

Dear PHY231 Students:

The Official Course Website: <http://www.pa.msu.edu/courses/phy231>

The Syllabus can be accessed on the website. Read it carefully! Register for **MasteringPhysics** Instructions for Registering for the **MasteringPhysics** homework system are on the website. Course ID is BROMBERG07439

The Seat Assignments can be accessed on the website. Sit ONLY in your assigned seat.

There will be sign-up sheets for seat assignment changes (with a good reason) and special needs, as well as section change requests. A hard copy of the syllabus will be available in class tomorrow. Note after the first class you must attend only the section in which you are registered, and sit ONLY in your assigned seat.

You are required to obtain the "I-clicker" unit. It is used for in-class quiz (i-clicker) questions, which is the reason for the assigned seating. Seating will be reassigned after each Midterm on a random basis.

If you took Physics in high school, you start with an advantage but that can disappear quickly if you are not keeping up with the work. If you have never taken a Physics class before, it will take you some time to become familiar with the terminology and mathematics. There is no short cut! Get the book and do the Mastering Physics homework.

Doing the Reading and Mastering Physics HW completely and on time (see Syllabus) will be essential if you expect to keep up with the material.

In each chapter, pay close attention to the worked out Examples, and the "Got It?" questions; answers are at the back of each chapter. You will likely do very well on any quiz or exam, if you can do (with the solution covered) all the examples and "Got It?" questions in a chapter.

I look forward to meeting you, and to help you achieve your goals.

Sincerely yours,

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