



Study Program Handbook
Physics

Bachelor of Science

# Subject-specific Examination Regulations for Physics (Fachspezifische Prüfungsordnung)

The subject-specific examination regulations for Physics are defined by this program handbook and are valid only in combination with the General Examination Regulations for Undergraduate degree programs (General Examination Regulations = Rahmenprüfungsordnung). This handbook also contains the program-specific Mandatory Module and Examination Plans (Appendix 1a / 1b).

Upon graduation students in this program will receive a Bachelor of Science (BSc) degree with a scope of 180 ECTS (for specifics see chapter 3 of this handbook).

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# 1 The Physics Study Program

# 1.1 Concept

Physics has shaped our view of the universe by studying the basic concepts of space, time and matter. Physics not only lays the foundation for other natural sciences and many engineering disciplines, but is also a fundamental part of modern technology. The Jacobs University physics major is a three year BSc program with emphasis on early involvement in research. The first year starts with a broad introduction to classical and modern physics and their mathematical foundations, complemented by a choice of other subjects. The second year of studies features a thorough education in the theoretical foundations of physics (analytical mechanics, electro-dynamics, relativity, and quantum mechanics), more applied fields (solid state and statistical physics, semiconductor devices), computational physics and renewable energy. Lectures are complemented by teaching labs and students are encouraged to join a research group. The third year features a varying selection of specialization courses and guided research leading to the BSc thesis. Students have the opportunity to use the fifth semester for an extended internship or studies abroad.

# 1.2 Specific Advantages of the Physics Program at Jacobs University

- The three year Jacobs University physics BSc program is unique in its internationality and focus on research. The courses are quite advanced, with a difficulty level comparable to other top international programs, providing an ideal preparation for postgraduate studies of physics and related fields at worldwide leading universities.
- Our graduates are very successful in either getting admitted to top postgraduate programs (MSc/PhD) in physics and related fields, directly entering employment, or starting their own businesses. We use the feedback from our graduates to continuously improve our study program and the graduates themselves benefit from our international alumni network.
- For students with a strong interdisciplinary interest the program easily allows to pursue a minor in one of the other BSc programs at Jacobs University in addition to the regular physics major.

# 1.3 Program-Specific Qualification Aims

Our main objective is a broad and thorough education in physics with many advanced topics and early exposure to research. Students will learn the foundations and advanced concepts of classical and modern physics. In lab courses and research projects they will be trained hands-on in advanced experimental methods and techniques in physics. By giving presentations, writing lab reports, term papers and the BSc thesis they will gain familiarity with tools and approaches to access and communicate scientific information. The BSc education in physics at Jacobs University is designed to serve as an excellent foundation for graduate programs in physics and related fields. As such it contains in particular the core topics of any serious physics program: analytical mechanics, electrodynamics, quantum mechanics, statistical physics, as well as condensed matter physics and specialization topics like biophysics, computational physics, particles and fields, electronic devices. The analysis of complex systems, logical and quantitative thinking, solid mathematical skills and a broad background in diverse physical phenomena will be a valuable asset for any profession in modern society.

By the end of this program, students will be able to:

- describe, explain and understand natural phenomena, develop new materials, technologies and advance the description and understanding of nature
- use reason and logic to get a deeper understanding of natural phenomena and identify the most fundamental answer with highest predictive power across many domains
- conceive and apply approximations, estimates or extreme cases to test the plausibility of ideas
- apply a variety of approaches to describe physical systems using a mathematical formalism
- develop quantitative mathematical descriptions and computational models to analyze complex physical and other systems
- design experiments, develop scientific hypotheses and assess them critically
- describe outcomes of experiments with the pertinent precision, analyze experimental data and find appropriate physical laws and mathematical formalisms to describe and quantify them
- use field-specific terms of physics and communicate using the appropriate language of the scientific community
- analyze complex systems, think logically and quantitatively, apply and develop mathematical tools, and draw from broad background knowledge in diverse physical phenomena
- apply to top graduate programs in physics and related fields with excellent chance of admission, having mastered the pertinent core physics topics analytical mechanics, electrodynamics, quantum mechanics and statistical physics, as well as advanced topics and specializations like condensed matter physics, biophysics, computational physics, particles and fields, and electronic devices

The increasing complexity of our knowledge-based society requires a specialized and professional education together with an interdisciplinary and problem-oriented approach to solve upcoming problems. Graduates

- are trained to work independently on problems but are also able to team up with experts from other fields to solve transdisciplinary problems
- know their field of expertise well. They are scientifically literate citizen with the ability to evaluate and develop sound evidence-based decisions when dealing with technology or science issues

# 1.4 The Jacobs University Employability and Personal Development Concept

Jacobs University's educational concept aims at fostering employability which refers to skills, capacities, and competencies which transcend disciplinary knowledge and allow graduates to

quickly adapt to professional contexts. Jacobs University defines employability as encompassing not just technical skills and understanding but also personal attributes, competencies and qualities enabling students to become responsible members of their professional and academic fields as well as of the societies they live in. Graduates of JU will be equipped with the ability to find employment and to pursue a successful professional career, which means that graduates will be able to:

- acquire knowledge rapidly, gather, evaluate and interpret relevant information and evaluate new concepts critically to derive scientifically funded judgements;
- apply their knowledge, understanding and methodological competences to their activity or profession to solve problems;
- present themselves and their ideas effectively and to negotiate successfully;
- demonstrate understanding and knowledge of business principles and processes and to manage projects efficiently and independently;
- take responsibility for their and their team's learning and development.

Graduates of JU will also be equipped with a foundation to become globally responsible citizens, which includes the following attributes and qualities:

- graduates have gained intercultural competence; they are aware of intercultural differences and possess skills to deal with intercultural challenges; they are familiar with the concept of tolerance;
- graduates can apply problem-solving skills to negotiate and mediate between different points of view and to manage conflicts;
- graduates can rely on basic civic knowledge; they are able to analyse global issues of economic, political, scientific, social or technological nature; they are able to evaluate situations and take decisions based on ethical considerations;
- graduates are able and prepared to take on responsibility for their professional community and society.

