



Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP) in Physics

Syllabus

Netaji Subhas Open University

Programme's objective:

Netaji Subhas Open University established in the year 1997 following the State Act (W.B. Act (XIX) of 1997 and Recognised by U.G.C.). From its inception Universities mission was “to reached the unreached” and thus imparting education to the learners those who could not entered into the higher education due to their (i) distance from the higher education institution(s); (ii) poverty; (iii) other-wise engaged in jobs. Most people would probably agree that learning science with understanding is desirable for all the students. Keeping this in mind Netaji Subhas Open University launched its Physics course (EPH) at the Under-graduate level (BDP) from the session 2000-2001. The opening of the graduate course in Physics was the need and demand of the students as well as the study centres.

The main objectives for offering this program are: –

- A. To educate and trained individuals to be an effective managers and decision-makers.
- B. For the understanding that scientific knowledge is the product of a process engaged in by a community of scientists.
- C. To equip individuals with the necessary scientific skills and competencies to enable them to seek jobs and progress in their career.
- D. To enhance the capabilities of the existing workforce in the country and thus contribute to economic as well as scientific development.
- E. To give chances to the willing students those who could not entered into the conventional Universities due to their job and limitation of the seat in the respective subjects.
- F. Understand and apply theoretical and practical knowledge in the appropriate areas and enhance their living condition as well as to save the nature and its surroundings.
- G. Work collaboratively with others (within different sections of the society) in cross-functional teams, and to motivate, lead, and mentor others.



Programme Outcome:

The mission of the Higher Education Institutions is to bring more and more learners in the higher education and thus contribute to economic as well as scientific development. In other way, involvement of more learners in higher education will help the nation to reach its goal. Students completing this program will be able to: (i) “hand on” knowledge of the Physics and provide insight for wise management decisions about how the planet’s resources should be used; (ii) learners focus on "real world" relationships and dependencies among the phenomena and processes will give character to any location or *place*; (iii) summarizing a great deal of knowledge economically by incorporating it in a limited set of general principles; (iv) conduct spatial representation using visual, verbal, digital, and cognitive approaches; and (v) leading to specific, testable predictions.

Detailed Course structure of BDP Physics (EPH):

1. Compulsory Subjects : Foundation Course

(a) Humanities and Social Science (FHS)	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
(b) Science and Technology (FST)	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
(c) Bengali (FBG)	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
(d) English (FEG)	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
	24 Credits/ 300 Marks

2. Elective Subjects : Honours Courses (EPH)

Course 01 : Mathematical Methods in Physics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 02 : Mechanics and General Properties of Matter	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 03 : Harmonic Motion, Waves & Acoustics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 04 : Practical Physics - 1	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
Course 05 : Heat and Thermodynamics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 06 : Optics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 07 : Electrostatics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 08 : Practical Physics - 2	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
Course 09 : Electricity and Magnetism	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 10 : Electronic Circuits and Devices	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 11 : Relativity and Advanced Mechanics	4 Credits/ 50 Marks
Course 12 : Practical Physics - 3	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
Course 13 : Structure of atoms and molecular spectra	2 Credits/ 25 Marks
Course 14 : Nuclear Physics	2 Credits/ 25 Marks
	64 Credits/ 800 Marks

3. Subsidiary Course

One Subsidiary Course	24 Credits/ 300 Marks
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4. Application Oriented Course

Household Chemistry (AOC-03)	8 Credits/ 100 Marks
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5. Environmental Studies (ENVS)

4 Credits/ 50 Marks

Total Credits for the Course = (24+64+24+8+4) = 124 Credits (1550 Marks.)



Evaluation System :

Theoretical :

Internal assessment : 30%

Term-end Examinations : 70%

Practical :

Continuous Counselling for 11 days : 70%

Examination : 30%

Detailed Syllabus of Physics (EPH):

Course : EPH 01 : Mathematical methods in Physics.

