

Grades:

Lab	25%
Minitest	At the end of each chapter 75% (or 55% with final exam) (The lowest grade in the Minitest will be dropped)

Final exam (20%) is OPTIONAL

A = 90+

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

There are No Makeup Tests or Minitests

There is No Extra Credit Work

- **A failing grade in lab will automatically result in a failing grade for the entire course.**
- **Four (4) consecutive unexcused absences, or six (6) cumulative unexcused absences, will result in a failing grade. A course which is failed due to excessive absences has more serious financial aid consequences than a course which is failed in spite of regular attendance.**

Lecture and Test (Tentative)

Chapter 2	Describing Motion
Chapter 3	Newton's Law of Motion
Chapter 4	Momentum and Energy
Chapter 5	Gravity
Chapter 6	Heat
Chapter 7	Electricity and Magnetism
Chapter 8	Waves – Sound and Light
Chapter 28	The Solar System
Chapter 29	The Universe

Optional Final Exam is on Monday December 16 at 2:00 pm

Attendance and Tardiness: Students are expected to be on time and present for all class meetings. Excused absences can be arranged prior to the class period being missed for appropriate activities as determined by the instructor. If an emergency results in an absence, the student should contact the instructor as soon as possible informing the instructor of the emergency and inquiring about ways to make up the missed class. The instructor will make judgements on how to handle the situation. Possible reasons for an

excused absence are listed in the “ Student’s Guidebook” under class attendance policy. Attendance and tardy records will be maintained and both may result in deductions from your overall grade.

Classroom Behavior: Disorderly conduct which interferes with the normal classroom atmosphere will not be tolerated. The classroom instructor is the judge of such behavior and may instruct a disorderly student to leave the room with an unexcused absence or in more serious situations a student may be removed from the class with a failing grade.

Cheating and other Breaches of Academic Conduct: Academic cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic misconduct may result in removal of the student from class with a failing grade or may in extreme cases result in suspension or expulsion from the University as described in the “Code of Student Conduct” section of the “ Student’s Guidebook”.

Students with Disabilities: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

Office of Student Disability Resources and Services
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Gee Library
Room 132
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
Fax (903) 468-8148
StudentDisabilityServices@tamuc.edu

Evaluation of Instruction: Students will be given opportunities to evaluate instruction near the end of the semester. The physics department utilizes a scantron graded questionnaire with statements regarding various elements of instruction and in addition utilizes an open ended form where students can make comments on all elements of the classroom. These comments are given to the instructor and department head soon after the grades are recorded. If students have concerns about the classroom experience during the semester they should inform the instructor of those concerns and failing a satisfactory response may, as a last resort, contact the physics department head with those concerns.