# 1.5 Career Options

A Jacobs University BSc in Physics provides a solid and at the same time flexible foundation for careers in diverse fields, from basic research over engineering and life sciences, to finance and management. The scientific knowledge, the international network, the problem solving and social skills acquired during the studies of physics at Jacobs University guarantee success in our increasingly technology-driven society, as demonstrated by our many very successful graduates. The physics curriculum at Jacobs University is designed to ensure that graduates will be well prepared for postgraduate programs in physics and related fields at world-wide leading universities. The physics program exceeds recommendations of the German Physical Society and all topics required for the GRE physics test are included.

Physicists are the all-rounders among the natural scientists. About two thirds work on advancing our scientific knowledge or develop new technologies, products, and processes. Research positions are found in research centers, scientific institutes, and universities. In industry, physiJacobs University Undergraduate Handbook Physics - Matriculation Fall 2018 - V1 Page: 5

cists work in the fields like IT, software development, electronics, lasers, optics, and semiconductors. An increasing demand for physicists comes also from medical technology. Another large fraction of physicists hold faculty positions at universities and colleges or work in other branches of education. The broad training in analytical skills, technical thinking and the appreciation of complexity and subtlety allows physicists to work - often with additional qualification - as management consultants, patent attorneys, market analysts, or risk managers. Many BSc degree recipients go on to graduate school in physics and other fields, as careers in research and development usually require a postgraduate degree. Here we have an excellent placement record in the top graduate programs. Very helpful for career development is also the opportunity for international network building with Jacobs University students coming from more than a hundred different nations. Good communication skills are essential, since many physicists work as part of a team, have contact to clients with non-physics background, and need to write research papers and proposals. These skills are particularly well developed in the broad and multidisciplinary undergraduate program at Jacobs University.

## **1.6 More Information and Contact**

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# 2 The Curricular Structure

# 2.1 General

The undergraduate education at Jacobs University equips students with the key qualifications necessary for a successful academic, as well as professional career. By combining disciplinary depth and transdisciplinary breadth, supplemented by skills education and extracurricular elements, students are prepared to be responsible and successful citizens within the societies they work and live in.

The curricular structure provides multiple elements enhancing employability, transdisciplinarity, and internationality. The unique Jacobs Track, offered across all study programs, provides a broad range of tailor-made courses designed to foster career competencies. These include courses which promote communication, technology, business, (German) language, and management skills. The World Track, included in the third year of study, provides extended company internships or study abroad options. Thus students gain training on the job and intercultural experiences. All undergraduate programs at Jacobs University are based on a coherently modularized structure, which provides students with a broad and flexible choice of study plans to meet their major as well as minor study interests.

The policies and procedures regulating undergraduate study programs at Jacobs University in general can be found on the website.

# 2.2 The Jacobs University 3C-Model

Jacobs University offers study programs according to the regulations of the European Higher Education Area. All study programs are structured along the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), which facilitates credit transfer between academic institutions. The three-year undergraduate program involves six semesters of study with a total of 180 ECTS credits. The curricular structure follows an innovative and student-centered modularization scheme - the 3C-Model - which groups the disciplinary content of the three study years according to overarching themes:



Figure 1: The Jacobs University 3C-Model

#### 2.2.1 YEAR 1 - CHOICE

The first study year is characterized by a broad offer in disciplinary and interdisciplinary education. Students select three CHOICE modules from a variety of study programs. As a unique asset, our curricula allow students to select their study program freely from among the three selected CHOICE modules during their first year of study.

#### 2.2.2 YEAR 2 - CORE

In the second year, students take three in-depth, discipline-specific CORE modules. One CORE module can also be taken from a second, complementary discipline, which allows students to incorporate a minor study track into their undergraduate education. Students will generally qualify for a minor if they have successfully taken at least one CHOICE module and one CORE module in a second field, and this extra qualification will be highlighted in the transcript.

#### 2.2.3 YEAR 3 - CAREER

During their third year, students must decide on their career after graduation. In order to facilitate this decision, the fifth semester introduces two separate tracks. By default students are registered for the World Track.

#### 1. The World Track

In this track there are two mandatory elective options:

#### • Internship

The internship program is a core element of Jacobs Universitys employability approach. It includes a mandatory semester-long internship off-campus (minimum 16 weeks in full-time) which provides insight into the labor market as well as practical work experience related to the respective area of study. Successful internships may initiate career opportunities for students.

As an alternative to the regular internship, a limited number of students have the opportunity to prepare in a structured manner the formation of their own start-up in the 5th semester, and can attain 20 ECTS for this study-related achievement. Jacobs University cooperates with the City Accelerator Bremen (CAB) to which students can be admitted. There are several requirements which must be fulfilled before the 5th semester in order to be admitted to the CAB, i.e. attendance of specific seminars and workshops and the successful presentation of the business idea within the framework of a competition (pitch). The module is successfully completed, when the student / team of students have submitted the business plan to CAB.

For further information, please contact the Career Services Center (http://www.jacobs- university.de/career-services/contact).

#### • Study Abroad

Students can take the opportunity to study abroad at one of our partner universities. Courses recognized as study abroad credits need to be pre-approved according to the Jacobs University study abroad procedures and carry minimum of 20 ECTS credits in total. Several exchange programs allow you to be directly enrolled at prestigious partner institutions worldwide. Jacobs University's participation in Erasmus+, the European Unions exchange program, provides an exchange semester at a number of European universities including Erasmus study abroad funding.

For more information, please contact the International Office (http://intoffice.user.jacobs-university.de/outgoing/).

#### 2. The Campus Track

Alternatively, students may also opt to follow the Campus Track by continuing their undergraduate education at Jacobs, namely by selecting an additional CORE module during their third year and redistributing the remaining courses and modules across the third year. This opportunity can be used by students to more intensively focus on their major or to fulfill the minor requirements for a second field of interest.

In the sixth semester, all students select from a range of specialization courses within their study program and concentrate on their Bachelor thesis in the context of a Project/Thesis Module.



