

Department of Medical Imaging Sciences

Faculty of Health Sciences

American University of Beirut

Course number: MIMG202

Course name: MIS Physics

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Course Instructor:

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Class time and location:

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 7:30 – 8:55

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Course description:

This course focuses on relating units of measurement, the structure of the atom, electrostatics, electrodynamics, electromagnetism, AC generators, DC motors and transformers to imaging equipment.

Emphasis is placed on rectification, production of x – rays, interaction of x – rays with matter, radioactivity and health physics.

Course learning objectives:

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1. To describe the process of x – ray production
2. To know the process of interaction of ionizing radiation with matter
3. To discuss various types of radioactive decay and their relevance to nuclear medicine imaging

4. To understand the concepts of; exposure, absorbed dose and dose equivalent; concepts of ALARA (As Low As reasonably Achievable); basic requirements for the safe use of ionizing radiation; effects of radiation and methods of dose minimization

Required readings

Notes: All lectures and reading materials and exercises will be uploaded on Moodle / emailed.

Course requirements and student evaluations:

	Assessment	Percent	Linked to objectives
A.	Attendance and Class Contribution	10%	
B.	Test 1	10%	1
C.	Test 2	10%	2
D.	Test 3	10%	3
E.	Test 4	15%	4

N.B.: The passing grade for the course is 60/100

AUB/FHS policies

✓ *Attendance*

Attendance is mandatory and attendance will be taken in each lecture and lab session. You are expected to attend all classes and participate in classroom activities. If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to make up for the material missed and inquire about any announcements made. As per AUB General Regulations, students who miss more than one-fifth of the sessions of any course in the first ten weeks of the semester (five weeks in the case of the summer term) are dropped from the course.

✓ *Academic Integrity*

Education is demanding and time management is essential. Do not hesitate to use the resources around you but do not cut corners. Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. Please review the Student Code of Conduct in your handbook available on the following web page: <https://www.aub.edu.lb/sao/Documents/Student%20Handbook%202016-2017.pdf> and familiarize yourself with definitions and penalties (p. 33).

If you're in doubt about what constitutes plagiarism, ask your instructor because it is your responsibility to know. The American University of Beirut has a strict anti-cheating and anti-plagiarism policy. Penalties include failing marks on the assignment in question, suspension or expulsion from University and a permanent mention of the disciplinary action in the student's records.

✓ *Missed tests*

All tests must be completed within the time period specified; zero points will be given for an exam if the student does not adhere to the time guidelines. The only delays for the final exam that will be considered by the instructor are for documented illness, death in the family, and personal/family emergency.

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Detailed course outline

Please note this is a tentative schedule. Any changes may be made at the instructor's discretion.

Date	Topic	Reading	Course Objectives
June 11, 13, 18	Production of x – rays	PPT presentations and emailed articles.	1
June 20, 25	Interaction of x – rays with matter		2
June 28 July 2 , 5	Radioactivity		3
July 9, 12, 16, 19	Health Physics		4

References

- Bushberg T., Seibert J.A., Leidholdt Jr. E.M. and Boone J.M. (2012). The Essential Physics of Medical Imaging. 3rd ed., Lippincott Williams and Wilkins
- Dowsett D.J., Kenny P.A. and Johnston R.E. (2006). The Physics of Diagnostic Imaging. 2nd ed. Hodder Arnold.
- Bushong S.C. (2008). Radiologic Science for Technologists. 9th ed. Mosby Elsevier