

# Mechanical Waves

Programme course

2 credits

Mekaniska vågor

TFYA83

Valid from: 2017 Spring semester

**Determined by**

Board of Studies for Electrical  
Engineering, Physics and Mathematics

**Date determined**

2017-01-25

## Main field of study

Applied Physics, Physics

## Course level

First cycle

## Advancement level

G1X

## Course offered for

- Physics, Bachelor's Programme

## Entry requirements

Note: Admission requirements for non-programme students usually also include admission requirements for the programme and threshold requirements for progression within the programme, or corresponding.

## Prerequisites

Calculus in one variable. Linear algebra.

## Intended learning outcomes

The aim of the course is to give basic knowledge of oscillations and wave motion with applications from acoustics. After successful examination the student should be able to solve basic problems related to mechanical waves including acoustics. Furthermore, the student should be able to perform measurements related to acoustics and present measurements, results and conclusions.

## Course content

Mechanical waves. Harmonic oscillations, traveling waves, acoustics, superposition, interference.

## Teaching and working methods

The lectures in wave physics are meant to give a basic understanding of the subject. During lectures the most important theory sections are presented together with some applied exercises. The knowledge is deepened and applied through special problem solving sessions. The course also contains laboratory work related to acoustics.

The course runs over the first part of the spring semester.

## Examination

LAB1	Laboratory work	0.5 credits	U, G
TEN1	Written examination	1.5 credits	U, 3, 4, 5

## Grades

Four-grade scale, LiU, U, 3, 4, 5

## Other information

Supplementary courses: The course content is relevant for several upcoming courses on the programme (Optics - Theory and Application, Electronics, Measurement technology, Mechanics, Electromagnetism, Transform theory, Nanotechnology, Modern Physics etc.). Materials optics, Optoelectronics.

## Department

Institutionen för fysik, kemi och biologi

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Magnus Johansson

## Examiner

Per Sandström

## Course website and other links

<http://www.ifm.liu.se/undergraduate/courses/list/index.xml?selection=Y&sort=ap>

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 0 h

Recommended self-study hours: 53 h

## Course literature

Göran Jönsson, "Våglära och optik" (kapitel 1-10), 5:e upplagan (ISBN: 9789163389573) Övrigt material via kursens Lisamrum

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