Figure 2: World Track versus Campus Track

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#### **Career Advising**

Is a mandatory component of the Jacobs University's Advising and Counseling Scheme. Further components are "Academic Advising" and "Psychological Counseling and Intercultural Services". Throughout their studies all students attend a mandatory set of career skills events. The mandatory "Career Skills Advising" prepares all undergraduate students at Jacobs University for the transition from student life to working life as well as for their future career. Skills, knowledge and information which are fundamental for participation in an internship or a semester abroad will be conveyed concurrently. Essential components include information sessions, compulsory workshops on various career-relevant topics as well as participation in the annual Jacobs Career Fair.

All undergraduate students will be automatically registered for "Career Skills Advising". However, every student has to keep track of his/her individual fulfillment of requirements and has to register on CampusNet for all workshops and sessions during the official registration period at the beginning of each semester. An overview of the sequence in which events should be attended is shown in the table below.

SEMESTER	1	2	3	4	5	6
MANDATORY BASICS	CSC-INFO Session: "CSC Services" CA01-990000		CSC-INFO Session: "World Track" CA01-990026			
MANDATORY SEMINARS	Both seminars have to be att in your first or second semest CSC-APPLICATION TRAINING CA01-990001 CSC-SUCCESS IN STUDIES, C CA01-990031	ended er: AREER AND LIFE				
MANDATORY ELECTIVE SEMINARS (seminar program subject to availability)			Attend 2 out of several caree workshops in your third or for - Research & Contacting Em - Presentation Skills - Comm - Grad School Application Tr - Time-Management Decisi an Interview - Introduction - Untroduction - - Career Orientation - Worki - Stress Management	skills seminars and th semester, i.e. ployers - Business Etiquette unication Skills aining - Self-Management on Making - Preparing for to Project Management ng in Germany		
OTHER MANDATORY Components				CSC-JACOBS CAREER FAIR in February, on campus CA01-990003		
CAREER RELATED STUDY PROGRAM COMPONENTS					INTERNSHIP (World Track) or STUDY ABROAD (World Track) or CAMPUS TRACK (exceptional)	INTERNSHIP & Study Abroad event

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## 2.3 The Jacobs Track

The Jacobs Track, another stand-alone feature of Jacobs University, runs parallel to the disciplinary CHOICE, CORE, and CAREER modules across all study years and is an integral part of all study programs. It reflects our commitment to an in-depth methodological education, it fosters our transdisciplinary approach, it enhances employability, and equips students with extra skills desirable in your general field of study. Additionally, it integrates essential language courses.

Mathematics, statistics, and other methods courses are offered to all students within a comprehensive Methods Module. This module provides students with general foundations and transferable techniques which are invaluable to follow the study content not only in the study program itself but also in related fields.

The Skills Module equips students with general academic skills which are indispensable for their chosen area of study. These could be, for example, programming, data handling, presentation skills, and academic writing, scientific and experimental skills.

The transdisciplinary Triangle Module offers courses with a focus on at least one of the areas of business, technology and innovation, and societal context. The offerings comprise essential knowledge of these fields for students from other majors as well as problem-based courses that tackle global challenges from different disciplinary backgrounds. Working together with students from different disciplines and cultural backgrounds in these courses broadens the students horizon by crossing the boundaries of traditional disciplines.

Foreign languages are integrated within the Language Module. Communicative skills and foreign language competence foster students intercultural awareness and enhance their employability in a globalized and interconnected world. Jacobs University supports its students in acquiring and improving these skills by offering a variety of language courses at all proficiency levels. Emphasis is put on fostering German language skills, as they are an important prerequisite for students to learn about, explore, and eventually integrate into their host country. Hence, acquiring 10 ECTS credits in German is a requirement for all students. Students who meet the requirements of the German proficiency level (e.g. native speakers) are required to select courses in any other language program offered.

# 2.4 Modularization of the Physics Program

#### Year 1

Take two mandatory modules listed below and select one further CHOICE module from a different study area.

#### Principles of Chemistry and Physics (CH05-PrincChemPhys)

The bi-functional module Principles of Chemistry and Physics provides an introduction to basic concepts of Inorganic/General Chemistry and selected topics of Physics. Two introductory lecture courses General Chemistry (focus on atomic structure, stoichiometry, reactions, periodic table, gases, bonding, liquids, solids) and Thermodynamics and Optics (focus on thermodynamics from physics perspective and on basic optical phenomena and instruments) are complemented by laboratory courses (General Chemistry Lab and Thermodynamics and Optics Lab) to develop fundamental practical and experimental skills.

#### Classical and Modern Physics (CH06-ClassModPhys)

Classical and Modern Physics is an introduction to the physical and mathematical description of natural phenomena. Physics is the most fundamental of all natural sciences and mathematics is its language as for many other scientific and engineering disciplines. In this module, we will study fundamental laws of physics and the underlying mathematical concepts and applications. Topics include basic physical concepts like motion, force, fields and energy, oscillations and waves, relativity, electrodynamics, quantum physics, and an introduction to condensed matter, particle and nuclear physics. The mathematical concepts used are vector calculus, differential equations, complex analysis. Lectures are complemented by practical sessions that provide training in experimental as well as computational skills, including a quantitative analysis of measurements.

#### Year 2

Take all three modules or replace one with a CORE module from a different study program.

#### Statistical Physics and Fields (CO13-StatPhys)

This module provides an introduction to the physics of systems of large numbers of particles and to their continuum field theory limit. All fundamental forces of nature can be formulated in terms of field theories in a way that reconciles classical mechanics with Einstein's relativity theories. In this module we focus on electromagnetic fields, related phenomena and applications. Statistical physics deals with complex systems of large numbers of particles. In this module, we review classical thermodynamics and extended it to a microscopic statistical description of many particle systems. This module complements the module on classical and quantum dynamics. Together they provide a solid foundation for more advanced courses. Accompanying lab courses give deeper insights into the systems discussed in the lectures and provide instructive examples in advanced physics.