Block I : Vectors and Probability

Unit 1 : Vector algebra

Unit 2 : Vector differential equation

Unit 3 : Coordinate systems

Unit 4 : Integration of scalar and vector fields

Unit 5 : Probability

Unit 6 : Certain probability distributions

Unit 7 : Applications of probability in physics

Block II :

Unit 8 : General differential equations of first order

Unit 9 : General differential equations with constant coefficient of second order

Unit 10 : General differential equations of second order with variable coefficients

Unit 11 : Differential equations in physics

Unit 12 : Partial differential equations

Unit 13 : Partial differential equations in physics

Unit 14 : Fourier series

Unit 15 : Fourier series in solution of partial differential equations

Course : EPH 02 : Mechanics and General Properties of matter

Block 1 :

Unit 1 : Motion, speed, velocity and acceleration

Unit 2 : Force and momentum

Unit 3 : Work, power and energy

Unit 4 : Angular motion and non-inertial frames

Unit 5 : Dynamics of rigid bodies

Unit 6 : Central conservative forces

Unit 7 : Behaviour of systems of particles

Unit 8 : Scattering of particles

Block II :

Unit 9 : Gravity and gravitation

Unit 10 : Elasticity

Unit 11 : Beams and springs

Unit 12 : Surface tension of liquids

Unit 13 : Viscosity

Unit 14 : Hydrodynamics

Unit 15 : Production of vacuum and measurement of pressure

Unit 16 : Units and dimensions



Course : EPH 03 : Harmonic Motion, Waves & Acoustics

Block I :

Unit 1 : Simple Harmonic motion

Unit 2 : Superposition of simple harmonic motions

Unit 3 : Damped vibrations

Unit 4 : Forced vibrations and resonance

Unit 5 : Coupled oscillations

Unit 6 : Wave motions

Unit 7 : Superposition of waves

Block II :

Unit 8 : Wave propagation in different media

Unit 9 : Vibrations of string under tension

Unit 10 : Measurement of loudness, intensity and pitch of sound

Unit 11 : Auditorium Acoustics

Unit 12 : Ultrasonics

Unit 13 : Recording and reproduction of sound

Unit 14 : Speech and audibility

Course : EPH 04 : Practical Physics-1

Block : I

Unit 1 : To find Fourier coefficients of different periodic vibrations by graphical method

Unit 2 : Extension of spring and to find out spring constant from vertical oscillations

Unit 3 : To find out modulus of rigidity from torsional oscillation of a wire

Unit 4 : Melde's experiment – production of waves by electrically vibrated tuning fork

Unit 5 : Viscosity of water by flow in a capillary tube

Unit 6 : Jager's method to find out surface tension

Unit 7 : Use of thermocouple to draw cooling curve and to measure melting point

Unit 8 : Bar pendulum – time period and distance from point of suspension

Unit 9 : To determine focal lengths of convex & concave lenses by displacement and combination method

Unit 10 : Lee's method for determination of K of bad conductors

Course : EPH 05 : Heat and Thermodynamics

Block : I

Unit 1 : General concepts in thermodynamics

Unit 2 : Concept of temperature and measurement

Unit 3 : First law of thermodynamics & applications

Unit 4 : Second law of thermodynamics & entropy

Unit 5 : Applications of 2nd law of thermodynamics

Unit 6 : Change of phase

Unit 7 : Radiation

Unit 8 : Production of very low temperatures

Block II :

Unit 9 : Ideal gases

Unit 10 : Transport phenomena

Unit 11 : Brownian motion

Unit 12 : Real gases

Unit 13 : Principles of statistical mechanics

Unit 14 : Partition function

Unit 15 : Particle Statistics



Course : EPH 06 : Optics

Block I : Geometrical optics, Interference and diffraction

Unit 1 : Nature of light

Unit 2 : Geometrical optics–Matrix method

Unit 3 : Seidel aberrations

Unit 4 : Interference of light and coherence

Unit 5 : Multiple beam interference

Unit 6 : Fraunhofer diffraction

Unit 7 : Fresnel's diffraction

Block II : Polarisation and Related aspects

Unit 8 : Polarisation of light

Unit 9 : Optical rotation

Unit 10 : Laser and Hologram

Unit 11 : Optical fibers and electronics

Unit 12 : Scattering of light

Unit 13 : Vision

Course : EPH 07

Block I : Electrostatics

Unit 1 : Units and dimensions of e.m. quantities

Unit 2 : Charge, force and electric field

Unit 3 : Gauss theorem

Unit 4 : Electric potential

Unit 5 : Capacity and capacitors

Block II :

Unit 6 : Insulators and their properties

Unit 7 : Method of images

Unit 8 : Laplace's equations

Course : EPH 08 (Lab) : Practical Physics–2

Unit 1 : To verify Thevenin, Norton and Reciprocity theorem

Unit 2 : Calibration of a Thermister with the help of a thermocouple

Unit 3 : To make a power supply circuit and to study it with the help of a CRO

Unit 4 : To draw input-output characteristics of a common base or common emitter transistor

