

# PHYS 520A: ELECTROMAGNETIC THEORY I

SYLLABUS (2013 Fall)

*Department of Physics, Southern Illinois University–Carbondale*

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## 1 General information:

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## 2 Prerequisites:

Exposure to Maxwell's equations and special relativity at undergraduate level will be assumed. Familiarity with the following topics will be assumed: vector calculus, complex variables, partial differential equations.

## 3 Course description

### References

1. *Classical Electrodynamics*, by J. D. Jackson. (Assigned textbook.)
2. *Classical Electrodynamics*, by J. Schwinger, L. L. DeRaad, Jr., K. A. Milton, and Wu-yang Tsai.
3. *Electromagnetic Theory*, by J. A. Stratton.
4. *Introduction to Electrodynamics*, by D. J. Griffiths.

We will begin with Maxwell's equations and the corresponding conservation laws. Green's function techniques to determine static fields (electrostatics and magnetostatics) in the presence of dielectric and permeable materials, and conductors, will be introduced.

### Webpage

Lecture notes and homework will be posted at <http://www.physics.siu.edu/~shajesh>.

## 4 Course work

### Evaluation

Homework	30 %
Midterm Exams ( $2 \times 20 %$ )	40 %
Final Exam	30 %

### Homework

Homework will be assigned roughly on a weekly basis at the course webpage. Students are encouraged to discuss homework problems with their classmates and anyone. But, each student should submit their own work describing detailed steps of thought process.

## **Exams**

Three examinations (including the final exam) will be administered.

Exam I	September 19 (Thursday)
Exam II	October 24 (Thursday)
Final Exam	December 12 (Thursday) 8pm-10pm

## **5 Syllabus Attachment**

The Provost Office has created a “Syllabus Attachment” to assist the student. It lists and provides web links for many elements that are important for a student. Kindly find it attached.

*"We emphasize student achievement and success because achievement and success are essential if we are to shape future leaders and transform lives"*

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Last day to add a class (without instructor permission)..... 8/30/2013  
Last day to withdraw completely and receive a 100% refund.....9/01/2013  
Last day to drop a course using SalukiNet .....10/27/2013  
Last day to file diploma application (for name to appear in Fall Commencement program).....11/01/2013  
Final examinations .....12/9 – 12/13/2013

*Note: For outreach, internet, and short course drop/add dates, visit Registrar's Academic webpage <http://registrar.siu.edu/>*

**FALL SEMESTER HOLIDAYS**

Labor Day 09/02/2013  
 Fall Break 10/12—10/15/2013  
 Thanksgiving Break 11/27—12/1/2013

**WITHDRAWAL POLICY ~ Undergraduate only**

Students who officially register for a session may not withdraw merely by the stopping of attendance. An official withdrawal form needs to be initiated by the student and processed by the University. For the proper procedures to follow when dropping courses and when dropping from the University, please visit <http://registrar.siu.edu/pdf/ugradcatalog1314.pdf>

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An INC is assigned when, for reasons beyond their control, students engaged in passing work are unable to complete all class assignments. An INC must be changed to a completed grade within one semester following the term in which the course was taken, or *graduation*, whichever occurs first. Should the student fail to complete the course within the time period designated, that is, by no later than the end of the semester following the term in which the course was taken, or graduation, whichever occurs first, the incomplete will be converted to a grade of *F* and the grade will be computed in the student's grade point average. *For More information please visit <http://registrar.siu.edu/grades/incomplete.html>*

**REPEAT POLICY**

An undergraduate student may, for the purpose of raising a grade, enroll in a course for credit no more than two times (two total enrollments) unless otherwise noted in the course description. For students receiving a letter grade of A,B,C,D, or F, the course repetition must occur at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Only the most recent (last) grade will be calculated in the overall GPA and count toward hours earned. *See full policy at <http://registrar.siu.edu/pdf/ugradcatalog1314.pdf>*

**GRADUATE POLICIES**

Graduate policies often vary from Undergraduate policies. To view the applicable policies for graduate students, please visit <http://gradschool.siu.edu/about-us/grad-catalog/index.html>

**DISABILITY POLICY**

Disability Support Services provides the required academic and programmatic support services to students with permanent and temporary disabilities. DSS provides centralized coordination and referral services. To utilize DSS services, students must come to the disability office to open cases. The process involves interviews, reviews of student-supplied documentation, and completing Disability Accommodation Agreements. <http://www.siu.edu/dss>

**STUDENT CONDUCT CODE**

[http://policies.siu.edu/other\\_policies/chapter3/conduct.html](http://policies.siu.edu/other_policies/chapter3/conduct.html)

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Emergency response information is available on posters in buildings on campus, available on BERT's website at [www.bert.siu.edu](http://www.bert.siu.edu), Department of Safety's website [www.dps.siu.edu](http://www.dps.siu.edu) (disaster drop down) and in Emergency Response Guideline pamphlet. Instructors will provide guidance and direction to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting your location. ***It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during an evacuation or sheltering emergency.***

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<http://www.lib.siu.edu/about>

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**Tutoring** : <http://tutoring.siu.edu/>

**Math Labs** [http://tutoring.siu.edu/math\\_tutoring/index.html](http://tutoring.siu.edu/math_tutoring/index.html)

**WRITING CENTER**

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***Additional Resources Available:***

**SALUKINET:** <https://salukinet.siu.edu/cp/home/displaylogin>

**ADVISEMENT:** <http://advisement.siu.edu/>

**PROVOST & VICE CHANCELLOR:** <http://pvcaa.siu.edu/>