#### **Applied Physics (CO14-ApplPhys)**

The module discusses advanced applications of physics in modern technology using a descriptive and experimental approach. It builds on the general concepts and methods developed in the Physics of Natural Sciences Module. The first part focuses on energy sources and energy storJacobs University Undergraduate Handbook Physics - Matriculation Fall 2018 - V1Page: 12

age technology. It includes the pertinent concepts of thermodynamics and physical chemistry. The second part introduces computational simulation methods as an important tool, useful for the understanding and investigation of physical systems and for a speed-up of the development of new technologies. Additional lab courses give deeper insights into the systems discussed in the lectures and provide instructive examples of experiments in advanced physics.

#### Classical and Quantum Dynamics (CO15-ClassDyn)

This module provides a thorough introduction to the theoretical foundations of physics. We will study the physics of particles in the macroscopic world and that of quanta in the atomic realm, while exploring the mathematical structure of nature. The module covers several core topics of physics: Analytical mechanics, special relativity, quantum mechanics and applications. It is complemented by the module on statistical physics and fields, which covers further fundamental topics. Accompanying lab courses give deeper insights into the systems discussed in the lectures and provide instructive examples in advanced physics.

Some CORE Modules require students to have taken a specific CHOICE Module. Please see the Module Handbook for details regarding pre-requisites.

#### Year 3

In the 3rd year students follow the World Track by default:

#### 1. World Track

5th Semester

• Internship / study abroad

#### 6th Semester

- Physics Project / Thesis Module
- Program-specific Specialization Module Exemplary course offering:
  - Biophysics
  - Particles and Fields
  - Solid-State Electronic Devices
  - Advanced Optics
  - Advanced Quantum Physics

#### 2. Campus Track

Students who do not enter the World Track follow the Campus Track. 5th and 6th Semester

- Program-specific Project / Thesis Module
- Program-specific Specialization Module (please see World Track for exemplary course offering)
- Additional CORE Module

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# 2.5 The Bachelor Thesis / Project

This module is a mandatory graduation requirement for all undergraduate students. It consists of two components in the major study program guided by a Jacobs Faculty member:

1. A Research Project (5 ECTS)

and

2. The Bachelor Thesis (10 ECTS)

The workload for the project component is about 125 hours and for the thesis component about 250 hours. The title of the thesis will be shown on the transcript.

#### 2.5.1 Aims

Within this module, students apply knowledge they have acquired about their major discipline, skills, and methods to become acquainted with actual research topics, ranging from the identification of suitable (short-term) research projects, preparatory literature searches, the realization of discipline-specific research, and the documentation, discussion, and interpretation of the results. Research results obtained from the Research Project can be embedded in the Bachelor Thesis.

#### 2.5.2 Intended Learning Outcomes

1. Research Project

This module component consists of a guided research project in the major study program. The well-defined research task must be completed and documented according to the scientific standards in the respective discipline. It involves a high degree of independence, supported by individualized instructor feedback and guidance.

2. Bachelor Thesis

With their Bachelor Thesis students should demonstrate mastery of the contents and methods of the major specific research field. Furthermore, students should show the ability to analyze and solve a well-defined problem with scientific approaches, a critical reflection of the status quo in scientific literature, and an original development of their own ideas.

Both, the Research Project and the Bachelor Thesis, can also have an inter- or transdisciplinary nature - with the explicit permission of the supervisor.

#### 2.5.3 Supervision

Both module components can be performed with the same Jacobs faculty member, or different ones, the latter in order to allow a broader research experience. Students are required to choose a supervisor, at the latest, by the end of the drop-add period of the semester in which the module component is taken. The selected supervisor(s) must approve the Project topic and Bachelor Thesis topic before the student starts to work towards the module component. The respective study program chairs will assist in the search for prospective supervisor(s).

#### 2.5.4 Registration

**World Track students** register for both components, at the earliest, in their 6th semester. **Campus Track students** register for the Project component in the 5th and for the Bachelor Thesis component, at the earliest, in their 6th semester.

The registrations must be made before the end of the respective drop/add periods.

Later enrolment is possible for those students pursuing a second major or those who graduate late for other reasons. These students perform their (second) thesis earliest in the 7th semester of their studies. They have to contact the Student Records Office for individual registration.

Students are allowed to extend their thesis related work into the intersession or summer break upon approval of the thesis supervisor and Student Records. Students are not allowed to register for different Bachelor Thesis courses in the same semester.

#### 2.5.5 Formal Regulations for the Bachelor Thesis

• Timing

The Thesis work has to be generated within the semester of registration. The semester period has 14 weeks.

• Extent

The document must be between 15-25 pages in length, including references, but excluding appendices or supporting information. Deviations in length and format can be determined within individual study programs and should be communicated to all registered students by the study program chair.

• Cover page

The cover page must show the title of the Bachelor Thesis, the university's name, the month and year of submission, the name of the student and the name of the supervisor.

• Statutory Declaration

Each Bachelor Thesis must include a statutory declaration signed by the student confirming it is their own independent work and that it has not been submitted elsewhere. The respective form can be found on the Student Records Office website.

• Submission

The Bachelor Thesis must be submitted as a hard copy (pdf-file) to the supervisor and additionally to the Student Records Office via online form on the Student Records Office website.

# Deadline for submission of the Bachelor Thesis is May 15 (unless specified otherwise by the Student Records Office).

## 2.6 Structure

		ee in <b>Physics</b>		
	CAREER 1	CAREER 2	CAREER 3	Jacobs Track
Year 3	Internship / Study Abroad (World Track)	Specialization	Project/ Research BA/BSc Thesis	Transdisciplinary Triangle Business, Technology,
	CORE 1	CORE 2	CORE 3	Societal Context
Year 2	Applied Physics	Classical and Quantum Dynamics	Statistical Physics and Fields	Languages
	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 3	Methods
Year 1	Classical and Modern Physics	Principles of Chemistry and Physics	Own selection	Skills

YEAR 1 Take three CHOICE modules, one free selection YEAR 2 Take three CORE modules, one CORE module ca

Take three CORE modules, one CORE module can be substituted by a CORE module from a second study program to pursue a minor

YEAR 3 Alternatively Campus Track with a 4th CORE module instead of internship/study abroad module

Figure 4: Physics Module Structure

# 3 Appendix 1a/1b: Mandatory Module and Examination Plans for World Track and Campus Track

Jacobs University Bremen reserves the right to substitute courses by replacements and/or reduce the number of mandatory/mandatory elective courses offered.

