

# COURSE DETAIL

## ELECTROMAGNETISM AND OPTICS

**Country**

New Zealand

**Host Institution**

University of Otago

**Program(s)**

University of Otago

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Physics

**UCEAP Course Number**

132

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ELECTROMAGNETISM AND OPTICS

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ELECTROMAG & OPTICS

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

7.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.70

## Course Description

This course develops the classical theory of electromagnetism in terms of Maxwell's equations, both in vacuum and in media. A major emphasis is placed on the use of vector calculus and its related integral theorems to solve for electric and magnetic fields. The formal similarity of electrostatic and magnetostatic problems is shown, and principles of symmetry and superposition are used to facilitate solution. Electromagnetic induction and the energy of electromagnetic fields are introduced. Fundamental concepts in optics are developed in terms of electromagnetism, including light propagation, interference, reflection, refraction, transmission at interfaces, and applications in diffraction.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

PHSI232

## Host Institution Course Title

ELECTROMAGNETISM AND OPTICS

## Host Institution Campus

Dunedin

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Physics

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