

## Bachelor of Science (BS) Physics

Concentration: Teacher Certification

For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination See General Education Core for more details. Communication (Core) C 010 Choose 1 or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. Options: ENGL 1301 MATH 2412 with a grade of 'C' or better; or passing the Precalculus Exemption Test MATH 2413 Calculus I С 020 administered by the Department of Mathematics. See General Education Core for more details. Choose 1 American History (Core) 060 Options: HIST 1301 or HIST 2327 3 Choose 1 Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core) 080 See General Education Core for course options. PHYS 1311 Learning to be a Physicist 3 Physics core requirement. A criminal background check will be required and a tuberculosis test may be required before the first field experience. Special permission UTCH 1101 Inquiry Approaches to Teaching С Must be a Mathematics or Science Major. from a UTeach co-director is required to enroll in UTCH 1101 and UTCH 1102 concurrently. 1301 Learning Framework As required, based on credit hours earned, TSI status, High school rank, UNIV 1101 Academic and Career Success major declaration. 1001 Living and Working by Design 17 Semester Total Hours For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination See General Education Core for more details. Choose 1 Communication (Core) or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305 MATH 2414 Calculus II С MATH 2413 with a grade of 'C' or better. 4 PHYS 2425 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I 030/090 MATH 2413 and concurrent enrollment in MATH 2414. See General Education Core for more details. Choose 1 American History (Core) 060 Options: HIST 1302 or HIST 2328 3 CSCI 1380 Computer Science I Concurrent enrollment or credit for MATH 1314 or higher level mathematics course. Students will begin developing their UTeach Portfolio. May be taken С UTCH 1102 Inquiry-Based Lesson Design UTCH 1101 with a grade of "C" concurrently with UTCH 3301. 18 Semester Total Hours 4 Calculus III MATH 2415 MATH 2414 with a grade of 'C' or better. 3 Choose 1 Creative Arts (Core) 050 See General Education Core for course options. PHYS 2426 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II 030/090 PHYS 2425. 3 PHYS 2327 Physics for Scientists and Engineers III PHYS 2425. Students may take this course concurrently with PHYS 2426. See General Education Core for more details. 3 POLS 2305 U.S. Federal Government & Politics 070 See General Education Core for more details. 17 Semester Total Hours MATH 3341 **Differential Equations** MATH 2414 and MATH 2318 with a grade of 'C' or better. PHYS 3402 Modern Physics PHYS 2426 and PHYS 2327. Physics core requirement. Only offered in the Spring Semester. BIOL 3330/MATE 3321 A grade of 'C' or better in the following: MATH 2413 and UTCH 1102. **Functions and Modeling** UTeach requirement POLS 2306 Texas Government & Politics 070 3 See General Education Core for more details. Language, Philosophy & Culture (Core) 040 3 Choose 1 See General Education Core for course options. Choose 1 Integrative/Experiential Learning Option (Core) 090 See General Education Core for course options. 17 Semester Total Hours Must apply to Teacher Education Program.

CORE: The 2023-2024 list of core courses can be found in the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog: www.utrgv.edu/smartcatalog > Bachelors Degree Regulations and Graduation Policies > 'Core Curriculum'

Symbols Key

Critical ('!'): sequence sensitive course.

Minimum Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.

General Education Core (GEC) Sections: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; 090 - Humanities; 090 - Leadership; 090 - Science Labs; 090 - Interdisciplinary; 090 - Technologies, 090 - Language Diversity & Writing.