# 4 Appendix 2: Course Data for Program-Specific CHOICE and CORE Courses

All course data stated in the appendix is based on the previous study year and subject to change.

# **Physics – World Track**

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	Program-Specific Modules	Туре	Status <sup>1</sup>	Semester	Credits		Jacobs Track Modules (General Education)	Туре	Status <sup>1</sup>	Semester	Credits
Year 1 - CHOIC	Е				45						20
Take the two mandato	ry CHOICE modules listed below, these are a requirement for the Physic	cs program.									
CH06-ClassModPhy	s Module: Classical and Modern Physics		m		15	JT-ME-MethodsMath	Module: Methods / Mathematics		m		10
CH06-200104	Classical Physics	Lecture	m	1	5	JT-ME-120103	Calculus I	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH06-200114	Classical Physics Lab	Lab	m	1	2,5	JT-ME-120104	Calulus II	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH06-200102	Modern Physics	Lecture	m	2	5	JT-ME-120112	Foundations of Linear Algebra I	Lecture	m	2	2,5
CH06-200112	Modern Physics Lab	Lab	m	2	2,5	JT-ME-120113	Foundations of Linear Algebra II	Lecture	m	2	2,5
CH05-PrincChemPh	y Module: Principles of Chemistry and Physics		m		15	JT-SK-Skills	Module: Skills		m		2,5
CH05-400101	General Chemistry	Lecture	m	1	5	JT-SK-990103	Scientific and Experimental Skills	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH05-400111	General Chemistry Lab	Lab	m	1	2,5	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		2,5
CH05-200102	Thermodynamics and Optics	Lecture	m	2	5		Take one course from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	1/2	2,5
CH05-200112	Thermodynamics and Optics Lab	Lab	m	2	2,5		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS	3			
	Module: CHOICE (own selection)		e	1/2	15	JT-LA-Language	Module: Language		m		5
Students take one furth	her CHOICE module from those offered for all other study programs. <sup>2</sup>						Take two German courses (2,5 ECTS each).	Seminar	me	1/2	5
							Native German speakers take courses in another offered language				
						CA01-CarAdv	Career Advising				
Year 2 - CORE					45						20
Take all three module.	s $\underline{or}$ replace one with a CORE module from a different study program. <sup>2</sup>										
CO13-StatPhys	Module: Statistical Physics and Fields		me		15	JT-ME-MethodsMath	Module: Methods / Mathematics		m		5
CO13-200213	Electrodynamics	Lecture	m	3	5		Take two Methods (mandatory) elective courses (2,5 ECTS each). <sup>2</sup>	Lecture	me	3/4	5
CO13-200212	Statistical Physics	Lecture	m	4	5						
CO13-200222	Statistical Physics and Fields - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	4	5						
CO14-ApplPhys	Module: Applied Physics		me		15	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		10
CO14-201231	Renewable Energy	Lecture	m	3	5		Take four courses from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	3/4	10
CO14-200221	Renewable Energy - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	3	5		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS	3			
CO14-200331	Introduction to Computer Simulation Methods	Lecture	m	4	5						-
CO15-ClassDyn	Module: Classical and Quantum Dynamics	<b>T</b> .	me	2	15	JT-LA-Language	Module: Language	<i>a</i> :	m	2/4	5
CO15-200203	Analytical Mechanics	Lecture	m	3	5		Take two German courses (2,5 ECTS each).	Seminar	me	3/4	5
CO15-200202	Quantum Mechanics	Lecture	m	4	5		Native German speakers take courses in another offered language				
CO15-200223	Quantum Mechanics - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	4	5	CA01-CarAdv	Career Advising				
Year 3 - CAREE	R				45						5
CA02 / CA03	Module: Internship / Study Abroad		m	5	20	JT-SK-Skills	Module: Skills		m		2,5
						JT-SK-990104	Advanced Scientific and Experimental Skills		m	6	2,5
CA08-PHY	Module: Project/Thesis PHY		m		15	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		2,5
CA08-200303	Project PHY		m	6	5		Take one course from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	6	2,5
CA08-200304	Thesis PHY		m	6	10		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS	3			
CAS-WT-PHY	Module: Specialization Area PHY		m		10	CA01-CarAdv	Career Advising <sup>4</sup>				
	Take 10 ECTS of specialisation courses <sup>2</sup>		me	5/6	10						
Total ECTS											180
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<sup>1</sup> Status (m = mandatory, e = elective, me = mandatory elective)

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<sup>3</sup> You are required to take six Triangle Area courses in total. Select two from each of the three triangle areas (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT).

<sup>4</sup> Mandatory component of the Jacobs University's Counseling and Advising Scheme.



