

## Syllabus Course description

Course title	Fundamentals of Physics
Course code	40183
Scientific sector	FIS/03
Degree	Bachelor in Agricultural, Food and Mountain environmental Sciences
Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Year	I
Academic year	2021/22
Credits	6
Modular	No

Total lecturing hours	36
Total exercise hours	24
Attendance	Recommended
Prerequisites	Mathematics, Chemistry
Course page	https://www.unibz.it/

Specific educational objectives	The course aims to give to the attendants a scientific basis in static + kinematic mechanics, thermodynamics and electrodynamics, as well as practical methods and the ability to solve problems related to the same topics.

Learning outcomes	Knowledge and understanding
	Knowledge and understanding of physical laws of:
	1. Mechanics
	2. Thermodynamics
	3. Electrodynamics
	Applying knowledge and understanding
	4. Ability to analyze and solve problems on mechanics,
	thermodynamics and electrodynamics.
	Making judgements
	5. Students are expected to develop the ability to
	judge the plausibility of results.
	Communication skills
	6. Further development of a quantitative, technical,
	and scientific terminology to express ideas and
	opinions about physical phenomena.
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	Ability to learn



7.	Development of an analytic attitude enabling the student to divide a problem into sub-tasks which can be solved using previously-acquired knowledge.

### Assessment

#### Formative assessment

Form	Details	ILOs assessed
In-class	Continuously as part of	1-7
exercises	course-accompanying	
	exercises	

#### **Summative assessment**

Form	Details	ILOs
		assessed
Written	Homework	1-7

Form	Details	ILOs assessed
Written	Closed book exam	1-7

# Assessment language Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks

#### **English**

The final score is composed of two parts: one homework (10% of the final mark) and a final written exam (90% of the final mark).

In the homework session, students are required to respond to qualitative questions and problems. The written exam consists in two parts: a first part (problem 1) with a series of qualitative questions based on the understanding of the covered topics, as well as a second part (problems 2-6) consisting of several numerical problems to be solved, which cover aspects of the various topics covered.

#### Judged will be:

- the correctness of the approach and the mathematical steps of the solution, the calculation of numerical results and the correct use of physical quantities and units;
- the correctness of the provided answers and of the presented, as well as the terminology used.

Every problem has the same maximum score of 5. The final score is the sum of the scores associated to each exercise. To pass the exam the final score must be



greater or equal to 18. If the final score is greater than 30, a "with honors" is awarded.
The student can have access to the exam with pen, pencil and a portable calculator. A short list of constants is provided to the students along with the text of the exam.
After specific request from the student, a voluntarily-based oral exam can be performed. It consists of two questions, covering both qualitative questions and numerical exercises. The mark can range from 0 to +3 and it is summed up to the score of the homework session and written exam.

Required readings	Blackboard / lecture slides	
Supplementary readings	<ul> <li>Physics for Scientists and Engineers with Modern Physics, Douglas C. Giancoli, Pearson, 4th edition, 2008.</li> <li>Physics for Scientists and Engineers, Paul A. Tippler, Macmillan, 6th edition, 2007.</li> </ul>	