BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICS: CONCENTRATION IN PHYSICS FOR TEACHING – PHYS ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER ROADMAP

This is a sample pathway for students who transfer to San Francisco State University in the current Bulletin year with an AS-T in Physics. Twenty-four units in the major (MATH 226, MATH 227, MATH 228, PHYS 220, PHYS 222, PHYS 230, PHYS 232, PHYS 240 and PHYS 242) and all lower-division GE requirements have been satisfied. Additional units in the major may have been satisfied. Check with a major advisor about the most appropriate course sequence. Degree completion guaranteed in 60 units; see the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) section for more information (http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer-students).

Course  | Title | Units | Notes
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First Semester  |  |  |  
MATH 245  or MATH 376  | Elementary Differential Equations and Linear Algebra 1,2  or Ordinary Differential Equations I  | 3  |  
PHYS 320  & PHYS 321  | Modern Physics I and Modern Physics Laboratory 3  | 5  |  
US History (bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/graduation-requirements/#USHaGR)  or University Elective if US History met before transfer  | 3  |  
Upper Division GE: UD-B, UD-C, or UD-D  | 4  |  
Units  | 14  |  
Second Semester  |  |  |  
PHYS 360  | Electricity and Magnetism I 5,6  | 3  |  
PHYS 370  | Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics 5  | 3  |  
Major Elective  |  | 3  |  
GE Area A: Written English Communication II (A4)  or University Elective if A4 was met before transfer  | 3  |  
Upper Division GE: UD-B, UD-C, or UD-D  | 3  |  
Units  | 15  |  
Third Semester  |  |  |  
PHYS 490  | Physics Project Laboratory 4  | 2  |  
SCI 652  | SF State Science Partners in K-12 Schools 3  | 4  |  
Major Elective  |  | 3  |  
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Upper Division GE: UD-B, UD-C, or UD-D  | 3  |  
U.S. and California Government (bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/graduation-requirements/#USG)  or University Elective if US/CA Government met before transfer  | 3  |  
Fourth Semester  |  |  |  
PHYS 491GW  | Advanced Laboratory II - GWAR 5  | 1  |  
PHYS 695  | Culminating Experience in Physics 5  | 1  |  
Major Elective – Take Two  | 6  |  
Upper Division GE: UD-B, UD-C, or UD-D  or University Elective  | 3  |  
University Elective  | 5  |  
Units  | 16  |  
Total Units  | 60  |  

1 Take PHY 330 if MATH 245 complete.
2 A course in differential equations and linear algebra is required before taking PHY 330 and PHY 385. Students transferring in without an equivalent to MATH 245 must delay taking PHY 330 and PHY 385 until the following Fall semester, which will affect other elements of this sample roadmap. Overall time for degree completion will be extended. Students in this situation should consult with a department advisor for an alternate advising plan.
3 PHY 320/PHY 321, PHY 490 and SCI 652 offered fall semesters only.
4 Take PHY 385 if MATH 245 complete.
5 PHY 360, PHY 370, PHY 491GW and PHY 695 offered spring semesters only.
6 PHY 385 must be taken before PHY 360.

To Do at SF State:

Enough total units to reach 120 minimum for graduation; 40 units minimum at the upper-division level; to include the following:

University-Wide Requirements: 9–18 Units

- ENG 214 or equivalent A4 course (0–3 units) if not taken before transfer
- American Institutions (0-6 units): US History, US Government, California State and Local Government requirements if not taken before transfer
- Upper-division GE, areas B, C and D (9 units)
- Students entering the major with the AS-T in Physics are not required to fulfill SF State Studies or Complementary Studies requirements.

Physics B.S. (Teaching) Major: 37–40 Units

- Prerequisites (3 units if MATH 245 equivalent not completed before transfer; see note 1 above)
- Upper-division Requirements (25 units)
- Electives (12 units): May be lower- or upper-division. Selected in consultation with a department advisor; courses should prepare
students to teach a second subject in addition to physics, or general science at the 9th-grade level.

**University Electives: Five or More Units**

Depends on course choices made at the community college, how transferred units are applied to the requirements above, and course choices at SF State. Some courses may meet more than one requirement, e.g., both in UD GE and the major.