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**PC 337 A3 Electromagnetism and Optics**  
**3(3-0-1.5) UT(3) Winter 12**  
**U of A Equivalent - Phys 238**

**Course Outline**

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**Prerequisites:** PC 237 or PC 243

**Lecture:** M W F 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

**Laboratory:** W 3:00 - 5:50 p.m.

**Textbook:** **Fundamentals of Physics, 3rd Edition**  
by David Halliday and Robert Resnick

**Laboratory Manual:** **Physics 204/238 Laboratory Manual**  
University of Alberta  
Physics Department

**Assignments:** 10 assignment problem sets  
No late assignment will be accepted.

<b>MARKS:</b>	Assignments	15%
	Laboratory	15% <sup>1</sup>
	Midterm Exam	20% <sup>2</sup>
	Final Exam	50% <sup>3</sup>

**Notes:**

1. An average of 50% must be obtained in laboratory work in order to pass the course.
2. An average of 45% in written examinations must be obtained to pass the course.
3. There is no supplemental or final examination re-write.

**COURSE MATERIAL:**

Lec. No.	Date	Day	Chap	Sections	Topics
	Jan. 6	M			Course Orientation
1	Jan. 8	W	30	30-1, 30-2, 30-3	The Magnetic Field, Definition of B, Discovering the Electron
2	Jan. 10	F	30	30-4, 30-5, 30-6	The Hall Effect, A Circulating Charge, Cyclotrons and Synchrotrons
3	Jan. 13	M	30	30-7	The Magnetic Force on a Current
4	Jan. 15	W	30	30-8, 30-9	Torque on a Current Loop, Magnetic Dipole
5	Jan. 17	F	31	31-1, 31-2	Current and the Magnetic Field, Biot-Savart Law
6	Jan. 20	M	31	31-3, 31-4	The Magnetic Force on a Current-Carrying Wire, Two Parallel Conductors
7	Jan. 22	W	31	31-5	Ampere's Law
8	Jan. 24	F	31	31-6	Solenoids and Toroids
9	Jan. 27	M	31	31-7	Current Loop as a Magnetic Dipole

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10	Jan. 29	W	32	32-1, 32-2, 32-3	Two Symmetries, Two Experiments, Faraday's Law of Induction
11	Jan. 31	F	32	32-4, 32-5	Lenz's Law, Induction
12	Feb. 3	M	32	32-6, 32-7	Induced Electric Fields, Betatron
13	Feb. 5	W	33	33-1, 33-2, 33-3	Capacitors and Inductors, Inductance, Self-Inductance
14	Feb. 7	F	33	33-4	LR Circuit
15	Feb. 10	M	33	33-5, 33-6, 33-7	Energy and the Magnetic Field, Energy Density and the Magnetic Field, Mutual Inductance
16	Feb. 12	W	34	34-1, 34-2, 34-3	Magnets, Magnetism and the Electron, Orbital Angular Momentum and the Electron
17	Feb. 14	F	34	34-4, 34-5	Gauss's Law for Magnetism, The Magnetism of the Earth
18	Feb. 17	M	34	34-6, 34-7, 34-8, 34-9	Paramagnetism, Diamagnetism, Ferromagnetism, Nuclear Magnetism
19	Feb. 19	W			Midterm Review

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	Feb. 19			Midterm Exam	Chapters 30, 31, 32, 33, 34
20	Feb. 21	F	37	37-1, 37-2, 37-3	Pulling Things Together, Maxwell's Equations, Induced Magnetic Fields
	Feb. 25, 27			Winter Break	
21	Mar. 2	M	37	37-4, 37-5	Displacement Current, Maxwell's Equations
22	Mar. 4	W	38	38-1, 38-2, 38-3	Maxwell's Rainbow, Generating EM Waves, Travelling EM Waves
23	Mar. 6	F	38	38-4	Travelling EM Waves
24	Mar. 9	M	38	38-5	Energy Transport and the Poynting Vector
25	Mar. 11	W	38	38-6, 38-7, 38-8	Radiation Pressure, Polarization, Speed of Electromagnetic Waves
26	Mar. 13	F	39	39-1, 39-2	Geometrical Optics, Reflection and Refraction
27	Mar. 16	M	39	39-3, 39-4	Total Internal Reflection, Polarization by Reflection

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28	Mar. 18	W	39	39-5, 39-6	Plane Mirrors, Spherical Mirrors
29	Mar. 20	F	39	39-7	Ray Tracing
30	Mar. 23	M	39	39-11, 39-8	Three Proofs, Spherical Refracting Surfaces
31	Mar. 25	W	39	39-9, 39-10	Thin Lenses, Optical Instruments
32	Mar. 27	F	40	40-1, 40-2	Interference, Light as a Wave
33	Mar. 30	M	40	40-3, 40-4	Diffraction, Young's Experiment
34	April 1	W	40	40-5, 40-6	Coherence, Intensity in Double-slit experiment
35	April 3	F	40	40-7, 40-8	Interference in Thin Films, Michelson's Interferometer
36	April 6	M	41	41-1, 41-2	Diffraction and the Wave Theory of Light
37	April 8	W	41	41-3, 41-4, 41-5	Diffraction from a Single Slit
38	April 10	F	41	41-6, 41-7	Diffraction from a Circular Aperture, Double Slit

39	April 13	M	41	41-8, 41-9	Multiple Slits, Diffraction Grating
40	April 15	W	41	41-10, 41-11	Dispersion and Resolving Power of Gratings, X-ray diffraction

