of Events for the deadline date by which application must be made for advance standing. Credit for prior learning will also be given upon successful completion of a challenge exam or portfolio. Substitute course information is available in the Registrar's office.

#### **Disability Services:**

If you are a student with a disability (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your professor and/or the Disability Services office. Visit Room E1101 or call Extension 2703 so that support services can be arranged for you.

### **Communication:**

The College considers *WebCT/LMS* as the primary channel of communication for each course. Regularly checking this software platform is critical as it will keep you directly connected with faculty and current course information. Success in this course may be directly related to your willingness to take advantage of the *Learning Management System* communication tool.

#### Plagiarism:

Students should refer to the definition of "academic dishonesty" in *Student Code of Conduct*. A professor/instructor may assign a sanction as defined below, or make recommendations to the Academic Chair for disposition of the matter. The professor/instructor may (i) issue a verbal reprimand, (ii) make an assignment of a lower grade with explanation, (iii) require additional academic assignments and issue a lower grade upon completion to the maximum grade "C", (iv) make an automatic assignment of a failing grade, (v) recommend to the Chair dismissal from the course with the assignment of a failing grade. In order to protect students from inadvertent plagiarism, to protect the copyright of the material referenced, and to credit the author of the material, it is the policy of the department to employ a documentation format for referencing source material.

### **Student Portal:**

The Sault College portal allows you to view all your student information in one place. **mysaultcollege** gives you personalized access to online resources seven days a week from your home or school computer. Single log-in access allows you to see your personal and financial information, timetable, grades, records of achievement, unofficial transcript, and outstanding obligations, in addition to announcements, news, academic calendar of events, class cancellations, your learning management system (LMS), and much more. Go to <a href="https://my.saultcollege.ca">https://my.saultcollege.ca</a>.

#### Electronic Devices in the Classroom:

Students who wish to use electronic devices in the classroom will seek permission of the faculty member before proceeding to record instruction. With the exception of issues related to accommodations of disability, the decision to approve or refuse the request is the responsibility of the faculty member. Recorded classroom instruction will be used only for personal use and will not be used for any other purpose. Recorded classroom instruction will be destroyed at the end of the course. To ensure this, the student is required to return all copies of recorded material to the faculty member by the last day of class in the semester. Where the use of an electronic device has been approved, the student agrees that materials recorded are for his/her use only, are not for distribution, and are the sole property of the College.

#### Attendance:

Sault College is committed to student success. There is a direct correlation between academic performance and class attendance; therefore, for the benefit of all its constituents, all students are encouraged to attend all of their scheduled learning and evaluation sessions. This implies arriving on time and remaining for the duration of the scheduled session. It is the departmental policy that once the classroom door has enclosed, the learning process has begun. Late arrives will not be granted admission to the room

#### **Tuition Default:**

Students who have defaulted on the payment of tuition (tuition has not been paid in full, payments were not deferred or payment plan not honoured) as of the first week of *November* will be removed from placement and clinical activities. This may result in loss of mandatory hours or incomplete course work. Sault College will not be responsible for incomplete hours or outcomes that are not achieved or any other academic requirement not met as of the result of tuition default. Students are encouraged to communicate with Financial Services with regard to the status of their tuition prior to this deadline to ensure that their financial status does not interfere with academic progress.