Physics Department Course Cross-Listing Policy

This policy specifies the procedures and requirements under which courses taught by instructors from other units/departments may be crosslisted with the PHY or PHZ prefixes that are used by Physics.

Requests to cross-list a course with a Physics prefix should be directed from the Chair of the instructor's unit to the Physics Department Chair. The request should include a complete syllabus that complies with UF syllabus policy. The request must be received at least four weeks prior to the Registrar's course scheduling deadline for the relevant semester.

The course content and rigor of instruction of any course cross-listed in Physics must be comparable to that of any other course taught within the Physics department. Therefore, requests for cross-listing will be reviewed by the members of the Physics Department Curriculum Committee. The committee will consider whether the course has sufficiently strong physics content that it is appropriate for cross-listing, whether the course appears sufficiently well-designed to stand as a physics course, whether its assignments and assessments are suitably rigorous, and whether it complements the department's existing course offerings. The committee will also consider whether the instructor has the appropriate professional qualifications, expertise, and experience to teach a course in Physics.

Having considered the above, the committee will make a recommendation to the Chair. If the committee members recommend approval of the cross-listing request, they will also make a recommendation regarding a suitable course number and prefix.

Of the total number of seats offered in a course taught by an instructor outside the Physics department, no more than one-half can be offered in the section that is cross-listed in Physics.

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