

# Mechanics I

Programme course

6 credits

Mekanik, grundkurs

NFYA03

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

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.

## Intended learning outcomes

The purpose of the course is to develop the student's knowledge in classical mechanics and to lay a foundation for further studies in physics. Following the course, the student should be able to:

- use kinematics to describe motion.
- solve problems, explain phenomena, and carry out calculations in mechanics by using Newton's laws of motion and conservation laws
- apply the theory in order to determine statics and dynamics of particles, particle systems, rigid bodies, and fluids.
- carry out mechanical experiments, and write a brief report of results and conclusions.

## Course content

Kinematics: position, velocity, acceleration, angular position, angular velocity, angular acceleration, relative motion.

Fundamental physical concepts: mass, force, linear momentum, angular momentum, torque, work, kinetic energy, power, conservative forces, potential energy.

Newton's laws of motion. Conservation of linear momentum, angular momentum, and energy.

Statics and dynamics of particles and particle systems. Centre of mass. Total linear and angular momentum. Kinetic energy of a particle system. Rotation of a rigid body. Moments of inertia. Equilibrium, static equilibrium. Newton's theory of gravity. Statics and dynamics of fluids.

## Teaching and working methods

Lectures, lessons, and laboratory work.

## Examination

LAB1	Laboratory Work	1.5 credits	U, G
TEN1	Written Examination	4.5 credits	U, 3, 4, 5

## Grades

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

## Other information

Supplementary courses: Wave physics, Mechanics II, Analytical mechanics.

## Department

Institutionen för fysik, kemi och biologi

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Magnus Boman

## Examiner

Magnus Boman

## Course website and other links

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 48 h

Recommended self-study hours: 112 h

## Common rules

Regulations (apply to LiU in its entirety)

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