



Associate in Science: Physics Pathway

All Pathways are designed to transfer to a four-year institution for eventual completion of a BA/BS degree.

Physics is the study of the physical world; what it's like, what it's made of, and how it all fits together. In physics, you study everything from the innermost workings of the atom to the interactions between entire galaxies in the universe, and more. Physics is crucial to understanding the world around us, the world inside us, and the world beyond us. Physics is the most basic and fundamental science.

Students of physics are trained to use mathematics and problem-solving techniques, along with fundamental physics principles, to understand and solve problems dealing with mechanics, electricity and magnetism, thermodynamics, electronics, relativity, and quantum mechanics. In this way, one is able to come to understand this physical universe of ours, and come to appreciate how it all fits together.

A major in physics can prepare students for a career in areas such as engineering, computer science, mathematics, astronomy, medicine, law, business, and education.

For More Information:

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Total Cost Estimate

Tuition per Semester (NC Resident)	\$1,216.00 (16+ credit hours) \$76.00/credit hour (1-15 hours)
Computer Use and Technology Fee	\$48/semester
Activity Fee	Fall and Spring semesters only, Main campus only, \$35.00
CAPS Fee (Campus Access, Parking and Security)	\$20/semester
Matriculation Fee	\$6/semester
Student Insurance	\$2/Semester
Consumable Supply Fees	\$15 Some ART, BIO, CHM, HEA, PED, and PHY courses
Books	cost may vary

AA and AS degrees require completion of a minimum of 60 semester hours of credit, but pathways may include extra hours to meet university baccalaureate degree plans.

Completion of hours beyond 60 may not be required to meet AA or AS graduation requirements but is recommended based on programs offered by intended transfer institutions.

	Course Prefix	Course Name	Credit Hours
(Appalachian State University)			
1st Semester	ACA 122	College Transfer Success	1
	CHM 151	General Chemistry I	4
	COM 231	Public Speaking	3
	ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3
	MAT 171	Precalculus Algebra	4

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1st Semester	ACA 122	College Transfer Success	1
	CHM 151	General Chemistry I	4
	COM 231	Public Speaking	3
	ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3
	MAT 271	Calculus I	4
(Appalachian State University)			
2nd Semester	ART 111	Art Appreciation	3
	ECO 251	Prin of Microeconomics	3
	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc	3
	MAT 172	Precalculus Trigonometry	4
(UNC Asheville)			
2nd Semester	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc	3
	HIS 112	World Civilizations II	3
	MAT 272	Calculus II	4
	PHY 251	General Physics I	4
(Appalachian State University)			
3rd Semester	MAT 271	Calculus I	4
(UNC Asheville)			
3rd Semester	HIS 111	World Civilizations I	3
(Appalachian State University)			
4th Semester	FRE 111	Elementary French I (or SPA 111)	3
	HIS 111	World Civilizations I	3
	MAT 272	Calculus II	4
	PHY 251	General Physics I	4
(UNC Asheville)			
4th Semester	ART 111	Art Appreciation	3
	FRE 111	Elementary French I (or SPA 111)	3
	MAT 273	Calculus III	4
	PHY 252	General Physics II	4
(Appalachian State University)			
5th Semester	FRE 112	Elementary French II (or SPA 112)	3
	HUM 220	Human Values and Meaning	3
	MAT 273	Calculus III	4
	PHY 252	General Physics II	4
(UNC Asheville)			
5th Semester	ECO 251	Prin of Microeconomics	3
	FRE 112	Elementary French II (or SPA 112)	3
	HUM 220	Human Values and Meaning	3
	MAT 285	Differential Equations	3
	PED 110	Fit and Well for Life	2