

**The University of Texas at Austin**  
**Bachelor of Arts, Physics, 120 Hours**  
**2024-2026 Catalog Expires Summer 2032**

**Four-year Degree Suggestion (for planning purposes only)**

Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor

**FIRST YEAR**

**Fall:**

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Core/Major: M 408C ( <i>Mathematics 1</i> ) ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> )                                   | 4 hours           |
| Core: UGS 302 ( <i>Writing Flag</i> )/303 ( <i>Institutionally Designated Option 1</i> ) ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) | 3 hours           |
| Core: RHE 306 ( <i>Communication I</i> )   | 3 hours           |
| General Ed: Foreign Language   | 5-6 hours         |
|  | Total 15-16 hours |

**Spring:**

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Major: M 408D   | 4 hours           |
| Core/Major: PHY 301 ( <i>Science &amp; Tech – Natural Sciences 1</i> ) ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> ) | 3 hours           |
| Major: PHY 101L   | 1 hour            |
| Core: VAPA ( <i>Visual &amp; Performing Arts I</i> ) ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )                              | 3 hours           |
| General Ed: Foreign Language  | 5-6 hours         |
|   | Total 16-17 hours |

**Summer:**

Opportunities:

- Study Abroad
- Internship
- Course(s)

**SECOND YEAR**

**Fall:**

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|---|-------------------|
| Major: M 427J ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> )  | 4 hours           |
| Core/Major: PHY 316 ( <i>Science &amp; Tech – Natural Sciences 1</i> ) ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> ) | 3 hours           |
| Major: PHY 116L   | 1 hour            |
| Core: U.S. History ( <i>History I</i> ) ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )   | 3 hours           |
| General Ed: Foreign Language ( <i>if needed</i> ) <sup>1</sup>  | 3-6 hours         |
| Elective: ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) <sup>2</sup>  | 3 hours           |
|   | Total 14-17 hours |

**Spring:**

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Major: M 427L   | 4 hours           |
| Major: PHY 315 ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> )               | 3 hours           |
| Major: PHY 115L   | 1 hour            |
| Core: U.S. History ( <i>History I</i> ) ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) | 3 hours           |
| General Ed: Foreign Language ( <i>if needed</i> )                   | 3-6 hours         |
| Elective: ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )                               | 3 hours           |
|   | Total 14-17 hours |

**Summer:**

Opportunities:

- Study Abroad
- Internship
- Course(s)

1 Intermediate level of competency is required; number of semesters & credit hours varies by language

2 Elective may be needed if additional foreign language course is not needed to reach the intermediate level of competency

## THIRD YEAR

### Fall:

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|--|----------------|
| Major: PHY 355   | 3 hours        |
| Core: CH 301 ( <i>Science &amp; Tech – Natural Sciences 1</i> ) ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> ) | 3 hours        |
| Major: CH 104M   | 1 hour         |
| Core: GOV 310L ( <i>Government 1</i> )   | 3 hours        |
| General Ed: CEHET Course ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )   | 3 hours        |
| Elective: ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )  | 3 hours        |
|  | Total 16 hours |

### Spring:

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|--|----------------|
| Major: PHY 336K                                      | 3 hours        |
| Major: CH 302 ( <i>Quantitative Reasoning Flag</i> ) | 3 hours        |
| Major: CH 104N                                       | 1 hour         |
| Major: Upper Division Course <sup>3</sup>            | 3 hours        |
| Core: GOV 312L ( <i>Government 1</i> )               | 3 hours        |
| Elective: Upper Division ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) | 3 hours        |
|  | Total 16 hours |

### Summer:

Opportunities:

- Study Abroad
- Internship
- Course(s)

## FOURTH YEAR

### Fall:

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|--|----------------|
| Major: PHY 353L ( <i>Writing Flag</i> )                                | 3 hours        |
| Major: Upper Division Physics <sup>4</sup>                             | 3 hours        |
| Core: Soc & Behav Sci ( <i>Social &amp; Behavioral Science 1</i> )     | 3 hours        |
| Core: E 316L/M/N/P ( <i>Humanities I</i> ) ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) | 3 hours        |
| Elective: ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )                                  | 3 hours        |
|  | Total 15 hours |

### Spring:

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Major: PHY 352K   | 3 hours        |
| Major: Upper Division Course                                      | 3 hours        |
| General Ed: Additional Social Science ( <i>May carry a flag</i> ) | 3 hours        |
| Elective: Upper Division ( <i>May carry a flag</i> )              | 3 hours        |
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|   | Total 15 hours |

### Summer:

Opportunities:

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- Final Course(s)

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3 See Undergraduate Catalog and consult advisor for more specific information

4 See Course Schedule for Upper Division Physics course options

## LEGEND

### Terms:

Major: As published in the Undergraduate Catalog

General Education: As published in the Undergraduate Catalog

Elective: Additional hours needed to reach the degree plan total required hours

Core: Required, part of the 42hour core curriculum

CEHET: Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought; 3 hrs from an approved list maintained by the College of Liberal Arts