

Curriculum Map – Physics Area – Computational Physics Track – 2021-22

NOTE: This curriculum map assumes that students have not transferred in any previously completed college level courses.

All baccalaureate degree seeking students must complete a minimum of 33 hours of general education courses which includes:

FYS 101 – First Year Seminar	ENG 100 – Writing I
MATH 123, 131, 135, 152, 174 or 175*	ENG 200 – Writing II
COMS 108 – Fund. Of Speech Communication	Knowledge – Natural Science (NSC; select 2)
Knowledge – Arts & Humanities (HUM)	Global Cultures – Arts & Humanities (HUM)
Knowledge – Social & Behavioral Sciences (SBS)	Ethics & Civil Engagement – Social & Behavioral Sciences (SBS)

The approved NSC, HUM, and SBS course list is located in the current MSU Undergraduate Catalog.

*If applicable, specific mathematics course required for degree shown below.

FIRST YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE									
✓	Fall Semester	Code	Credits		✓	Spring Semester	Code	Credits	
	CHEM 111/111L Principles of Chemistry I (Level 2 NSC)	G/R	4			CHEM 112/112L Principles of Chemistry II	R	4	
	MATH 175 Calculus I	G/R	4			ENG 100 Writing I	G	3	
	MATH 170 Introduction to Computer Science	R	4			COMS 108 Fundamentals of Speech Communications	G	3	
	PHYS 105 Intro to Physics & Engineering Professions	R	1			PHYS 181 Introduction to Scientific Computing	R	3	
	FYS 101 First Year Seminar	G	3			MATH 275 Calculus II	R	4	
Total Credit Hours				16	Total Credit Hours				17

SECOND YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE									
✓	Fall Semester	Code	Credits		✓	Spring Semester	Code	Credits	
	MATH 276 Calculus III	R	4			MATH 363 Differential Equations	R/U	3	
	PHYS 231/231L Eng Physics I	R	5			PHYS 232/232L Eng Physics II	R	5	
	ENG 200 Writing II	G	3			MATH 301 Elementary Linear Algebra	R/U	3	
	Level 2 NSC	G	3			CIS 205 Intro to Programming – C++	R	3	
Total Credit Hours				15	Total Credit Hours				14

THIRD YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE									
✓	Fall Semester	Code	Credits		✓	Spring Semester	Code	Credits	
	PHYS 353 Concepts of Modern Physics I	R/U	4			PHYS 354 Concepts of Modern Physics II	R/U	3	
	PHYS 340 Experimental Physics	R/U	3			CS 310 Algorithms & Adv. Data. Str.	R/U	3	
	Level 2 SBS	G	3			PHYS 332 Elect and Magnetism	R/U	4	
	PHYS 481 Mathematics for Scientists & Engineers	R/U	3			PHYS 381 Computer Solutions to Eng and Science Problems	R/U	3	
	CS 303 Data Structures	R/U	3			Level 2 HUM	G	3	
Total Credit Hours				16	Total Credit Hours				16

FOURTH YEAR COURSE SCHEDULE									
✓	Fall Semester	Code	Credits		✓	Spring Semester	Code	Credits	
	PHYS 391 Dynamics	R/U	3			PHYS 499D Cap Senior Thesis II	U	1	
	PHYS 499C Cap Senior Thesis I	U	2			PHYS 493 Quantum Mechanics	R/U	3	
	Level 3 SBS	G	3			CS 420 Data Mining Concepts	R/U	3	
	Free Elective	E	3			Level 3 HUM	G	3	
	Free Elective	E/U	2			Free Elective	E/U	3	
Total Credit Hours				13	Total Credit Hours				13

(E) Elective, (G) General Education Course, (S) Supplemental
 (P) Pre-requisite, (R) Required Course, (U) Upper Division Course 300-400 level (you must have 42 hours)