## Physics

Program: Life Sciences
Program Code:
LF_LFPH
Academic Area:
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
Type:
Associate in Science
CIP Code:
40.0801

## Program Statement

This program is designed for students who plan to transfer to a four-year institution and major in Physics or a related field. The goal is to provide students with a solid foundation in the knowledge and skills that they will need to succeed at a four-year institution.

## Program Information

- This program is designed to prepare students who plan to transfer to a four-year institution and major in Physics or a related field.
- Students will be introduced to each of the four major branches of physics: mechanics, electromagnetism, thermodynamics, and modern physics. This gives students a strong foundation on which to build the last two years of a Physics major.
- All General Education requirements will be met.


## After Bristol

- Transfer to a four-year institution and finish the last two years of a major related to Physics; these include Physics, Astrophysics, Applied Physics, Mathematics, or Engineering, among others. Visit Transfer Services or contact your advisor for more information.
- Physics majors can go on to teach or do research within the field of physics, and can also work as a data analyst, software developer, materials scientist, patent agent, health physicist, science writer, and more. Some physics majors even end up working in finance or government.
- Bristol participates in the statewide MassTransfer program and has developed many program-to-program transfer articulation agreements which guarantee admission and credit transfer. For a complete listing of eligible MassTransfer programs, current Bristol articulation agreements, and to complete an A2B Program Search, visit the Transfer Services website to review which credits will be transferred and applied to your degree.

NOTE: Please note that if you are completing this degree to benefit from MassTransfer by transferring to a UMass Campus or State University with your associate degree, you must complete one additional Behavioral and Social Science elective (3 credits) and select a Behavioral/Social Science elective within the Social/Ethical Elective requirement).

## Degree Requirements

## General Courses

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| COM 104 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | 3 |
| CSS 101 | College Success Seminar | 1 |
| ENG 101 | Composition I: College Writing | 3 |
| ENG 102 | Composition II: Writing about Literature | 3 |
|  | HST 113 or HST 114 | 3 |
| SCI 117 | History and Philosophy of Science | 3 |

## Elective Courses

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Social/Ethical Elective | 3 |
|  | Information Literacy Elective | $3-4$ |

## Program Courses

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MTH 214 | Calculus I | 4 |
| MTH 215 | Calculus II | 4 |
| MTH 253 | Calculus III | 4 |
| MTH 254 | Ordinary Differential Equations | 3 |
|  | Technical or General Physics I \& II | 8 |

## Program Electives

Choose four of the following:

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| AST 211 | Introduction to Astrophysics | 4 |
| AST 212 | Introduction to Astrophysics II | 4 |
| BIO 121 | Fundamentals of Biological Science I | 4 |
| BIO 122 | Fundamentals of Biological Science II | 4 |
| CHM 113 | Fundamentals of Chemistry I | 4 |
| CHM 114 | Fundamentals of Chemistry II | 4 |
|  | EGR 231 and EGR 233 | 4 |
|  | EGR 232 and EGR 234 | 4 |
| EGR 255 | EGR 251 and EGR 253 | 4 |
| PHY 120 | Thermodynamics | 3 |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 1

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| COM 104 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | 3 |
| CSS 101 | College Success Seminar | 1 |
| ENG 101 | Composition I: College Writing | 3 |
| MTH 214 | Calculus I | 4 |
| SCI 117 | History and Philosophy of Science | 3 |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 2

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ENG 102 | Composition II: Writing about Literature | 3 |
|  | HST 113 or HST 114 | 3 |
| MTH 215 | Calculus II | 4 |
|  | PHY 101 or PHY 211 | 4 |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 3

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MTH 253 | Calculus III | 4 |
|  | PHY 102 or PHY 212 | 4 |
|  | Program Elective | 3 |
|  | Information Literacy Elective | $3-4$ |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 4

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MTH 254 | Ordinary Differential Equations | 3 |
|  | Social/Ethical Elective | 3 |
|  | Program Elective | 3 |
|  | Program Elective | 3 |
|  | Program Elective | 3 |
| Total credits: | $\mathbf{6 0 - 6 2}$ |  |

## Category Descriptions

## HST 113 or HST 114

Credits: 3
Choose one of the following:

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| HST 113 | United States History to 1877 | 3 |
| HST 114 | United States History from 1877 | 3 |

## Social/Ethical Elective

## Credits: 3

Choose one of the following:

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| GVT 111 | U.S. Government | 3 |
| GVT 112 | Comparative Government | 3 |
| GVT 251 | State and Local Government | 3 |
| PHL 101 | Introduction to Philosophy | 3 |
| PHL 152 | Ethics: Making Ethical Decisions in a Modern World | 3 |
| SOC 101 | Principles of Sociology | 3 |

## Information Literacy Elective

Credits: 3-4
Choose one of the following:

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CAD 101 | Computer Aided Drafting | 3 |
| CIS 111 | Introduction to Business Information Systems | 3 |
| CIS 120 | Programming: Logic, Design and Implementation | 3 |
| CIS 155 | Introduction to C++ Programming | 3 |
| CIS 156 | Visual Basic | 3 |
| CIS 157 | Object-Oriented JAVA Programming I | 4 |
| CIS 158 | Introduction to Procedural Programming | 4 |
| EGR 103 | Computer Skills for Engineers and Technicians | 3 |

## Technical or General Physics I \& II

Credits: 8
Choose one of the following:

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | PHY 101 and PHY 102 | 8 |
|  | PHY 211 and PHY 212 | 8 |

## EGR 231 and EGR 233

Credits: 4
EGR 231 and EGR 233 count as one course towards the Program Electives requirement.

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EGR 231 | Electrical Engineering I | 3 |
| EGR 233 | Electrical Engineering I Laboratory | 1 |

## EGR 232 and EGR 234

Credits: 4
EGR 232 and EGR 234 count as one course towards the Program Electives requirement.

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EGR 232 | Electrical Engineering II | 3 |
| EGR 234 | Electrical Engineering II Laboratory | 1 |

## EGR 251 and EGR 253

Credits: 4
EGR 251 and EGR 253 count as one course towards the Program Electives requirement.

| Course \# | Title | Credits |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EGR 251 | Statics | 3 |
| EGR 253 | Advanced Statics | 1 |

