

B.S. in Applied Physics (Optics Emphasis) Enhanced Academic Plans

**B.S. in Applied Physics (Optics Emphasis) - CWILT**

Recommended Courses					Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
Fall Semester 1	Interim Semester 1	Spring Semester 1				
PHY 292 & PHY 292D 1 General Physics I and General Physics I Lab	GES 125 Introduction to the Creative Arts	PHY 296 & PHY 297 General Physics II and General Physics II Lab		PHASE 1: EXPLORE	Create your R.E.A.L. Portfolio	
GES 160 Inquiry Seminar		GES 130 Christianity Western Culture				
MAT 124M Calculus 1		MAT 125 Calculus 2		Explore self, careers, & God's call	Consider joining Sigma Zeta, Women in Physics and Engineering (WPE), or another club or ministry of interest	
BIB 101 Introduction to the Bible		GES 140 Introduction to Wellbeing		Take a Career Assessment		
				Research Careers: O*Net, Candid Careers, & informational interviews w/ Alums	Consider finding a mentor	
				Gain Experience: Part-time job; Campus Involvement (e.g. student club); Volunteering		
14	4	15				

**MILESTONES: Consider study abroad options**

Recommended Courses					Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
Fall Semester 2	Interim Semester 2	Spring Semester 2				
PHY 302 & PHY 303 Electronics and Electronics Lab	World Cultures (U) course	PHY 312 & PHY 313 Modern Physics and Modern Physics Lab		PHASE 1&2: EXPLORE/EXPERIENCE	Continue adding artifacts and reflections to your R.E.A.L. Portfolio.	
COS 205 Scientific Computing		PHY 352 & PHY 353 Computer Methods in Physics and Engineering and Computer Methods in Physics and Engineering Lab				
MAT 223 Multivariable Calculus		MAT 222 Differential Equations		Finalize major if necessary & begin gaining experience	Consider taking a leadership position with a student club.	
PHY 260 Careers in Engineering and Physics Seminar		Second Language (S) course*1		Create/update Resume & LinkedIn	Consider going on a spring break mission trip.	
Contemporary Western Life and Thought (L) course				Build professional network (e.g. informational interviews)		
				Attend Spring Career Fair		
				Obtain Internship or relevant job by summer		
14	3	15				

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Recommended Courses					Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
Fall Semester 3	Interim Semester 3	Spring Semester 3				
CHE 208 & CHE 208D Accelerated General Chemistry and Accelerated General Chemistry Lab	Science, Technology, and Society (K) course	PHY 365 Physics Research Seminar		PHASE 2: EXPERIENCE	Review your R.E.A.L. Portfolio and prepare to make it public.	
PHY 320 Mathematical Methods in Physics and Engineering		PHY 332 & PHY 333 Optics and Optics Lab				
PHY 400 (fall, odd years) Electricity and Magnetism		PHY 440 Quantum Mechanics		Use experiences to narrow down career choice & develop relevant skills	Consider studying abroad.	
THE 201 Christian Theology		Comparative Systems (G) course		Participate in Fall & Spring Recruiting to obtain an internship	Consider applying for a Student Leadership Position in Student Life.	
		Interpreting Biblical Themes (J) course		Schedule a Mock Interview	Consider being a TA for a favorite class.	
				Explore Grad Schools & Take Entrance Exams (e.g. GRE) if necessary		
				Expand Professional Network		
15	3	15				

**MILESTONE: A minimum 3.2 GPA in your major is a good goal to strive for**

Recommended Courses					Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
Fall Semester 4	Interim Semester 4	Spring Semester 4				
PHY 440 Quantum Mechanics	Interim Off	PHY 432 & PHY 433 (spring, even) Topics in Contemporary Optics, Topics in Contemporary Optics Lab		PHASE 3: EXECUTE	Continue updating your public R.E.A.L. Portfolio with relevant experiences and reflection.	
PHY 490 Research		Electives				
Contemporary Christian Issues (P) course		Leisure and Lifetime Sport (Q) course		Execute an effective job or grad school search	Consider mentoring an underclassman.	
Cross-Cultural Experience (Z) course		Artistic Experience (A) course		Participate in Fall and Spring Recruiting		
Electives				Apply for Graduate School if necessary		
				Expand Professional Network		
14-17	0	13-16				

**Total Credits: 125-131**

1. Students may also choose to use this course to meet a General Education requirement.

2. Students must complete through the second semester of a first year language course or equivalent (Check the catalog for details of this option.)

Because of possible double counting between General Education and the major, the actual credit total can be reduced to 122.

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**B.S. in Applied Physics (Optics Emphasis) - Humanities**

Recommended Courses				
Fall Semester 1	Interim Semester 1	Spring Semester 1	Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
PHY 292 & PHY 292D 1 General Physics I and General Physics I Lab	GES 147 Humanities II: Renaissance and Reformation	PHY 296 & PHY 297 General Physics II and General Physics II Lab	<b>PHASE 1: EXPLORE</b>	Create your R.E.A.L. Portfolio
GES 145 Humanities I: Greco-Roman through Middle Ages		GES 244 Humanities III: European Enlightenment and American Culture to 1877	<i>Explore self, careers, &amp; God's call</i>	Consider joining Sigma Zeta, Women in Physics and Engineering (WPE), or another club or ministry of interest
MAT 124M Calculus 1		BIB 101 Introduction to the Bible	Take a Career Assessment	
GES 140 Introduction to Wellbeing		MAT 125 Calculus 2	Research Careers: O*Net, Candid Careers, & informational interviews w/ Alums	Consider finding a mentor
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<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>		

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Fall Semester 2	Interim Semester 2	Spring Semester 2	Career Planning and Preparation	R.E.A.L. Experience
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GES 246 Humanities IV: Modern and Contemporary Western Culture		PHY 352 & PHY 353 Computer Methods in Physics and Engineering and Computer Methods in Physics and Engineering Lab	<i>Finalize major if necessary &amp; begin gaining experience</i>	Consider taking a leadership position with a student club.
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PHY 302 & PHY 303 Electronics and Electronics Lab		Second Language (S) course*2	Build professional network (e.g. informational interviews)	
			Attend Spring Career Fair	
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Cross-Cultural Experience (Z) course		Electives	Apply for Graduate School if necessary	
Elective			Expand Professional Network	
<b>14-17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13-16</b>		

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