**Physics Course Inventory Change**

Prerequisite Change:

For the 2014-16 catalog, the Department of Physics proposes updating all physics course prerequisites to require a C- or better.

Justification:

This proposal will bring physics courses in line with the college-wide catalog requirement stipulating that math and science courses counted toward degree requirements are completed with grades of C- or better. Requiring C- or better in each course will ensure that students do not reach their graduating semesters with D grades in their required courses. This change to a minimum C- grade in prerequisites may also help redirect students who are unsuccessful in physics early on, giving them an opportunity to identify more suitable majors closer to the beginning of their college careers.