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## **PHYS 111-016: Physics I (Amendments for Remote Learning)**

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## Amendments to Phys 111 Sections 014 and 016 Course Syllabus

This is an amendment to the syllabus for Physics 111 (Sections 014 and 016) that was published at the beginning of the term.

1) Beginning Monday March 23 NJIT classes will meet as "virtual classes" using the usual meeting times as has been the case up until now this term. I will be the "host" for class "meetings" that use the "Webex" conferencing program. Many of you already know how to use it. See <http://ist.njit.edu/webex> for help getting started.

Webex meetings will be held in a network space called "Roland Levy's Personal Room". You can get to it by invoking the url <https://njit.webex.com/meet/levyr>. You are then normally able to "join" a meeting session in progress, or wait for it to start if you arrive early. **Please mute your audio unless you are speaking.**

2) The second common exam WILL NOT be held on March 30 as originally scheduled.

Instead, students will take a merged Exam 2/3 covering the material of both exams (Chap. 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 on the original syllabus).

- Exam 2/3 WILL happen as originally scheduled on April 13.

- The grading formula will weight exams 1 and 2/3 at 24% each in your term average.

- The final exam (comprehensive as usual) will remain worth 32% of the term average. - The remaining 20% will be applied to online homework+quizzes.

- To benefit students who did poorly on Exam 1, a student's Common Exam 1 score will be replaced by his/her Final Exam score when the latter is higher.

3) Exam 2/3 as well as likely the Final Exam will be administered on-line with the students taken it at home. ProctorU is for example a leading service that organizes such exams. More details will follow.

4) Aside from the exams, we will still be following the week-by-week schedule as per our syllabus. You will see your reading and homework assignments there. Mastering Physics homework assignments are not affected by switching to virtual cases here at NJIT.

**5) If you anticipate problems attending online classes and exams, please contact the Dean of Students as soon as possible.**

6) Links to recorded presentations by Prof. Gordon Thomas on each Chapter starting with Chapter 8 going forward will be emailed to all students in case you or I encounter technical problems during our upcoming online lectures:

7) Please make sure to have your laptop with you during our online meetings to have access to the e-version of the chapter to go over the examples in the Chapter as well as the PPT slides (to be attached with Moodle weekly correspondence) to be able to follow the lecture.

ONLINE OFFICE HOURS: BY Appointments on Wednesdays 12:45 – 1:45 PM and

Fridays 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM