OVERVIEW AND OUTLINE OF COURSE

Course Description:

This course investigates the history of physics with attention also paid to astronomy and planetary science.

The time period covered is from 300 BC (Aristotle) to the end of the 20th century.

Course Grading

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2 Projects	20%	On each discussion session		
1 st EXAM	20%	Week 6		
2 nd EXAM	20%	Week 10		
FINAL EXAM	40%	End of the semester		

Project (1): A presentation of one of the proposed topics. (12 MARKS)

The evaluation will be :

(3 MARKS) for your presentation.

(6 MARKS) for your research which should include:

- What is the conceptual basis of the physical ideas?
- How it developed?
- What is the effect of the ideas on sciences and culture?

(3 MARKS) for your submitted report.

Project (2): A discussion of any chosen topics in physics. (8 MARKS)

The evaluation will be :

(2 MARKS) for your dialogue.

(3 MARKS) for your chosen topic which should include at least three interested points.

(3 MARKS) for your conclusion.

LIST OF THE PROPOSED PROJECTS

1- Archimedes: father of the science of Mechanics.

(1 group)

2- Effect of Muslim Scientists on the scientific revolution.

(2 groups)

- 3-Tools of Cosmology: from Naked Eyes to Radio Telescopes and Satellites. (3 groups)
- 4- The Discovery of Electron.

(1 group)

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5- The Discovery of Radioactivity :(Henri Becquerel & Marie Curie)

(1 group)

6-The Story of Transistor: From the vacuum tube to the integrated circuit.

(1 group)

PHÝSICISTS TIME-LINE

Classical	Middle	Renaissance	Classical Physics		Mødern	
Period	Ages	Ages	1700-1900		Physics	
500 BC	400 AD	1300		Thermo	> 1900	
<u>Aristotle</u>	Al-Fazari	Copernicus	Franklin	Carnot	Relativity	
300 BC	(735-806)	(1473–1543)	(1706–1790)	(1796–1832)		
<u>Ptolomy</u>	Al-khwarizmi	Kepler	Coulomb	Kelvin	1905	
200 AD	(850-926)	(1571–1630)	(1736–1806)	(1824–1907)	Quantum	
	Ibn Sina,	Galileo	Faraday	Boltzmann	Mechanics	
	(965–1039)	(1564-1642)	(1791–1867)	(1844–1906)	1920s	
	Ibn Al- Haitham (980-1037)	Newton (1642–1727)	Maxwell (1831–1879)		Elementary Particles 1970s	