Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Physics
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University Core Curriculum

First-Year Signature Course: UGS 302 or 303 ___

English: RHE 306 _____

American & Texas Government: 6 hrs from approved core list

American History: 6 hrs from approved core list

____ + _____

Social and Behavioral Science: 3 hrs from approved core list

Mathematics: 3 hrs from approved core list: ______ [M 408N or 408C]

Science and Technology Part I: 6 hrs in a single subject from approved core list: _____ + _____ [CH 301 + CH 302]

Science and Technology Part II: 3 hrs from a subject other than the one chosen for Part I from approved core list: ______ [PHY 301]

Visual & Performing Arts: 3 hrs from approved core list _____

Note that no single course may be used to fulfill two core areas simultaneously. In most cases, students may satisfy both a core requirement and a major requirement with a single course. Plan II students may have additional options for some core requirements.

Additional General Education Requirement

Substantial Writing Components and/or Writing Flags (including a course that is not used to meet a core requirement and a course that is upper-division): _____ + _____

Substantial Writing Components and Writing Flags may satisfy other specific degree requirements.

Foreign Language: 4 semesters in a single language or attainment of 4th semester foreign language proficiency: _____ + _____ + _____ + _____

Social Science: 3 hrs from a single field of study different than the course used for the Social & Behavior Science core requirement, chosen from list maintained by College of Liberal Arts: _____

Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought: 3 hrs chosen from a list maintained by the College of Liberal Arts: _____

Natural Science: 6 hours, in addition to courses counted toward the core curriculum (courses taken for the major will fulfill this requirement).

Introductory Mathematics and Science, with Grades of C- or Better

Mathematics: M 408C _____ + M 408D _____
(or equivalent calculus sequence)

Chemistry: CH 301 or 301H _____ + CH 302 or 302H _____ + CH 204 _____

Physics: PHY 301 _____ + PHY 101L _____ + PHY 316 _____ + PHY 116L _____

Although not listed as part of the degree requirements, these courses, or an equivalent physics sequence approved by the Undergraduate Advisor, are prerequisites for physics courses required in the major

Major Requirements in Physics with grades of C- or better

Lower-Division Physics: PHY 315 _____ + PHY 115L _____

Upper-Division Physics: PHY 355 _____ + PHY 336K _____ + PHY 352K _____ + PHY 353L _____

6 additional hours of upper-division physics: PHY _____ + PHY _____

Minor Requirements with grades of C- or better

First Minor: 12 semester hours in mathematics (at least 6 must be upper-division) including 3 semester hours of differential equations:

M 427K _____ + M _____ + M _____ + M _____

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Second Minor: 6 semester hours (at least 3 upper-division) from one of the following areas: Biology, Chemistry, Geological Sciences, Philosophy, Psychology or courses offered in the College of Education or the College of Engineering: _____ + _____

Note: Courses used to fulfill specific degree requirements in the core curriculum and general education requirements – other than the writing flags – may not be used to fulfill this requirement

Enough Additional Elective Hours to Reach a Total of 120 Hours (including 36 Upper-division Hours)

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Minimum Grade Point Average Requirements

2.0 grade point average in all mathematics and science courses required by degree*: _____
2.0 grade point average in all courses taken at the University of Texas at Austin: _____

* Required Mathematics and Science courses may include: ACF, AST, BIO, CH, CS, EVS, GEO, HDF, HE, M, NSC, NTR, PHY, SSC, TXA, and UTS-Natural Sciences.

Total Hours and Residency Requirements

120 semester hours: _____ 60 hours in residence: _____
36 upper-division hours: _____ 18 hours of the major, including 6 upper-division, in residence: _____
Minimum 2.0 UT grade point average: _____ 24 of the last 30 hours in residence: _____

No more than 16 hours of electives may be taken Pass/Fail. No more than 42 hours in a single field of study may be counted toward the degree. Students may earn only one BA degree, though they may earn multiple majors. Students completing an additional degree must complete 24 hours in addition to those counted toward the bachelor’s degree that requires the higher number of credit hours.

Additional Information

The following courses will not count toward this degree: M 301, M 316K, M 316L, KIN 119 or PED one-hour activity courses. No more than 12 semester hours of bible coursework may be counted toward the degree. See catalog for restrictions about using ROTC coursework.

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