## **Physics – Campus Track**

Matriculation Fall	2018										
	Program-Specific Modules	Туре	Status <sup>1</sup>	Semester	Credits		Jacobs Track Modules (General Education)	Туре	Status <sup>1</sup>	Semester	Credits
Year 1 - CHOICH	Ξ				45						20
Take the two mandator	ry CHOICE modules listed below, these are a requirement for the Physic	s program.									
CH06-ClassModPhys	Module: Classical and Modern Physics		m		15	JT-ME-MethodsMath	Module: Methods / Mathematics		m		10
CH06-200104	Classical Physics	Lecture	m	1	5	JT-ME-120103	Calculus I	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH06-200114	Classical Physics Lab	Lab	m	1	2,5	JT-ME-120104	Calulus II	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH06-200102	Modern Physics	Lecture	m	2	5	JT-ME-120112	Foundations of Linear Algebra I	Lecture	m	2	2,5
CH06-200112	Modern Physics Lab	Lab	m	2	2,5	JT-ME-120113	Foundations of Linear Algebra II	Lecture	m	2	2,5
CH05-PrincChemPhy	Module: Principles of Chemistry and Physics		m		15	JT-SK-Skills	Module: Skills		m		2,5
CH05-400101	General Chemistry	Lecture	m	1	5	JT-SK-990103	Scientific and Experimental Skills	Lecture	m	1	2,5
CH05-400111	General Chemistry Lab	Lab	m	1	2,5	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		2,5
CH05-200102	Thermodynamics and Optics	Lecture	m	2	5		Take one course from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	1/2	2,5
CH05-200112	Thermodynamics and Optics Lab	Lab	m	2	2,5		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS <sup>3</sup>				
	Module: CHOICE (own selection)		e	1/2	15	JT-LA-Language	Module: Language		m		5
Students take one furth	er CHOICE module from those offered for all other study programs. <sup>2</sup>						Take two German courses (2,5 ECTS each).	Seminar	me	1/2	5
							Native German speakers take courses in another offered language				
						CA01-CarAdv	Career Advising <sup>4</sup>				
Year 2 - CORE					45						20
Take all three modules	<u>or</u> replace one with a CORE module from a different study program. <sup>2</sup>										
CO13-StatPhys	Module: Statistical Physics and Fields		me		15	JT-ME-MethodsMath	Module: Methods / Mathematics		m		5
CO13-200213	Electrodynamics	Lecture	m	3	5		Take two Methods (mandatory) elective courses (2,5 ECTS each). <sup>2</sup>	Lecture	me	3/4	5
CO13-200212	Statistical Physics	Lecture	m	4	5						
CO13-200222	Statistical Physics and Fields - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	4	5						
CO14-ApplPhys	Module: Applied Physics		me		15	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		10
CO14-201231	Renewable Energy	Lecture	m	3	5		Take four courses from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	3/4	10
CO14-200221	Renewable Energy - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	3	5		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS 3				
CO14-200331	Introduction to Computer Simulation Methods	Lecture	m	4	5						
CO15-ClassDyn	Module: Classical and Quantum Dynamics		me		15	JT-LA-Language	Module: Language		m		5
CO15-200203	Analytical Mechanics	Lecture	m	3	5		Take two German courses (2,5 ECTS each).	Seminar	me	3/4	5
CO15-200202	Quantum Mechanics	Lecture	m	4	5		Native German speakers take courses in another offered language				
CO15-200223	Quantum Mechanics - Advanced Lab	Lab	m	4	5	CA01-CarAdv	Career Advising <sup>4</sup>				
Year 3 - CAREEI	R				45						5
COXX	Module: Additional (4th) CORE module		m	5/6	15	JT-SK-Skills	Module: Skills		m		2,5
						JT-SK-990104	Advanced Scientific and Experimental Skills		m	6	2,5
CA08-PHY	Module: Project/Thesis PHY		m		15	JT-TA-TriArea	Module: Triangle Area		m		2,5
CA08-200303	Project PHY		m	5	5		Take one course from the triangle (BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY &		me	5	2,5
CA08-200304	Thesis PHY		m	6	10		INNOVATION, SOCIETAL CONTEXT) area. Each counts 2,5 ECTS 3				
CAS-CT-PHY	Module: Specialization Area PHY		m		15	CA01-CarAdy	Career Advising <sup>4</sup>				
	Take 15 ECTS of specialization courses <sup>2</sup>		me	5/6	15		9				
Total ECTS	•										180
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<i>Course Name</i>	<b>Course No</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Thermodynamics and Optics	CH05-200102	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH05-PrincChemPhys Principles of Chemistry and	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Optics and thermodynamics are topics of interest for any student enrolled in a natural science major such as physics or chemistry. This course introduces the basic physical principles and concepts of optics and thermodynamics. Emphasis is laid on general principles and phenomena necessary to describe natural phenomena and basic scientific instruments. Experiments and demonstrations are included in the lecture, and a tutorial is offered to discuss homework and topics of interest in more details.

The course is divided into two section: one is thermodynamics starting with the description of temperature, heat, ideal gases and kinetic gas theory; it includes the 1st law and heat engines together with the 2nd law and entropy and other thermodynamic potentials. The other section starts with an introduction to the nature of light and waves, and the basic phenomena of reflection and refraction. It then focuses on lenses and optical instruments before it turns to interference and diffraction and ends with advanced topics such as spectroscopy and lasers.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
First Exam	40%
Home Work	20%
Second Exam	40%

Course Name	<b>Course No</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Thermodynamics and Optics Lab	CH05-200112	2,5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH05-PrincChemPhys Principles of Chemistry and	<i>Workload (hrs / sem)</i> Contact Time: 25,50 Private Study: 37,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Physics is an experimental science and the ultimate test of any theory or description of nature is the experiment. This lab course complements the Thermodynamics and Optics lecture with experiments in those fields and is supplemented by experiments covering physics topics from the other lecture of the module, inorganic chemistry. It deepens the understanding and extends the topics covered in the lecture, which is a co-requisite for this course. Prior to the course, students need to attend the relevant safety instructions and will get an introduction to error analysis. The lab offers six different experiments and runs over six afternoons.

The aim of the lab sessions is hands-on experience on how to investigate physical phenomena and topics presented in the lecture; to plan, carry out, and analyze experiments in physics; to describe, summarize and present experimental results adequately. Examples of experiments include Coulomb force, ideal gas and diffraction.

