## Science Division Course Outcomes Assessment SP 17

Course Title: PHY 205 – Principles of Physics 3, 4 credits

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## **Expected Learning Outcomes:**

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

**Assessment** (How do or will students demonstrate achievement of each outcome?) two lecture exams and assignments

**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 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 assignments. Adjustments are where deemed appropriate.

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

No additional resources needed.

Faculty Team: P. Jozik Course: PHY 205 **SLOA Data** SP SP SP SP SP SP SP FA FA SP 2010 2011 2012 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2016 2017 # Active 9 9 8 10 1 6 17 1 11 11 students %W 10% 0 0 5% 0 6% 0 0 12% 33% \*% walkaway Fs 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 No final exam/grade  $= \mathbf{F}$ % Success 83% 67% 90% 100% 83% 76% 78% 100% 100% 91% (A,B,C)Mean Common \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* \*\* Lab Exam Score Common Final 84% 76% 82% 80% 69% 75% 85% 78% 77% Median Exam Score 71% 88% 74% 82% 84% 69% 77% 86% 78% 78% Median Score Mean course 3.17 2.78 3.00 2.50 2.38 3.00 2.64 2.83 2.44 3.18 grade Weakest Content Areas

<sup>\*%</sup> Walk-away Fs = Did not take the final exam and received a grade of F.

<sup>\*\*</sup> PHY-205 is not a laboratory course.