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3	PHYS 3305	Classical Mechanics		PHYS 2426 and MATH 2415.	Physics core requirement.	
4	PHYS 3411	Math Methods for Physics I		MATH 3341	Physics core requirement.	
3	MATE 3317	Perspective in Mathematics and Science		MATE 3321, BIOL 3330, or PHYS 3330 with a grade of "C" or better.	UTeach requirement	
3	UTCH 3301	Knowing and Learning in Mathematics and Science	С	UTCH 1101 and UTCH 1102 with a grade of "C" or better or concurrent enrollment with UTCH 1102 with consent of UTeach Advisor.	UTeach requirement	
3	PHYS 3303	Thermodynamics		MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426 and PHYS 2327	Physics core requirement.	
¥ 16	16 Semester Total Hours					
3	UTCH 3302	Classroom Interactions	С	(a) University grade point average of at least 2.75, (b) UTCH 1102 with a grade of 'C' or better, (c) UTCH 3301 with a grade of 'C' or better, and (d) admission to the Teacher Education Program.	UTeach requirement	
3	PHYS 4305	Statistical Mechanics		PHYS 3303 and PHYS 3311.	Physics core requirement.	
1	PHYS 4101	Laboratory Research		Consent of instructor.	Physics core requirement.	
3	PHYS 3304	Optics		MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426 and PHYS 2327.	Physics core requirement. Only offered in the Spring Semester.	
3	READ 4305	Disciplinary Literacy in the Classrooms				
13	13 Semester Total Hours					
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1 Н	Course #	Course Title	Min. GEC Grade	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
3	Course # PHYS 3301	Course Title  Electromagnetic Theory I	Min. GEC Grade	MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.	Additional Notes  Physics core requirement.	
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3	PHYS 3301	Electromagnetic Theory I	Min. GEC Grade GEC	MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.	Physics core requirement.	
3	PHYS 3301 PHYS 4303	Electromagnetic Theory I  Quantum Mechanics I  Research Methods in the Science and Mathematics Classroom (UTEACH) or Research Methods in Middle and Secondary	Min. GEC	MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.  PHYS 3305 and PHYS 3311.	Physics core requirement.  Physics core requirement.	
3 3	PHYS 3301 PHYS 4303 BIOL/MATE 4392	Electromagnetic Theory I  Quantum Mechanics I  Research Methods in the Science and Mathematics Classroom (UTEACH) or Research Methods in Middle and Secondary School Math		MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.  PHYS 3305 and PHYS 3311.  Grade C or better in the following: MATH 2413 and UTCH 1102.	Physics core requirement.  Physics core requirement.  UTeach requirement	
3 3 3	PHYS 3301 PHYS 4303 BIOL/MATE 4392 UTCH 3303	Electromagnetic Theory I  Quantum Mechanics I  Research Methods in the Science and Mathematics Classroom (UTEACH) or Research Methods in Middle and Secondary School Math  Project-Based Instruction		MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.  PHYS 3305 and PHYS 3311.  Grade C or better in the following: MATH 2413 and UTCH 1102.  (a) University grade point average of at least 2.75, (b) UTCH 3302 with a grade of "C".  Senior standing in the Physics Degree Program and consent of a supervising faculty	Physics core requirement.  Physics core requirement.  UTeach requirement  UTeach requirement	
3 3 3	PHYS 3301 PHYS 4303 BIOL/MATE 4392 UTCH 3303 PHYS 4300	Electromagnetic Theory I  Quantum Mechanics I  Research Methods in the Science and Mathematics Classroom (UTEACH) or Research Methods in Middle and Secondary School Math  Project-Based Instruction		MATH 2415 and PHYS 2426.  PHYS 3305 and PHYS 3311.  Grade C or better in the following: MATH 2413 and UTCH 1102.  (a) University grade point average of at least 2.75, (b) UTCH 3302 with a grade of "C".  Senior standing in the Physics Degree Program and consent of a supervising faculty	Physics core requirement.  Physics core requirement.  UTeach requirement  UTeach requirement	
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This program leads to a profession which requires an occupational license as defined under Texas Occupations Code 58.001. This requires that all applicants seeking to become licensed must undergo a criminal background check prior to licensure. Students in this program should check with the College of Education and P-16 Integration on the requirements for a criminal background check prior to student teaching.

## Major Admission Requirements

Admission to the Teacher Education Program at the Office of Educator Preparation and Accountability is required for completion of teacher certification requirements with the undergraduate degree. All admission requirements are in accordance to Texas Administrative Code rules §227.10 and the HEA Title II accountability requirements. All applicants must meet the current certification requirements in effect at the time of application, regardless of the catalog year of degree. plan.

Teacher Education Program progression requirements include GPA, course grades, certification courses, benchmarks/key assessments and testing. Admission to the College of Education and P-16 Integration is required for participation in Apprentice Teaching and Seminar (UTCH 4101, 4601). Students unable to be admitted to UTCH 4601 and UTCH 4101 will be required to substitute 7 hours, as recommended by advisor. A Physics Major with Physics/Mathematics (7-12) Teacher Certification would initially focus on the Math prerequisites courses (support courses listed above), in taking the PHYS 2425/2426 course sequence, and in taking the UTCH 1101 and UTCH 1102 course sequence. Approved: Thursday, March 23, 2023

120 TOTAL HOURS

(42) Advanced minimum credit hours

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