Unit 5 : Zenor Diode–characteristics in forward and reverse bias

Unit 6 : To find leakage resistance by discharging a capacitor

Unit 7 : To find out temperature coefficient of the material of a wire by Carey- Foster bridge

Unit 8 : To find mutual inductance by Carey-Foster method

Unit 9 : To find wavelength of Na-light by double slit / biprism method

Unit 10 : To find optical rotation of a sugar solution by a polarimeter

Course EPH 09 : Electricity and Magnetism

Block I :

Unit 1 : Steady current

Unit 2 : Effect of current on magnetic field

Unit 3 : Motion of charged particles in electric and magnetic fields

Unit 4 : Magnetic properties of substances

Unit 5 : Electric induction and transient current



Block II :

- Unit 6 : Alternating current
- Unit 7 : Motor and transformer
- Unit 8 : A. C. bridges
- Unit 9 : Thermoelectricity
- Unit 10 : Electromagnetic waves and Maxwell's equations

Course EPH 10 : Electronic circuits and devices

Block I : Electronic circuits and devices

- Unit 1 : Analysis of circuits
- Unit 2 : Electronic control devices
- Unit 3 : Some Semi-conductor devices
- Unit 4 : Rectifiers & power supply
- Unit 5 : Amplifier circuits
- Unit 6 : Oscillatory circuits
- Unit 7 : Some electronic devices

Block II :

- Unit 8 : OPAMP & uses
- Unit 9 : Integrated circuits
- Unit 10 : Linear integrated circuit amplifier
- Unit 11 : Numerical Electronics
- Unit 12 : Boolean Algebra
- Unit 13 : Flip-Flop Counter, Register, Memory, Analog / Digital circuits

Course EPH 11 : Relativity and Advanced Mechanics

Block I :

- Unit 1 : Experimental basis of Relativity
- Unit 2 : Lorentz's transformations
- Unit 3 : Relativistic Kinematics
- Unit 4 : Relativistic Dynamics
- Unit 5 : Lagrange's and Hamiltonian equations
- Unit 6 : Moment of inertia and Top motion
- Unit 7 : Small oscillations

Block II : Quantum Mechanics

- Unit 8 : Particle wave dualism
- Unit 9 : Uncertainty principles
- Unit 10 : Schrodinger equation
- Unit 11 : Applications of Schrodinger equations – Free State
- Unit 12 : Applications of Schrodinger equations – Bound State
- Unit 13 : Hydrogen Atom



Course : EPH 12 (Lab) : Practical Physics–3

Unit 1 : To draw $\tan \theta$, $\frac{1}{L}$ graphs and find an unknown wavelength by a prism Spectrometer

Unit 2 : To draw : $\sin \theta$ graph with the help of a diffraction grating and find wavelengths

Unit 3 : To draw the hysteresis cycle of a ferro-magnetic material and calculate hysteresis loss

Unit 4 : To study series and parallel resonances and change of current with frequency

Unit 5 : Use of an OPAMP as adder, subtractor, inverting and non-inverting amplifier

Course EPH 13 : Structure of Atoms, Molecular Spectra and Solid State Physics

Block I : Structure of Atoms and Molecular spectra

Unit 1 : Electron, Cathode rays, Photoelectric effect, Thermal electrons

Unit 2 : Positive rays and mass spectrometer

Unit 3 : Atomic model and Bohr's theory

Unit 4 : Electron spin and vector model

Unit 5 : Alkali spectra and periodic table

Unit 6 : Zeeman & Stark effects

Unit 7 : Molecular spectra and Raman scattering

Unit 8 : Production of x-rays, spectra and properties

Block II : Solid State Physics

Unit 9 : Crystal structure and uses of x-rays in crystallography

Unit 10 : Bonds in crystals

Unit 11 : Lattice vibrations

Unit-12 : Specific heat of crystalline solids

Unit 13 : Free electron theory

Unit 14 : Band theory of solids

Unit 15 : Magnetic properties of materials

Unit 16 : Superconductivity

Course : EPH 14 : Nuclear Physics

Block I :

Unit 1 : General properties of nucleus

Unit 2 : Nuclear models

Unit 3 : Radioactivity

Unit 4 : Alpha-rays

Unit 5 : Beta-rays

Unit 6 : Gamma-rays

Block II :

Unit 7 : Neutron

Unit 8 : Nuclear Reactions

Unit 9 : Nuclear fission and fusion

Unit 10 : Detection and measurement of nuclear radiations

Unit 11 : Particle accelerators

Unit 12 : Fundamental particles