Science Division Course Outcomes Assessment SP 17

Course Title: PHY 204 – Principles of Physics 2, 4 credits

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Expected Learning Outcomes:

- 1. Use mathematical models as a medium for quantitative reasoning and describing physical reality.
- 2. Use graphical models to analyze laboratory data.
- 3. Apply the classical conservation laws as a basis of deriving and understanding physics principles.
- 4. Describe physics concepts verbally, graphically, and mathematically
- 5. Solve problems individually and collaboratively
- 6. Use software to analyze physics experiments
- 7. Access, process, analyze and synthesize scientific information.

Assessment (How do or will students demonstrate achievement of each outcome?)

four lecture exams, two laboratory exams, and lab reports

Validation (What methods have you used or will you use to validate your assessment?)

Students passing with a 75% or better

Results (What do your assessment data show? If you have not yet assessed student achievement of your learning outcomes, when is assessment planned?

A large proportion of the students are achieving success in this course. A common relationship is that students who do not complete assigned problems and/or lab reports make up a disproportionately large portion of the students who begin the course and either do not complete the course or do not achieve success by the end of the semester.

Follow-up (How have you used or how will you use the data to improve student learning?)

I look for weaknesses in the students' performance on the individual problems on each exam and in their lab reports. Adjustments are where deemed appropriate.

Budget Justification (What resources are necessary to improve student learning?)

No additional resources needed.

Course: PHY 204 **SLOA Data** Faculty Team: P. Jozik SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 # Active 7 10 14 20 26 20 20 24 students %W 0 10% 7% 0 4% 0 5% 0 *% walk-away 0 0 0 15% 4% 10% 0 8% Fs No final exam/grade = F % Success 100 70 86 60% 88% 80% 90% 88% (A,B,C)Mean Common 89% 84% 85% 85% 87% 83% 90% 89% Lab Exam Score 85% 86% 82% 87% 89% 86% 91% 95% Median Score Common Final Exam 70% 70% 78% 73% 74% 78% 76% 71% Score 74% 74% 80% 77% 72% 85% 77% 71% Median Score Mean course 3.14 2.50 2.77 2.15 2.68 2.55 2.85 2.56 grade Weakest **Content Areas**

^{*%} Walk-away Fs = Did not take the final exam and received a grade of F.