

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE
B.S. DEGREE IN PHYSICS (203 Planetary Hall, 703-993-3815)
<https://www.physics.gmu.edu/bs-physics/>
2018 - 2019 CATALOG

	<u>Department(s) & Course #(s)</u>	<u>Completed/ Grade(s)</u>	<u>Needed</u>
<u>MASON CORE REQUIREMENTS (*30)</u>			
a. Written Communication: ENGH 101 (100), ENGH 302 (C or better) (3,3)		_____	_____
b. Oral Communication: COMM 100 or 101 (circle choice) (3)		_____	_____
c. Quantitative Reasoning (satisfied by MATH 113 or 114)			
d. Literature (3)			
e. Arts (3)	_____	_____	_____
f. Western Civilization (3)	_____	_____	_____
g. Social & Behavioral Science (3)	_____	_____	_____
h. Natural Science (PHYS 160/161 and 260/261)	_____	_____	_____
i. Global Understanding (3)	_____	_____	_____
j. Information Technology (3)	_____	_____	_____
k. PHYS 407	_____	_____	_____

Go to: <http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/> to link to information on Mason Core requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS without Concentration (69-75)

Physics Core Courses (30 credits)

a. PHYS 160, PHYS 161 (3,1)		a. _____	_____
b. PHYS 260, PHYS 261 (3,1)		b. _____	_____
c. PHYS 251, PHYS 301 (3,3)		c. _____	_____
d. PHYS 303, PHYS 305 (3,3)		d. _____	_____
e. PHYS 307, PHYS 308 (3,3)		e. _____	_____
f. PHYS 402, PHYS 416 (3,1)		f. _____	_____
g. PHYS 407 (writing intensive course) (4)		g. _____	_____

BS without Concentration (28-34 credits)

h. Six credits from the following: PHYS 410 (3), MATH 203 (3), MATH 214 (3)		h. _____	_____
i. PHYS 311, 312 (3, 3)		i. _____	_____
j. One of the following: PHYS 326, 405, 406, 408, or 409 (3)		j. _____	_____
k. PHYS 306, 403, 428 (3, 3, 3)		k. _____	_____

Mathematics Course Requirements (11 credits)

1. MATH 113, MATH 114 (4,4)		1. _____	_____
2. MATH 213		2. _____	_____

Only students who are not completing a second major must select 6 additional credits from the following: (list courses)
 ASTR 210, ASTR 328, ASTR 403, ASTR 404, PHYS 370, PHYS 412, PHYS 440, PHYS 465, PHYS 475

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A GPA of 2.0 or better is required in all major course work.

GENERAL ELECTIVES: Maximum 2 credits of PHED, PRLS, and RECR coursework toward a COS degree. Only MLSC 400 and MLSC 402 may be used for credit towards a COS degree. (List courses)

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MINIMUM 120 HOURS (including Minimum 45 UPPER DIVISION HOURS) to GRADUATE

This planning form is intended to be used in consultation with your academic advisor and reflects the requirements for the 2018-2019 Catalog; the University Catalog is the official reference for program requirements.

COURSE LISTS (PHYSICS)

Written Communication: ENGH 101 (or 100) and ENGH 302

Oral Communication: COMM 100 or COMM 101

Quantitative Reasoning: MATH 113 See this web site for more information: http://math.gmu.edu/placement_test.php

Literature: ARAB 325; CHIN 310, 311, 325, 328; CLAS 250, 260, 340, 350, 360, 380; ENGH 201, 202, 203, 204; FREN 325, 329; FRLN 330; GERM 325; ITAL 320, 325; JAPA 340; KORE 311; PHIL 253; RELI 235, 333; RUSS 325, 326, 327; SPAN 325

Arts: ARTH 101, 102, 103, 200, 201, 203, 204, 206, 321, 322, 324, 333, 334, 335, 340, 341, 342, 344, 345, 360, 362, 370, 372, 373, 376; AVT 103, 104, 215, 222, 232, 243, 252, 253, 262, 272, 385; DANC 101, 119, 125, 131, 145, 161, 225, 231, 245, 301, 325, 331, 345, 425, 445, 390, 391; ENGH 370, 371, 372, 396; FAVS 225; GAME 101; MUSI 100, 101, 102, 107, 280, 301, 302, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 387, 389, 485; PHIL 156; THR 101, 150, 151, 210, 230, 395, 411, 412.

