

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE PHYSICAL SCIENCES MAJOR

2014/15 Academic Year

REQUIRED JUNIOR LEVEL COURSES ^{1,2}			18 CREDITS
6 CREDITS	☐ CHEM 101: University Chemistry I☐ CHEM 102: University Chemistry II		
6 CREDITS	 □ EASC 101: Introduction to Physical Earth Science □ EASC 102: Environmental Earth Science³ □ EASC 103: Historical Geology³ [WINTER] 		
6 CREDITS	 □ PHYS 108: University Physics I and PHYS □ PHYS 124: Physics for Life Sciences I and □ PHYS 144: Mechanics and Waves and PHY 	PHYS 126: Physics f	or Life Sciences II
GENERAL	SENIOR LEVEL COURSES		42 CREDITS
Please see planning notes on the back of this page for critical information about the structure of this major.			
CHEMISTRY COURSES⁴			
□ PHSC 200: □ CHEM 211: □ CHEM 232: □ CHEM 241: □ CHEM 252: □ CHEM 261: □ CHEM 263: □ CHEM 270: □ CHEM 291:	Physical Science Field Skills ⁵ [SPRING] Analytical Chemistry I [FALL] Analytical Chemistry II [WINTER] Inorganic Chemistry [FALL] Biophysical Chemistry [WINTER] Introductory Forensic Science [FALL] Organic Chemistry I [FALL/WINTER] Organic Chemistry II [FALL/WINTER] Environmental Chemistry [FALL] Applied Spectroscopy [WINTER] Advanced Chemical Analysis [FALL]	[NOT OFFERED 2 CHEM 353: Forer CHEM 362: Advar [EVEN FALL] CHEM 364: Medic CHEM 370: Advar CHEM 495: Speci	nsic Chemistry [WINTER] nced Organic Chemistry cinal Chemistry [ODD FALL] nced Environmental Chemistry [WINTER] ial Topics in Chemistry ⁶
EARTH AND PLANETARY SCIENCE COURSES ⁴			
□ EASC 206: □ EASC 208: □ EASC 209: □ EASC 219: □ EASC 221: [WINTER] □ EASC 225: □ EASC 226: □ EASC 230: □ EASC 238: □ EASC 270:	Physical Science Field Skills ⁵ [SPRING] Geology of the Solar System [FALL] Introduction to Global Change [ODD FALL] Geology of Western Canada [WINTER] Mineralogy [ODD FALL] Introduction to GIS and Remote Sensing Introduction to Geomorphology [FALL] Soil Science [FALL] Invertebrate Paleontology [FALL] Geology of Natural Resources [WINTER] The Atmosphere [WINTER] Resources and the Environment [EVEN FALL]	□ EASC 321: Struct □ EASC 324: Quate □ EASC 334: Plane □ EASC 373: Anthr NOT OFFERED 2 □ EASC 374: Susta [EVEN WINTER] □ EASC 375: Paleo □ EASC 495: Speci [FALL]	luction to Geochemistry [ODD WINTER] tural Geology [NOT OFFERED 2014/15] trany Environments [WINTER] tary Surface Imaging [FALL] opogenic Global Warming [ODD WINTER – 014/15] inable Energy Development climatology [NOT OFFERED 2014/15] al Topics in Earth and Planetary Science ⁶ endent Research ⁶ [FALL/WINTER]
PHYSICS COURSES⁴			
 □ PHYS 200: □ PHYS 208: □ PHYS 212: □ PHYS 224: □ PHYS 244: □ PHYS 250: □ PHYS 261: □ PHYS 301: 	Physical Science Field Skills ⁵ [SPRING] Relative Aspects of Physics [FALL] Quantum Aspects of Physics [FALL] Revolutions in Physics [WINTER] Thermal Physics [WINTER] Mechanics [WINTER] Introduction to Biophysics [FALL] Physics of Energy [WINTER] Nuclear Physics [WINTER] Condensed Matter Physics [FALL]	 □ PHYS 324: Origin □ PHYS 372: Introd □ NOT OFFERED I □ PHYS 390: Advar □ PHYS 495: Specia □ NOT OFFERED 2 	nced Physics Laboratory [FALL] al Topics in Physics and Astrophysics ⁶

IMPORTANT PLANNING NOTES

- 1. Twelve credits from the prerequisite junior level courses can be used toward a student's core requirements. Additional credits will be placed in a student's options.
 - The Physical Sciences major requires students to take a high number of junior level credits. Physical Sciences majors must plan their options carefully to ensure that they do not exceed 48 junior level credits, which is the maximum number of junior level credits permitted in a Bachelor of Science degree.
- 2. Students are required to consult with the MacEwan University Academic Calendar to ensure they meet the prerequisites for all Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics courses they enrol in.
- 3. Students who choose Earth and Planetary Sciences as one of their primary disciplines, and wish to pursue weather and climate studies should take **EASC 102**. Students who wish to pursue geology or planetary studies should take **EASC 103**.
- 4. The structure of the Physical Sciences major is as follows:

If a student chooses a Physical Sciences minor:

- a. Students must choose two primary disciplines from Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics, and may choose the third discipline as their minor.
- b. All senior credits in the third discipline will count only toward the minor.
- c. Student must use only courses from their primary disciplines to complete the major's requirements, with a minimum of 18 senior level credits taken in each discipline.
- d. Students must have 12 credits at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.

If a student chooses a minor other than Physical Sciences:

- a. Students must choose two primary disciplines from Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics.
- b. Student must take 18 senior level credits in both of their primary disciplines to complete the major's requirements. An additional six senior level credits must be taken in the third discipline.
- c. Students must have 12 credits in their primary disciplines at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.

If a student chooses no minor:

- a. Students must choose two primary disciplines from Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics.
- b. Student must take 18 senior level credits in both of their primary disciplines to complete the major's requirements. An additional six senior level credits must be taken in the third discipline.
- c. Students must have 12 credits in their primary disciplines at the 300- or 400-level in their major, with at least three credits from each primary discipline.
- d. The 18 credits normally assigned to a minor will be considered options. Therefore, a student must complete 39 credits of options to be eligible for graduation.
- e. Students must plan their options very carefully, as they can use a maximum of six credits in any Physical Sciences discipline within their options. Students also cannot exceed the 48 credit junior level maximum, and they must complete 72 credits of Science courses.
- 5. **PHSC 200** is a Physical Sciences course that covers material relevant to Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics. It can be used toward a student's Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Sciences, and Physics requirements, but while it may be applied to any of these requirements, students can only receive credit for the course one time.
 - Because the Physical Sciences major is not discipline-specific major, PHSC 200 can count toward a student's major. If it is taken outside the student's major, it will count toward that student's maximum of six major/minor credits in their options.
- 6. Students may take any of CHEM 495, CHEM 498, EASC 495, EASC 498, PHYS 495 and PHYS 498 for credit a maximum of two times, as long as the course topic is different each time they take it.