Weighting
34%
66%



Course Name	Course No	FCTS
General Chemistry	CH05-400101	5
Module Affiliation	Workload (hrs / sem)	l evel
CH05-PrincChemPhys Principles of Chemistry and	Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE
Course Description / Content / Aims		
An introduction to inorganic and general chemistry covering the followi Molecules, and Ions, (3) Stoichiometry, (4) Types of Chemical Reactio Structure and Periodicity, (7) Bonding: General Concepts, (8) Covalent Properties of Solutions	ng areas: (1) Chemical F ns and Solution Stoichior Bonding: Orbitals, (9) Li	oundations, (2) Atoms, netry, (5) Gases, (6) Atomic quids and Solids, (10)
Methods of Assessment		
Name		Weighting
Attendance		10%
Final Exam		45%
Midterm Exam		45%
Course Name	Course No	ECTS
General Chemistry Lab	CH05-400111	2,5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH05-PrincChemPhys Principles of Chemistry and	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 25,50 Private Study: 37,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE
<b>Course Description / Content / Aims</b> Foundation principles of chemistry, including basic laboratory techniqu strong/weak acids and bases, titrations, solubility of salts, crystallizatio analysis, complex formation, synthesis of nanoparticles.	es, qualitative analysis of n, redox reactions, gravir	anions and cations, netric analysis, volumetric
<i>Methods of Assessment</i> Name		Weighting
Performance		50%
Quizz(es)		10%
Reports		40%
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Course Name	Course No	ECTS						
Modern Physics	CH06-200102	5						
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH06-ClassModPhys Classical and Modern Physics	Workload (hrs / sem)LevelContact Time: 35,00Bachelor 1st Year CHPrivate Study: 90,00Study: 90,00							
<b>Course Description / Content / Aims</b> Modern technology and the understanding of natural systems are heav physics of the 20th century. This course introduces the basic principles physics. Emphasis is laid on the understanding of general principles ar description. Experiments and demonstrations are included in the lectur topics of interest in more detail. The course consists of two main sections: The electromagnetism part is phenomena using the concepts of force, fields, and potentials. This is f matter, electric currents, induction, and Maxwell equations.	rily based on electromagr and phenomena of elect ad phenomena supported re, and a tutorial is offered is an introduction to basic followed by a discussion of	netic phenomena and the tromagnetism and modern I by an adequate mathematical d to discuss homework and c electric and magnetic of dielectrics and magnetism in						
Methods of Assessment								
Name		Weighting						
Final Exam		45%						
Home Work		20%						
Midterm Exam		35%						
<i>Course Name</i> Classical Physics	<b>Course No</b> CH06-200104	<b>ECTS</b> 5						
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH06-ClassModPhys Classical and Modern Physics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE						
Course Description / Content / Aims Physics is the most fundamental of all natural sciences. This course introduces the basic physical principles and concepts of mechanics and special relativity. It is offered for students with a solid working knowledge of basic physics and mathematics. Emphasis is laid on general principles and fundamental mathematical concepts for a thorough understanding of physical phenomena. Calculus and vector analysis will be used to develop a scientific sound description of physical phenomena. Experiments and demonstrations are included in the lecture and a tutorial is offered to discuss homework and topics of interest in more details. The course starts with an introduction to the description of motion using calculus, vectors and coordinate systems. Then the concepts of force and energy, momentum and collisions, and rotational motion and gravitation will be discussed. It continues								
Methods of Assessment	Ŭ							
Name		Weighting						
Final Exam		50%						
Home Work	Home Work 20%							
Midterm Exam		30%						



<i>Course Name</i> Modern Physics Lab	<i>Course No</i> CH06-200112	<b>ECTS</b> 2,5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH06-ClassModPhys Classical and Modern Physics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 25,50 Private Study: 37,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE
<b>Course Description / Content / Aims</b> This lab course complements the Modern Physics lecture with calculat physics. It deepens the understanding and extends the mathematical to provides a practical introduction to programming, numerical and/or sym The lab offers runs over six afternoons.	ions and computational e opics covered in first yea nbolic computation with m	xperiments in the fields of r physics lectures. The lab nany examples from physics.
<i>Methods of Assessment</i> Name		Weighting
Final Exam		34%
Lab Reports		66%
<b>Course Name</b> Classical Physics Lab	<b>Course No</b> CH06-200114	<b>ECTS</b> 2,5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CH06-ClassModPhys Classical and Modern Physics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 25,50 Private Study: 37,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 1st Year CHOICE
<b>Course Description / Content / Aims</b> Physics is an experimental science and the ultimate test for any theory course complements the Classical Physics lecture with experiments in and extends the topics covered in the lecture, which is a co-requisite for attend the relevant safety instructions and will get an introduction into e experiments and runs over six afternoons. The aim of the lab sessions phenomena and topics presented in the lecture; to plan, carry out, and and present experimental results adequately. Examples of experiments optical instruments.	or description of nature i the field of mechanics. It or this course. Prior to the error analysis and calcula is hands-on experience of analyze experiments in p s include the mathematic	s the experiment. This lab deepens the understanding course, students need to tion. The lab offers six different on how to investigate physical ohysics; to describe, summarize al pendulum, ideal gas law and
<i>Methods of Assessment</i> Name Final Exam Reports		Weighting 34% 66%



<i>Course Name</i>	<b>Course No</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Statistical Physics	CO13-200212	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO13-StatPhys Statistical Physics and Fields	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Statistical physics describes macroscopic properties of matter by a statistical treatment of their microscopic constituents and can be applied in different fields ranging from biophysics to condensed matter and high energy physics. This course deals with an intensive introduction to statistical physics and its applications in condensed matter theory. The course starts with an introduction to the mathematical concepts followed by a very brief review of the thermodynamic concepts and quantities. Topics in statistical physics include the statistical basis of thermodynamics, micro-canonical, canonical and grand-canonical ensembles, macroscopic variables, physical applications up to an introduction to quantum statistical physics like Fermi and Bose quantum gases, and related physical phenomena. Based on the multi-particle wave functions of Fermions, applications in condensed matter physics are discussed. An introduction to stochastic differential equations, the Langevin equation is given.

Name	Weighting
Final Exam	35%
Home Work	30%
Midterm Exam	35%

Course Name	Course No	ECTS
Electrodynamics	CO13-200213	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO13-StatPhys Statistical Physics and Fields	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	Level Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Electrodynamics is the prototype theory for all fundamental forces of nature. It plays a profound role in modern communication, computing and control systems, as well as energy production, transport, storage and use. This course provides an intensive calculus-based introduction to electrodynamics. Topics include: Electromagnetic fields, Maxwell's equations, electrostatics, magnetostatics, fields in matter, covariant formulation of electrodynamics and special relativity, electromagnetic radiation, and optics. The course is part of the core physics education and builds in an essential way on the foundation of Physics and Applied Mathematics module. The course is however also accessible and of interest to students without this prerequisite, but with a sufficiently strong background in mathematics.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Final Exam	45%
Home Work	20%
Midterm Exam	35%



Course Name	<i>Course No</i>	<b>ECTS</b>
Statistical Physics and Fields - Advanced Lab	CO13-200222	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO13-StatPhys Statistical Physics and Fields	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 51,00 Private Study: 74,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

