PHYSICS

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General Description

Physics is the most fundamental science, providing a foundation for understanding in nearly all fields of science and technology. In a broad sense, physics is concerned with the study of energy, space, matter, the interactions between matter, and the laws that govern these interactions. More specifically, physicists study mechanics, heat, light, electric and magnetic fields, gravitation, relativity, atomic and nuclear physics, and condensed-matter physics.

Career Options

A few career options in physics require an associate degree, some require a bachelor's degree, and most require a graduate-level degree: research assistant, laboratory technician, high school teacher, college or university professor, technical writer, and research or applied physicist in a broad ranges of fields including acoustics, atmospheric physics, astrophysics, astronomy, atomic and molecular physics, electricity and magnetism, electronic instrumentation, energy conservation, geophysics, health physics, mechanics, heat or light physics, medical imaging, nuclear medicine, solar energy, nuclear physics, engineering, and scientific computing. Physicists typically work at colleges and universities, at national laboratories and other government agencies, and in a wide variety of commercial industries.

Degree/Certificate Options

Major Code

01685

Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)

Physics (SB 1440) (http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/physics/physics-ast/)

Associate in Science Degree:

Transfer Preparation

Physics (http://catalog.swccd.edu/ 01680 associate-degree-certificate-programs/physics/physics-as/)

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

Websites for physics majors:

SDSU: http://physics.sdsu.edu/ UCSD: http://physics.ucsd.edu/

CSU, San Marcos: http://physics.csusm.edu/

Articulation: http://assist.org

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