

Physics, Bachelor of Science

Total Semester Hours: 62 Hours Per Semester: 16-18

Major Academic Plan (MAP) for Catalog Year 2023-2024

The catalog is the final authority on CATC and major requirements; this is intended as a tool for planning purposes. Student course sequencing may vary depending on course offerings and other variables.

| Fall Semester 1 | Spring Semester 1 | Summer 1 ³ |
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| PHYS 231 Introductory Physics I ^{1,F} | PHYS 232 Introductory Physics II S* | |
| MATH 235 Calculus I ^{1*} | PHYS 294 Physics for the Future (2) ^S | Consider study, internship or |
| | MATH 236 Calculus II* | research options –Wheaton In |
| CORE 101: First Year Seminar | | summer program, WIN |
| First Year CATC options- | First Year CATC Options | (HoneyRock), Wheaton in the |
| ■ COMM 101: Oral Comm (2) | | Black Hills, non-major internship, summer research or |
| ENGW 103: First-Year Writing | | other options that provide work |
| Language Core Competency | | experience, build your resume, |
| | | or grow you personally. |
| Fall Semester 2 | Spring Semester 2 | Summer 2 ³ |
| PHYS 334 Computer Modeling (2) ^{F*} | PHYS 331 Spacetime and Quanta S* | |
| MATH 333 Differential Equations* | MATH 245 Linear Algebra* | Consider summer coursework |
| | MATH 237 Calculus III* | |
| BITH 211/ARCH 211: Old Testament | COMMA 101, Oral Comm /2) | |
| Thematic Core | COMM 101: Oral Comm (2) Visual and Performing Arts (2) | |
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| Fall Semester 3 | Spring Semester 3 | Summer 3 ³ |
| PHYS 344 Quantum Mechanics F#* | PHYS Elective (2 or 4) ³ | |
| PHYS 351 Analog Electronics (2) ^{F*#} | PHYS 343 Experimental Physics (2) S, 2* | Consider summer coursework |
| CHEM 231 General Chemistry I | | |
| , | Consider semester abroad – GPS | |
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| | Advanced Integrative Seminar | |
| Advanced Integrative Seminar? | Thematic Core | |
| Visual and Performing Arts (2) | Visual and Performing Arts (2) | |
| Fall Semester 4 | Spring Semester 4 | Summer 4 |
| PHYS 342 Electromagnetic Theory ^{F#*} or | PHYS 341 Analytical Mechanics ^{S*#} | |
| PHYS 345 Data Analysis and | PHYS 494 Senior Capstone (2) ^{s*} | |
| Presentation (2) F#* | | |
| Course Elective | | |
| BITH 315: Christian Thought* | Complete CATC Coursework | |
| Thematic Core | | |

Notes or Special Guidance for Majors:

^{*}Course has prerequisite

^F Fall only course

- PHYS 342 and 345 are offered Fall only, in even years. PHYS 344 and 351 are offered Fall only, in odd years. PHYS 341 is offered Spring only, in odd years. PHYS 359 is offered Spring only, even years. PHYS 343 Experimental Physics is offered Spring every year. All other major courses are offered Fall only or Spring only in the semester indicated. Major courses in the 3rd and 4th years may be taken in any order and in either year.
- -Seven CATC Themes are not covered by major requirements or Visual and Performing Arts but some of these satisfy 2 Themes and Advanced Integrative Seminar satisfies at least one Theme. Students are encouraged to take at least 1 double-tagged Thematic Core courses.

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^S Spring only course

[#]Offered every other year

¹Classes that meet CATC Thematic Core tags: PHYS 231 (SP), MATH 231 or MATH 233 (AAQR)

² PHYS 343^{S,3}* or an approved research or internship experience.

³ PHYS Elective 2-4 hours. Choose from the following: PHYS 311*, PHYS 352^{#*}, PHYS 354^{#*}, PHYS 359*, PHYS 361^{#*}, PHYS 362^{#*}, PHYS 366*, or PHYS 367^{#*}. PHYS 359 Thermodynamics*, internships and research options are strongly recommended for students planning on graduate physics studies.