

Pathway - Physics

Southwestern Illinois Community College Associate in Science Degree

Fall Year 1

SWIC Course	Hours
ENG 101 Rhetoric and Composition	3
MATH 203 Analytic Geometry & Calculus I	5
CHEM 105 General Chemistry	5
IAI SS ¹ IAI Social Science	3
Total	16

Spring Year 1

SWIC Course	Hours
ENG 102 Rhetoric and Composition II	3
MATH 204 Analytic Geometry & Calculus II	5
PHYS 204 Physics- Mechanics	4
IAI FA ¹ IAI Fine Arts	3
Total	15

Fall Year 2

SWIC Course	Hours
PHYS 205 Physics- Heat, Electricity & Mag.	4
COMM 151 Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
MATH 205 Analytic Geometry & Calculus III	4
HES Human Well Being	2
IAI BS ¹ IAI Behavioral Science	3
Total	16

Spring Year 2

SWIC Course	Hours
MATH 292 Linear Algebra	3
PHYS 206 Physics- Light & Modern Physics	4
MATH 290 Differential Equations	3
IAI HUM ¹ IAI Humanities	3
IAI LS IAI Life Science w/Lab	4
Total	17

Associate in Science Degree Total **64**

¹Students need to complete one course in Human Relations and one in Non-Western Culture for AS degree

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Fall Year 3

SIUE Course	Hours
IS 364 The Atomic Era	3
PHYS 304 Intro to Quantum Physics	5
PHYS 321 Intro to Classical Mechanics	3
PHYS XXX Physics Elective	3
Total	14

Spring Year 3

SIUE Course	Hours
PHYS 323 ² Statistical Methods	4
PHYS 406 ² Electromagnetic Fields & Waves	4
PHYS 251 Waves	4
PHYS 376 Career Prep in Physics	1
ENG 334 Scientific Writing	3
Total	16

Fall Year 4

SIUE Course	Hours
CS 145 Introduction to Computing	3
PHYS 416 Principles of Quantum Mechanics	4
PHYS 499a Senior Assignment: Part I	3
ELE XXX Elective	3
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Total	16

Spring Year 4

SIUE Course	Hours
PHYS 314 ² Modern Data Acquisition	3
PHYS 318 ² Theory & App of Electronic Measure	3
PHYS XXX Physics Elective	3
PHYS XXX Physics Elective	3
PHYS 499b Senior Assignment: Part II	2
Total	14

Bachelor of Science Degree Total **124**

²Courses are offered on even/odd years, so sequence may flip.

*Students must complete 50% or more of SIUE degree requirements at SIUE (120+ hours required for graduation).

Physics offers specializations in Astronomy, Biomedical Physics, and Photonics and Laser Physics.