PHYSICS 193H - Honors Physics I - Mechanics

Spring 2012

General Information

Course Description: Classical Mechanics and Waves

Pre-requisites: MTH133 or MTH153H or LB119 or concurrently

Lecturer: Prof. Bernard Pope,

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Lectures: 11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m., MWF, Room 1415 BPS

Office Hours: Mondays 1:00 - 3:00 pm or by appointment

Textbook: *Physics for Scientists and Engineers*,

P. Fishbane, S. Gasiorowicz, S. Thornton, 3rd edition.

Course Info: Course information will be posted at:-

http://www.pa.msu.edu/courses/2012spring/PHY193H/.

Homework: There will be a weekly homework assignment using

MSU's individualized LON-CAPA system

(https://loncapa.msu.edu). Homework will be due on Wednesdays (for the previous week's assigned material).

Homework help will be available in the Charles J.

Strosacker Center (1248 BPS).

There is also a discussion forum within the LON-CAPA system where students can post and answer questions.

Reading: Students are expected to read the chapters listed in the

course schedule <u>prior</u> to each lecture. In-class quizzes will often require an understanding of the contents of the chapter. A re-reading of the chapter <u>after</u> the lecture is

recommended.

Quizzes: There will be unannounced quizzes during lectures, using

the iClicker system. Completing the in-class clicker questions can earn you up to 5% extra credit. You will get 2 points for a correct answer and 1 point for an incorrect answer. A total of 80% of the total clicker points will give you the full 5% extra credit. You cannot

get more than 5% extra credit.

Exams: There will be three Midterm exams and one Final exam.

Grades: The final grades will be calculated from the homework

assignments (25%), the three midterms (15% each) and

the final exam (30%).

All exams are closed book. All absences from midterm exams require a written excuse from your doctor, Dean, etc. The MSU Code of Teaching Responsibilities states that any student not taking the Final Exam will not be permitted to pass the course.