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Course meets: Mondays and Wednesdays, 14h35 to 15h55 on BBB in CUlearn

Pre-requisites & Precluded Courses:
PHYS 2202, PHYS 2604 and MATH 2004 (or permission of the Physics Department)

Course Description and Objectives:
This course introduces the Lagrange and Hamiltonian formulation of classical mechanics in a series of lectures illustrated by a wide set of applications. Course content and reading advice:
1. Introduction and mathematical preliminaries (3h)
   Chapter 1 "Matrices, Vectors, and Vector Calculus"
2. Newtonian mechanics of a single particle (6h)
   Chapter 2 "Newtonian Mechanics - Single Particle"
3. Lagrangian and Hamiltonian dynamics (6h)
   Chapter 6 "Some Methods in the Calculus of Variations"
4. Hamiltonian dynamics (4.5h)
   Chapter 7 "Hamilton's Principle - Lagrangian and Hamiltonian Dynamics"
5. Revision (1.5h)
   November 2: Revision and Example Mid-term Solution
6. Evaluation (1.5h)
   November 4: Mid-term Examination
7. Applications: Small amplitude oscillations (6h)
   Chapter 3 "Oscillations" & Chapter 12 "Coupled Oscillations"
8. Applications: Rotation of rigid bodies (6h)
   Chapter 11 "Dynamics of Rigid Bodies"
9. Applications: Central force motion (3h)
   Chapter 8 "Central-Force Motion"
10. Evaluation (1.5h + 1.5)
    December 7 and 11 (note: exceptional class date on Friday): Final Examination in two parts


Reading (s)/Textbook (s):
Classical Dynamics of Particles and Systems [Fifth Edition]
S.T. Thornton and J.B. Marion

Course Requirements & Methods of Evaluation:
Grades distribution:
- assignments count for 50%
- midterm examination counts for 20%
- final examination counts for 30%
There will be 10 assignments given for the term. Each is due (through email directly to the TA) a
week later after distribution. You are encouraged to discuss these problems with your colleagues
but the submitted work must be your own. Figuring out the assignment is the best way to learn
the course material and be successful!

University policies

Grade Definition:
In accordance with the Carleton University Undergraduate Calendar Regulations, the letter grades
assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:
A+ = 90-100   B+ = 77-79   C+ = 67-69   D+ = 57-59
A = 85-89   B = 73-76   C = 63-66   D = 53-56
A- = 80-84   B- = 70-76   C- = 60-62   D- = 50-52
F = <50
WDN = Withdrawn from the course
ABS = Student absent from final exam
DEF = Deferred (See above)
FND = (Failed, no Deferred) = student could not pass even with 100% on final exam
Academic Regulations, Accommodations, Plagiarism, etc.:
University rules regarding registration, withdrawal, appealing marks, and most anything else you might
need to know can be found on the university’s website, here:
http://calendar.carleton.ca/undergrad/regulations/academicregulationsoftheuniversity/

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities:
The Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) provides services to students with Learning
Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/mental health disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
(ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), chronic medical conditions, and impairments in mobility,
hearing, and vision. If you have a disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please
contact PMC at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation.
If you are already registered with the PMC, contact your PMC coordinator to send your Letter of
Accommodation at the beginning of the term, and no later than two weeks before the first in-class
scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable).
carleton.ca/pmc

For Religious Obligations:
Students requesting academic accommodations on the basis of religious obligation should make a formal,
written request to their instructors for alternate dates and/or means of satisfying academic requirements.
Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist, but no later than two weeks before the compulsory event.

Accommodation is to be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Instructors will make accommodations in a way that avoids academic disadvantage to the student.

Students or instructors who have questions or want to confirm accommodation eligibility of a religious event or practice may refer to the Equity Services website for a list of holy days and Carleton's Academic Accommodation policies, or may contact an Equity Services Advisor in the Equity Services Department for assistance.


For Pregnancy:
Pregnant students requiring academic accommodations are encouraged to contact an Equity Advisor in Equity Services to complete a letter of accommodation. The student must then make an appointment to discuss her needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first academic event in which it is anticipated the accommodation will be required.


Plagiarism:
Plagiarism is the passing off of someone else's work as your own and is a serious academic offence. For the details of what constitutes plagiarism, the potential penalties and the procedures refer to the section on Instructional Offences in the Undergraduate Calendar.

What are the Penalties for Plagiarism?
A student found to have plagiarized an assignment may be subject to one of several penalties including: expulsion; suspension from all studies at Carleton; suspension from full-time studies; and/or a reprimand; a refusal of permission to continue or to register in a specific degree program; academic probation; award of an FNS, Fail, or an ABS.

What are the Procedures?
All allegations of plagiarism are reported to the Dean of Faculty of Science. Documentation is prepared by instructors and/or departmental chairs.

The Dean writes to the student and the University Ombudsperson about the alleged plagiarism.

The Dean reviews the allegation. If it is not resolved at this level then it is referred to a tribunal appointed by the Senate.

Students are expected to familiarize themselves with and follow the Carleton University Student Academic Integrity Policy (see https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity/). The Policy is strictly enforced and is binding on all students. Plagiarism and cheating – presenting another’s ideas, arguments, words or images as your own, using unauthorized material, misrepresentation, fabricating or misrepresenting research data, unauthorized co-operation or collaboration or completing work for another student – weaken the quality of the graduate degree. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. Students who infringe the Policy may be subject to one of several penalties including: expulsion; suspension from all studies at Carleton; suspension from full-time studies; a refusal of permission to continue or to register in a specific degree program; academic probation; or a grade of Failure in the course.

Assistance for Students:
Academic and Career Development Services: http://carleton.ca/sacds/
Writing Services: http://www.carleton.ca/csas/writing-services/
Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS): https://carleton.ca/csas/group-support/pass/
Math Tutorial Centre: https://carleton.ca/math/math-tutorial-centre/
Science Student Success Centre: https://sssc.carleton.ca/

Important Information:

• Student or professor materials created for this course (including presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the author(s). They are intended for personal use and may not be reproduced or redistributed without prior written consent of the author(s).
• Students must always retain a hard copy of all work that is submitted.
• Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.
• Carleton University is committed to protecting the privacy of those who study or work here (currently and formerly). To that end, Carleton’s Privacy Office seeks to encourage the implementation of the privacy provisions of Ontario’s Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) within the university.
• In accordance with FIPPA, please ensure all communication with staff/faculty is via your Carleton email account. To get your Carleton Email you will need to activate your MyCarletonOne account through Carleton Central. Once you have activated your MyCarletonOne account, log into the MyCarleton Portal.

Important Dates:

https://carleton.ca/registrar/registration/dates-and-deadlines/