# **AP® Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism: Syllabus 2**





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SC11	A hands-on laboratory component is required.	2
SC12	Each student should complete a lab notebook or portfolio of lab reports.	2–3





Lecture-Discussion: Monday, Wednesday, Friday. 50 minutes each. Two-hour labs: Tuesdays.

#### **Text**

# Resnick, Halliday, and Krane, *Physics: Vols. I and 2, 5th Ed. New York: John Wiley* [SC8]

AP Physics C is a national calculus-based course in physics. The learning objectives for this course are developed by the College Board. This course is equivalent to the pre-engineering introductory physics course for college and university students. The course emphasizes understanding concepts and skills and using those concepts and formulae to solve problems. Laboratory work is an integral part of this course. Students engage in inquiry-based activities to develop their understanding of the material of the course. Students work together in small groups to solve problems. Students present solutions to the class. [SC9]

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#### Final Grade

Final grade will be determined from the combination of the following scores.

Quizzes 40% Homework 20% Labs 20% Final Exam 20%

**Labs:** A two-hour hands-on laboratory component occurs every week. **[SC10 & SC11]** Teachers grade the lab report on the student's participation in the actual experiment and the written report.

Students must save all the graded lab reports. They will need to present the saved lab reports as a proof of having done these labs when they seek credit for this course in college. [SC12]

Students will perform all nine of the following lab experiments.

- 1. Electrostatics Ordering the given materials in the order of their electronegativity
- 2. Mapping Electric Fields: Plotting equipotential and field lines; 3-D landscape
- 3. Ohm's Law and Internal Resistance of a Battery
- 4. Properties of Series and Parallel Resistive Circuits
- 5. RC Circuit Build the circuit and find the time-constant by curve fitting techniques
- 6. Magnetic Field Lines prediction and plotting for various magnetic configurations
- 7. Ampere's Law Straight wire and circular-current loop
- 8. Magnetic Field Due to a Slinky Use Hall probe
- 9. Determination of BH for the Earth's Magnetic Field

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### Each lab will require:

- The formation of an hypothesis or hypotheses, based on in-class discussion of the presented problem or focus of each experiment
- Design of an experiment, also based on in-class discussion, to test the hypothesis or hypotheses
- Collection of data and observations
- Calculations using the collected data
- Conclusions about how well the hypothesis or hypotheses held up based on the experiment(s)
- Class discussion of variance and error analysis
- Written report [SC12]

# January 8-15

# Electric Charge [SC1]

- Coulomb's Law
- Conductors and Insulators
- Conservation of Charge

### January 16-24

# Electric Field (E) [SC1]

- Due to a Point Charge
- Due to Charge Distribution
  - Discrete
  - Continuous
- Electric Field Lines
- Electric Dipole

### January 25-31

# Gauss' Law [SC2]

- Area Vector
- Electric Flux
- Gauss' Law Applications

### February 1-16

# Electric Potential Energy (UE) and Potential (V)

- Electric Potential Energy
  - Two-Point System

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SC2—The course provides in depth instruction in electricity and magnetism and provides instruction in conductors.





- Many-Particle System
- Electric Potential (V)
  - Point Charge
  - Charge Distribution
  - Discrete
  - Continuous
- Relationship Between V and E
- Electrical Properties of a Charged Conductor

# February 19–28 Capacitance [SC3]

- Capacitor
- Capacitance of
  - Parallel Plate Capacitor
  - Cylindrical Capacitor
  - Spherical Capacitor
- Capacitors in Series and Parallel
- Energy Stored in Capacitor
- Energy Stored in Electric Field
- Capacitors with Dielectric [SC4]

# March 1-9 DC Circuits [SC5]

- Electric Current
- Ohm's Law
- Resistors in Series and Parallel
- Energy Transfer
- Kirchoff's Rules
- RC Circuits

# March 19–26 Magnetic Fields [SC6]

# Magnetic Interactions

- Magnetic Poles or Lack Thereof
- Magnetic Force on a Moving Charge

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SC4—The course provides in depth instruction in electricity and magnetism and provides instruction in dielectrics.

SC5—The course provides in depth instruction in electricity and magnetism and provides instruction in electric circuits.

SC6—The course provides in depth instruction in electricity and magnetism and provides instruction in magnetic fields.





- Circulating Charge
- Magnetic Force on Electric Current
- Electric Motor

### March 27-Apr 3

## Magnetic Field Due to Electric Current [SC7]

- Long Straight Wire
- Circular Loop
- Solenoid
- Parallel Wires
- Biot-Savart Law and Applications
- Ampere's Law and Applications

# April 4-Apr 18

# Faraday's Law of Induction [SC7]

- Electromagnetic Induction
- Lenz's Law Applications
- Electric Generator
- Transformer

# April 19-Apr 30

## Inductance [SC7]

- Self-inductance
- LR-Circuits
- Energy Stored in a Magnetic Field
- LC-Circuit and Electromagnetic Oscillations

### May 1-4

## Maxwell's Equations [SC7]

- The Basic Equations of Electromagnetism
- Displacement Current and Ampere's Law
- Maxwell's Equations

### **Review**

## May 7-11 Final Exams

SC7—The course provides in depth instruction in electricity and magnetism and provides instruction in electromagnetism.

