

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
Department of Physics

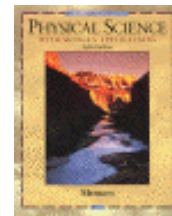
Physical Science (PSC 2121 #5007) T-Th 3:30-4:50 pm GCS 118 **Fall 2001**

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Office Hrs: Tue. and Thur. 1-2:30 pm, and by appointment.

TA/grader: Name, contact information and office hours to be announced.

Text: PHYSICAL SCIENCE, by M. Merken, Fifth Edition.



Material: The course will cover portions of the physics, chemistry and geology sections of the textbook.

Internet: <http://www.fau.edu/~rvoss/psc2121/info.htm>
is the course web page. It will updated throughout the semester and provide links to an online discussion board, current grades, and homework assignments and answers.

Homework: Homework assignments will be given out during most lectures and will be due at the start of the following week. In most cases, homework will not be accepted after the answers have been posted online. The homework and occasional short **quizzes** will count for a total of **15%** of the final grade.

Groups: Students are encouraged (but not required) to form small (no more than 4) groups to discuss and submit homework. Only one copy of the homework need be turned in for each group and all members of the group will receive the same grade. Group membership may change during the course. Each assignment must be clearly labeled with the date and the names of all group members. Each problem must be labeled with chapter and question number. **Show your work** leading up to the answer. **Neatness and legibility count** as part of scientific communication. Answers that cannot be easily deciphered will be marked incorrect.

Exams: The remaining **85%** of the final grade will be based on four exams. Their tentative chapter coverage and dates are:

Exam I	Ch. 2-6	Tuesday, September 18
Exam II	Ch. 7-10	Thursday, October 11
Exam III	Ch. 11-15	Tuesday, November 6
Exam IV	Ch. 16,17, 22-24	Thursday, December 13 at 1:15-3:45 pm

You must have a valid excuse, such as a note from a doctor, for missing an exam. You must make up the exam, at a mutually convenient time, no later than two weeks after the original date. Exam problems will be based on the lectures, textbook, and assigned homework.