

FIRST YEAR PHYSICS TEACHING UNIT
MID-SESSION TESTS

**MID SESSION TESTS [Test 1] for
All First Year Physics Courses will be held on
Saturday, 29th August 2009**

Duration: 1.5 hours

The examination format is multiple-choice.

Locations will be posted on

First Year Physics website under Exam Schedule:

http://www.phys.unsw.edu.au/COURSES/FIRST_YEAR/exam_schedule.html

& the notice boards outside First Year Office (Room LG03)

2 weeks before the tests

- ❑ **IT IS ENTIRELY YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ASCERTAIN THESE DETAILS FROM THE FIRST YEAR PHYSICS WEBSITE/NOTICE BOARDS.**
- ❑ **No information regarding time and location will be given over the telephone.**
- ❑ You should note that:
 1. If you cannot attend a mid-session test for religious reasons or any other significant reason please consult the First Year Teaching Unit ***before Friday 21st August 2009.***
 2. The Alternate Test 1R will be held on Friday 18th September (the venue will be advertised later). – more information see '**Additional Assessment**' at http://www.phys.unsw.edu.au/COURSES/FIRST_YEAR/additional_assessment.html.

YOUR UNSW STUDENT I.D. CARD

You will not be permitted to sit a test if you do not have your UNSW photo student I.D. card with you.

CALCULATORS

YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE YOUR OWN CALCULATOR.

See next page for Calculators approved for use in UNSW examinations

(You will NOT be supplied with a calculator for use during tests.)

YOU CAN TAKE INTO THE EXAMINATION ROOM only

- ⌚ calculator,
- ⌚ pencil and a rubber
- ⌚ pens, drawing instruments &
- ⌚ your UNSW student I.D. card

NO OTHER ITEMS WILL BE PERMITTED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE EXAMINATION ROOM.

In particular you *may NOT bring in:*

- ⌚ a mobile phone or any other communication device
- ⌚ a “walkman style” radio/cassette player
- ⌚ a bag or bags
- ⌚ paper, books, dictionaries, etc.

**Any of these that you do bring with you
MUST BE LEFT OUTSIDE THE EXAMINATION ROOM.**

**Note that neither the First Year Teaching Unit, nor the University,
will accept responsibility
for any material left outside the examination room.**

Calculators approved for use in UNSW examinations

CANNON	F720, F720i
CASIO	fx82a, fx-82AU PLUS, fx-82MS, fx-82NASER, fx-82TL, fx-83WA, fx-85MS, fx-85WA, fx-95MS, fx-100AU, fx-100S, fx-115WA, fx-350MS, fx-350TL, fx-570AD, fx-580, fx-901, fx-911W, fx-911Z, fx-992S
CITIZEN	SR-135, SR-260
HEWLETT PACKARD	HP10S, HP8S
OFFICE ONE	720, 3000
RSB	FB350MS
SHARP	EL-509R, EL-509V, EL-520VA, EL-520WG, EL-W531HA, EL-531LH, EL-531RH, EL-531VH, EL-531WH
TEXET	Albert 2 (YX890), Albert 3 (TX895), Albert 5 (TX842)

Eligibility criteria for approval of calculators for use in UNSW examinations

Calculators must have all the following features:

- hand-held
- internally powered
- non-programmable
- numeric keypad
- silent operation

Calculators must **not** have any of the following features:

- alpha-numeric keypad
- data banks
- dictionaries
- language translators
- retrieval or manipulation of text
- graphic or word display
- sound
- pocket organisers
- external communications

Calculators should **not** be capable of:

- storing alphanumeric information (calculators that can store intermediate numeric calculations are permitted)
- graphical display of symbolically entered functions
- performing symbolic manipulation (such as factorisation, solving equations, integration or differentiation)
- performing hard-wired numerical processes (such as solving equations and numerical integration)

ATTENDING

- You should endeavour to be in attendance at the given location well before the "doors open" time
If you travel by public transport remember that on Saturdays different schedules operate, there are no express buses from Central Railway and that the buses may be full. So consult the weekend timetables and leave home early enough to make all the right connections.
- You will be admitted to the room from the time listed as "doors open".
 1. As indicated on page 2, no bags, books, paper, etc, etc. may be taken into the room. If you do bring such material along with you on the day it must be left outside the examination room.
You should note that neither the First Year Teaching Unit, nor the University, will accept responsibility for any material left outside the examination room.
Hence we urge very strongly that you do not bring such items with you.
 2. You may take in only calculator, pens, pencils and drawing instruments. Note that a pencil is essential as all answers must be filled in the response oval with a pencil (would be wise to have a spare pencil and a rubber!)
- Once you are inside the room *normal University Examination rules will apply* (see below).

