Zarqa University
Faculty Science
Department: Physics

Course title: Modern Physics

0302262



Instructor: Dr. Ahmad Abuobaid Lecture's time:9:30-11:00, Mo-Wed Semester: First Semester 2017/2018 Office Hours:12-1 (S, Tu, Th)

### **Course description:**

Relativity (kinematics and dynamics), Wavelike properties of particles, Wave properties of waves, Atomic structure, quantum nature of radiation and Introduction to laser physics.

### **Learning Outcomes**

• Understanding of the theory of relativity

• Knowledge of the fundamental aspects of space, time ,mater and energy

- Understanding of particles properties of waves and waves properties of particles
- Understanding of atomic structures and quantum nature of radiation
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#### Aims of the course:

- 1. To understand the theory of relativity
- 2. To understand the physics of light /matter (wavelike properties of particles and waves properties of particles)
- 3. To understand the laser concepts and applications

### **Intended Learning Outcomes: (ILOs)**

### A. Knowledge and Understanding

#### A1. Concepts and Theories:

Theory of relativity, Lorentz transformation, wave behavior of particles and particle's behavior of waves

### A2. Contemporary Trends, Problems and Research:

Gravitational waves, quantum Entanglements

#### A3. Professional Responsibility:

Student can have critical-thinking Skills

#### **B.** Subject-specific skills

#### **B1. Problem solving skills:**

Time dilation, Length contraction, Energy-mass equivalent fundamentals, Light-matter interactions problems and atomic structure analysis.

#### **B2.** Modeling and Design:

Atomic models, Photoelectric effect and Compton scattering

#### **B3.** Application of Methods and Tools:.

Laser and X-ray diffraction.

#### C. Critical-Thinking Skills

### C1. Analytic skills: Assessments

Twin paradox, Energy and Diffraction

#### C2. Strategic Thinking:

Applying relativity and energy concepts in industry (design, measure tools)



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### **C3.** Creative thinking and innovation:

Applying and understanding of the matter /energy concepts and special relativity in astronomy and industry

### D. General and Transferable Skills (other skills relevant to employability and personal development)

#### **D1.** Communication:

Establishing excellent interpersonal communications between the instructor and the students.

# **D2.**Teamwork and Leadership:

- 1- Team work assignments.
- 2- Mutual respect between the student and the instructor.
- 3- Applying educational standard and behavior in professional manner when the students in groups
- 4- Providing technical help for challenged issues related to some problems in modern physics.

### **Course structures:**

| Week  | Credit<br>Hours | ILOs         | Topics                           | Teaching<br>Procedure | Assessment methods           |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1-4   | 3               | A1,B3        | Special theory of relativity     | Lecture, Oral         | Class participation          |
|       |                 |              | (kinematics and dynamics)        | inquiry               | Solving including home work: |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | problems:1,3,5,7,9,11,13     |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | and 43                       |
| 5-6   | 3               | A2,D1 and    | Particles properties of          | Lecturing             | Solving problems             |
|       |                 | D2, B3,C1    | waves                            | discussion            | including homwork:3,         |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | 7,9,13, 25, 43, 45and        |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | 49                           |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | Short-answer questions       |
| 7-8   | 3               | A1,C2,C3, D1 | Wave properties of               | Lecture, Class        | Solving problems:3,          |
|       |                 |              | particles                        | discussion            | 7,9, 17, 19, 27, 39, 43,     |
|       |                 |              |                                  |                       | 45and 49                     |
| 9-10  | 3               | A3,B1,B3,C   | Nuclear atom, Electron orbit     | Lecture-              | Solving problems:5,          |
|       |                 | 2,           | levels and, Bohr atom and Atomic | demonstration         | 11, 19 and 23, 29 and        |
|       |                 |              | spectra                          | Problem solving or    | 31                           |
|       |                 |              |                                  | case studies          |                              |
| 11-12 | 3               | A1,C2,B3D1   | Correspondence principle,        | Lecturing             | Solving problems:35,         |
|       |                 | and D3,A3    | Nuclear motion                   | discussion            | 37 and 41                    |
| 13-14 | 3               |              | Atomic excitation and Laser      | Lecturing             | Review                       |
|       |                 |              |                                  | discussion            |                              |



### **References:**

# A. Main Textbook:

"Concepts of Modern Physics", Arthur Beiser, 6th Edition

# **B.** Supplementary Textbook(s):

- 1- Modern Physics. by Kenneth S. Krane, 3<sup>th</sup> Edition 2012, John Wiley & Sons Inc, Third Edition
- 2- <a href="http://web.pdx.edu/~pmoeck/lectures/Modern%20Physics%20for%20Science%20and%20Engineering%20%28eval%29.pdf">http://web.pdx.edu/~pmoeck/lectures/Modern%20Physics%20for%20Science%20and%20Engineering%20%28eval%29.pdf</a>

# **Assessment Methods:**

| Methods          | Grade | Date |
|------------------|-------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 20    |      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 20    |      |
| Final            | 50    |      |
| Class Activities | 10    |      |