Western Civilization: HIST 100 or 125; transfer students may substitute: the following courses for HIST 100: HIST 101, 102, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 308, 309, 312, 314, 322, 388, 436, 480; and the following courses for HIST 125: HIST 202, 387.

Social and Behavioral Sciences: AFAM 200; ANTH 114, 120, 135, 363, 372, 396; BUS 100; CONF 101; CONS 410; CRIM 100; ECON 100, 103, 104, 105, 367; EDUC 203, 372; GCH 325; GGS 103; GOVT 101, 103, 367; HEAL 230; HIST 121, 122; LING 306; PSYC 100, 211, 231; SOCI 101, 352, 355; TOUR 311; WMST 200

Natural Sciences: PHYS 160/161, 260/261

Global Understanding: ANTH 302, 306, 307, 308, 309, 312, 313, 316, 331, 332, 382; ARTH 319, 320, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386; BUS 200; CEIE 100; COMM 305, 456; CRIM 405; DANC 118, 318, 418; ECON 360, 361, 362, 380, 390; ENGH 362, 366; FAVS 300; FRLN 331; GCH 205; GGS 101; GLOA 101; GOVT 132, 133; HIST 251, 252, 261, 262, 271, 272, 281, 282, 328, 329, 356, 357, 358, 360, 364, 365, 387, 460, 462; JAPA 310; MBUS 305; MUSI 103, 431; PHIL 243; PROV 105; PSYC 379; RELI 100, 211, 212, 313, 315, 320, 322, 341, 374; RUSS 354; SOCI 120, 320, 332; SPAN 322, 466; SYST 202; THR 359, TOUR 210; WMST 100

Information Technology: One of these courses: ANTH 395, CDS 130, CS 100, GOVT 300, HIST 390, IT 104, MIS 303, MUSI 259 or Course(s) from a) and one course from b): a) AVT 180; CS 112; PHYS 251; PSYC 300, 301, & 372 (all three must be taken and in sequence); SOCI 410 b) CDS 151, CEIE 409, CS 105, ENGR 107, IT 304, PHIL 112

Synthesis/Capstone: PHYS 407

FALL YEAR 1	CREDITS	SPRING YEAR 1	CREDITS	NOTES
MATH 113	4	MATH 114	4	*students who do
PHYS 122/123	2	ASTR 124	1	not place into
ENGH 101	3	PHYS 160	3	Calculus I can
Mason Core	3	PHYS 161	1	visit the physics
Mason Core	3	Mason Core	3	website for an
UNIV 100	1	Mason Core	3	alternative
Total:	16 credits	Total:	15 credits	schedule.

FALL YEAR 2	CREDITS	SPRING YEAR 2	CREDITS	NOTES
MATH 213	3	MATH 214	3	
PHYS 260	3	PHYS 307	3	
PHYS 261	1	PHYS 308	3	
PHYS 251	3	ASTR 210	3	
Mason Core	3	Elective	3	
Mason Core	3			
Total:	16 credits	Total:	15 credits	

FALL YEAR 3	CREDITS	SPRING YEAR 3	CREDITS	NOTES
PHYS 301	3	PHYS 306	3	
PHYS 303	3	PHYS 312	3	
PHYS 305	3	PHYS 402	3	
PHYS 311	3	Elective	3	
ENGH 302	3	Elective	3	
Total:	15 credits	Total:	15 credits	

FALL YEAR 4	CREDITS	SPRING YEAR 4	CREDITS	NOTES
PHYS 403	3	PHYS 412	3	
PHYS 407	4	PHYS 428	3	
PHYS 408 OR 409	3	Elective	3	
PHYS 410	3	Elective	3	
PHYS 416	1	Elective	3	
Total:	14 credits	Total:	15 credits	

*Students must earn 120 credits for graduation; 45 credits must be upper-level (courses 300+).

*Schedule will vary depending on if student began in an odd or even year; details can be found at physics.gmu.edu.