PROCEDURES

- You should take your seat in the room following the instructions given by the supervisor and the invigilators.
- When you are seated you will find on your desk:
 - (a) *an attendance confirmation (front page of the test paper) AND a computer-marked **Generalised Answer Sheet***. [you may complete this as soon as you sit down, **remember - Generalised Answer Sheet must be completed in pencil**];
 - (b) *your test paper placed face down.*

You must NOT turn this test paper over, nor write anything on it whatsoever until you are instructed to do so.

- Immediately you are seated you must place your UNSW student I.D. card, "photo" side up on your desk.
Your card must remain on your desk throughout the test, and be visible at all times.
- Tests are of one and a half hour duration.
 - ◆ **You will not be permitted to leave during that time.** So if you finish early **you must remain seated in your place until the end of the allocated time.**
 - ◆ You will not be admitted later than thirty (30) minutes past the "test commences" time.
- All answers must be filled in the response oval **with a pencil** in the Generalised Answer Sheet.

- If you have any query, etc. raise your hand and keep it raised until one of the invigilators attends to you.
- A "**10 minutes to go**" warning will be given.
- At the end of the allocated time a "**cease writing**" command will be given.
You must cease writing immediately, place your pencil on the table, and place the Generalised Answer Sheet inside the test paper. Remember that if you do not heed this command disciplinary action may be taken against you.
 You must remain seated in your placed until instructed to leave by the supervisor.

FEEDBACK

- The mark you obtain will NOT be displayed on these notice boards – to check your mark, you need to log in to WebCt Vista:
<http://vista.elearning.unsw.edu.au/webct/entryPageIns.dowebct> using id number (preceded by z) with Unipin as password. However it will take at least two weeks for all marking and processing to be completed. So do not expect marks to be displayed until at least two weeks after a test.
- Since each test forms part of your final assessment, your test papers will not be returned to you. If you have real concerns about your result discuss the matter with the First Year Office.

RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF UNSW EXAMINATIONS

1. Candidates are required to obey any instruction given by an examination supervisor for the proper conduct of the examination.
2. Candidates are required to be in their place in the examination room not less than fifteen minutes before the time for commencement.
3. No bags, mobile telephones or other communications equipment, writing paper, blotting paper, manuscript or book, other than a specified aid, is to be brought into the examination room.
4. Candidates shall not be admitted to an examination after thirty minutes from the time of commencement of the examination.
5. Candidates are required to display their UNSW Student Identification Card on their desk in the examination rooms for the duration of the exam. Students without an Identity Card will be required to provide other appropriate identification and demonstrate their eligibility to sit for the examination.
6. Candidates shall not be permitted to leave the examination room.
7. Candidates shall not be re-admitted to the examination room after they have left it unless, during the full period of their absence, they have been under approved supervision.
8. Candidates shall not by any improper means obtain, or endeavour to obtain, assistance in their work, give, or endeavour to give, assistance to any other candidate, or commit any breach of good order.
9. All answers must be in English unless otherwise stated. Foreign students *who have the written approval of the Registrar* may use standard linguistic dictionaries.
10. Neither smoking nor eating is permitted during the course of examinations.

11. A candidate who commits any infringement of the rules governing examinations is liable to disqualification at the particular examination, to immediate expulsion from the examination room, and to such further penalty as may be determined in accordance with the By-Laws.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Students and staff are, of course, governed by the normal laws which regulate our everyday lives. But in addition the University has its own code of rules and conduct, and can impose heavy penalties on students who breach them. Penalties range from failure in a subject, loss of privileges, fines, payment of compensation, and suspension, to exclusion from study for a certain period or even permanent expulsion from the University.

It is important to realise, however, that misconduct within the University covers a much wider field than simply behaviour which is offensive or unruly, or which may cause damage to other people or property. Misconduct which may lead to a student being disciplined within the University includes anything regarded as **academic misconduct according to current academic usage**, as well as any conduct which impairs the reasonable freedom of other persons to pursue their studies or research or to participate in University life.

It is most important that students realise just how broad the definition of academic misconduct may be. It certainly covers practices such as cheating or copying or using another person's work. Sometimes, however, practices which may have been acceptable at school are considered to be misconduct according to current academic usage within a University. For example academic misconduct can occur where you fail to acknowledge adequately the use you have made of ideas or material from other sources (see myUNSW Student information).

The following are some of the actions which have resulted in students being found guilty of academic misconduct in recent years:

- impersonation in examinations;
- taking of unauthorised materials into an examination;
- submitting work for assessment knowing it to be the work of another person;
- improperly obtaining prior knowledge of an examination paper and using that knowledge in the examination;
- failing to acknowledge the source of material in an assignment.

Students found guilty of academic misconduct are usually excluded from the University for two years. Because of the circumstances in individual cases, the period of exclusion can range from one session to permanent exclusion from the University.

ON-LINE INFORMATION

- UNSW Student Information at <https://my.unsw.edu.au/>
- Physics Student Guide at www.phys.unsw.edu.au, follow 'First Year'