Syllabus for Computational Physics Lab

PH 366

Course Name: Computational Physics Lab
Course Number: PH 366
Course Credits: 1
Prerequisites: PH 213, This course is expected to be taken alongside the Paradigms.

Course Catalog Description

A project-driven laboratory experience in computational physics. Includes the use of basic mathematical and numerical techniques in computer calculations leading to solutions for typical physical problems. Topics to be covered will coordinate with the Paradigms in Physics course sequence.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students shall be able to:

- Write functions and entire programs in python
- Apply the python programming language to solve scientific problems
- Use the matplotlib and numpy packages
- Model the physical systems studied in the course

Course Content

- Animation with matplotlib
- Balls coupled with springs
- Wave on a string
- Solving the time-dependent Schroedinger equation
- Shooting to find a band structure

Learning resources

There is no required textbook.
Evaluation of Student Performance

Students will be graded on attendance and participation in class.

Statement Regarding Students with Disabilities

Accommodations for students with disabilities are determined and approved by Disability Access Services (DAS). If you, as a student, believe you are eligible for accommodations but have not obtained approval please contact DAS immediately at 541-737-4098 or at http://ds.oregonstate.edu. DAS notifies students and faculty members of approved academic accommodations and coordinates implementation of those accommodations. While not required, students and faculty members are encouraged to discuss details of the implementation of individual accommodations.

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