Physics 301

Electrodynamic Fields Fall Semester 2007

Room: Seaver Hall 109

Time: MWF 12:00 - 12:50pm

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Required Text: David J. Griffiths – Introduction to Electrodynamics – Third Edition –

Prentice Hall (we will try to cover chapters 1-6 of this book in the first

semester; we will finish the book during the second semester).

Other useful books: Serway – Physics for Scientists and Engineers, Vol.2 – Thomson (for an

elementary introduction to electromagnetism).

(not required) Reitz, Milford & Christy – Foundations of Electromagnetic Theory – Addison

Wesley (another popular undergraduate text).

John D. Jackson - Classical Electrodynamics - Wiley (a leading graduate level

textbook).

Tests: There will be three tests during the semester. They will all count toward your

final grade, so please try not to miss any of them.

Test Dates: TBA

Final Exam: TBA

The final exam is cumulative and is equivalent to 2 tests.

Homework: Homework assignments will be given, typically one for each chapter of the

book. Problem sets will be collected, graded, and will count toward the final grade. Solutions to the problems will be reviewed in class, with student

participation.

Grading: Class Attendance & Participation 10 %

 Homework
 15 %

 Test 1
 15 %

 Test 2
 15 %

 Test 3
 15 %

 Final Exam
 30 %

Grading (approx.): <50%=F; 50-54%=D; 55-69%=C range; 70-84=B range; >84=A range.

Have a good semester. Good luck!