This second year physics lab course offers advanced experiments related to electrodynamics, statistical physics and aspects of condensed matter physics. It deepens the understanding, but also extends or introduces the topics taught in the lectures of the Statistical Physics and Fields module. It requires previous exposure to a physics-related first year lab course and its related experimental methods and analysis. Participants carry out six experiments with each experiment occupying two afternoons. Students expand their experimental skills by gaining practical experience with advanced experimental and evaluation methods. Examples of experiments include the Hall effect, Nd:YAG laser, diffraction and dispersion.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Oral Exam	20%
Report	80%

<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Course No</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Renewable Energy - Advanced Lab	CO14-200221	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO14-ApplPhys Applied Physics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 51,00 Private Study: 74,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

This second year physics lab course offers advanced experiments related to thermodynamics and renewable energy topics. It deepens the understanding, but also extends or introduces the topics covered in the Renewable Energy lecture. Previous exposure to a first year lab course and the related experimental analysis methods is recommended when taking this lab. Participants carry out six experiments with each experiment occupying two afternoons. The lab will introduce students to advanced experimental and evaluation methods in physics. Examples of experiments include wind tunnel, Stirling engine, and fuel cell.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Oral Exam	20%
Report	80%



Course Name	Course No	ECTS
Introduction to Computer Simulation Methods	CO14-200331	5
Module Affiliation	Workload (hrs / sem)	Level
CO14-ApplPhys Applied Physics	Contact Time: 35,00	Bachelor 2nd Year CORE
	Private Study: 90,00	

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

This introductory course on Computer Simulation Methods discusses a number of practical numerical solutions for typical problems in the natural sciences. While, for example, the very nature of physics is the expression of relationships between physical quantities in mathematical terms, an analytic solution of the resulting equations is often not available. Instead, numerical solutions based on computer programs are required to obtain useful results for real-life problems. In this course several numerical techniques are introduced, such as solving differential equations of motion, partial differential equations, random number generation and standard as well as Monte Carlo integration, which are important tools in any numerical approach. These methods will be applied to a selection of problems including the classical dynamics of particles, traffic simulations, simple electrostatics, random processes, cellular automata, etc. Since the course includes numerous examples *Methods of Assessment* 

Name	Weighting
Final Exam	50%
Home Work	50%

<i>Course Name</i>	<b>Course No</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Renewable Energy	CO14-201231	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO14-ApplPhys Applied Physics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Renewable energy resources promise to provide clean, decentralized solutions to the world energy crisis, as energy resources which directly depend on the power of the sun's radiation. The course gives an overview of the potential and limitations of energy resources. It includes a self-contained introduction to classical thermodynamics.

We start with an overview of energy scenarios based on current energy needs and available energy resources. After an introduction to the basic physics of solar energy and the basics of thermodynamics we cover physics and engineering aspects of solar cells, solar thermal collectors, wind power, geothermal power, thermophotovoltaics, the potential of biomass energy resources, hydro, tidal and wave energy. A basic introduction to energy transport and energy storage is given. We also give an introduction to the basic physics of other energy resources, in particular nuclear energy.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Final Exam	50%
Exercises and Quizzes	50%



Course No	ECTS
CO15-200202	5
Workload (hrs / sem)	Level
Contact Time: 35,00	Bachelor 2nd Year CORE
Private Study: 90,00	
	Course No CO15-200202 Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

At a fundamental microscopic level our world is governed by quantum phenomena that frequently defy attempts of a common sense understanding based on our everyday experience of the macroscopic world. Yet modern technology would not be possible without quantum physics. This course provides an intensive introduction to quantum mechanics. We shall emphasize conceptual as well as quantitative aspects of the theory. Topics include: Foundation and postulates of quantum mechanics; Schrödinger Equation; one-dimensional problems (potential barriers and tunneling); operators, matrices, states (Dirac notation, representations); uncertainty relations; harmonic oscillator, coherent states; angular momentum and spin; central potential (hydrogen atom, multi-electron atoms); perturbation theory; mixed states, entanglement, measurement. Some illustrative examples from quantum information theory (quantum computing) will be discussed. The course is part of the core physics **Methods of Assessment** 

Weighting
50%
25%
25%

<i>Course Name</i>	<i>Course No</i>	<b>ECTS</b>
Analytical Mechanics	CO15-200203	5
<i>Module Affiliation</i> CO15-ClassDyn Classical and Quantum Dynamics	Workload (hrs / sem) Contact Time: 35,00 Private Study: 90,00	<i>Level</i> Bachelor 2nd Year CORE

#### Course Description / Content / Aims

Mechanics provides the foundation for all other fields of physics. The analytical techniques developed in mechanics have applications in many other sciences, engineering, mathematics and even economics. This course provides an intensive calculus-based introduction to analytical mechanics and special relativity. Topics include: Newton's laws, kinematics and dynamics of systems of particles, planetary motion, rigid body mechanics, Lagrangian mechanics, variational techniques, symmetries and conservation laws, Hamiltonian mechanics, canonical transformations, small oscillations, and relativistic mechanics. The course is part of the core physics education and builds on the foundation of the Physics and Applied Mathematics module. The course is however also accessible and of interest to students without this prerequisite, but with a sufficiently strong background in mathematics.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Final Exam	50%
Homework	25%
Midterm Exam	25%



CO15-200223	5
Workload (hrs / sem)	Level
Contact Time: 51,00	Bachelor 2nd Year CORE
Private Study: 74,00	
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#### Course Description / Content / Aims

This second year physics lab course offers advanced experiments related to analytical mechanics, quantum mechanics, and atomic physics. It deepens the understanding, but also extends or introduces the topics covered in the lectures of the Classical and Quantum Dynamics Module. It requires previous exposure to a physics-related first year lab course and its related experimental methods and analysis. Participants carry out six experiments with each experiment occupying two afternoons. Students expand their experimental skills by gaining practical experience with advanced experimental and evaluation methods. Examples of experiments include gyroscope and Coriolis force, Stern Gerlach experiment, electron spin and NMR.

Methods of Assessment	
Name	Weighting
Report	80%
Oral Exam	20%