

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF THE FRASER VALLEY

COURSE INFORMATION

DISCIPLINE/DEPARTMENT: Mathematics **IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** Sept. 1995

Revised: _____

<u>Mathematics 381</u>	<u>Mathematical Methods I</u>	<u>3</u>
SUBJECT/NUMBER OF COURSE	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE	UCFV CREDITS

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: This course covers a wide range of mathematical techniques: calculus problem - solving devices; Fourier series, Fourier integrals; the gamma, beta, and error functions; Bessel functions, Legendre, Hermite, and Laguerre polynomials, Sturm-Lioville systems; partial differential equations; and calculus of variations.

RATIONALE: This is a cross listing of Phys 381

COURSE PREREQUISITES: Math 211, 212, 213 or 310. Phys 111/112 recommended

COURSE COREQUISITES: None

HOURS PER TERM FOR EACH STUDENT	Lecture	60	hrs	Student Directed Learning	hrs
	Laboratory		hrs	Other - specify:	hrs
	Seminar		hrs	_____	hrs
	Field Experience		hrs	TOTAL	60 HRS

MAXIMUM ENROLMENT: 35

Is transfer credit requested? Yes No
 [This course already has credit as Phys 381]

AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:

Course Designer(s): <u>Tim Cooper</u>	Chairperson: <u>Art Last</u>
	Curriculum Committee
Department Head: <u>Susan Milner</u>	Dean: <u>Wayne Welsh</u>
PAC: Approval in Principle	PAC: Final Approval: <u>November 2, 1994</u>
_____ (Date)	_____ (Date)

SYNONYMOUS COURSES:

(a) replaces _____
(course #)

(b) cannot take PHYS 381; ENGR 257 for further credit
(course #)

SUPPLIES/MATERIALS:

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS (List reading resources elsewhere)

Advanced Mathematics for Engineers and Scientists, Murray R. Spiegel

Integral Equations, L.G. Chambers, International Textbook

Mathematical Physics, E. Butkov, Addison - Wesley

Mathematical Methods of Physics, J. Mathews and R.L. Walker, W.A. Benjamin Inc

OBJECTIVES:

To give students the necessary mathematical skills to tackle the most common problems they will encounter in physics.

METHODS:

Lecture, demonstration, computer simulations.

STUDENT EVALUATION PROCEDURE:

Assignments	25%
Midterm Exam	30%
Final Exam	45%

COURSE CONTENT

1. A large orientation assignment will be given covering the first six chapters of the text which covers material students should know from the prerequisites for the course. Followed by review lectures if needed.

Course continues with:

2. Fourier Series
3. Fourier Integrals
4. Special Functions I (Gamma, Beta, Ei, Si, Erf)
5. Special Functions II (Bessel Functions, cylindrical & spherical; Polynomials, Legendre, Hermite & Laguerre)
6. Partial differential equations, separation of variables, Laplace Transform techniques, Sturm-Liouville systems, eigenvalues, eigenfunctions

Complex variables, contour integrals & Cauchy's theorem, application to evaluation of integrals

Calculus of Variations (with and without constraint)

Discussion of minimum action principles in physics

Integral Equations, Green Functions and Dirac delta-function techniques

Numerical methods for quadratures and solving integral and differential equations. Richardsonian techniques will be discussed.