

## Pathway to major in Physics

Year 1 / Level I (not more than 30 units)				
<b>S2</b>	# ^ <a href="#">PHYSICS 1200</a> Physics IB	# <a href="#">MATHS 1011</a> Mathematics IA	** <a href="#">Approved Level I Elective</a>	<a href="#">Approved Level I Elective</a>
<b>Summer</b>	# <a href="#">PHYSICS 1100</a> Physics IA	# <a href="#">MATHS 1012</a> Mathematics IB		
<b>S1</b>	<a href="#">PHYSICS 2510</a> Physics IIA	<a href="#">MATHS 2101</a> Multivariable & Complex Calculus	<a href="#">MATHS 2102</a> Differential Equations	<a href="#">SCIENCE 1400 Science or Fiction I</a>
Year 2 / Level II				
<b>S2</b>	† <a href="#">PHYSICS 2520</a> Physics IIB	<a href="#">PHYSICS 2534</a> Electromagnetism II	‡ <a href="#">PHYSICS 2532</a> Classical Physics II	<a href="#">PHYSICS 2530</a> Astrophysics II or <a href="#">Approved Level I or Level II Elective</a>
<b>S1</b>	‡ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3542</a> Physics III (6 units)		** Δ <a href="#">Approved Level I Elective</a>	<a href="#">Approved Level I or Level II Elective</a>
*Global Experience: The Faculty of Sciences recommends students who want to undertake an exchange in an overseas university plan to go in Semester 2 of Level 2 and/or Semester 1 of Level 3.				
Year 3 / Level III (at least 24 units)				
<b>S2</b>	<a href="#">PHYSICS 3002</a> Experimental Physics III	§‡ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3544</a> Quantum Mechanics III or <a href="#">Approved Level III Elective</a>	§‡ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3006</a> Advanced Dynamics and Relativity III or <a href="#">Approved Level III Elective</a>	§‡ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3540</a> Optics and Photonics III or <a href="#">Approved Level III Elective</a>
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<b>S1</b>	§ ‡ Δ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3534</a> Computational Physics III or <a href="#">Approved Level III Elective</a>	§ <a href="#">PHYSICS 3532</a> Atmospheric and Astrophysics III or <a href="#">Approved Level III Elective</a>		
Year 4/ Level IV (24 units)				
Courses to the value of 24 units, chosen from the <a href="#">Bachelor of Science (Honours)</a> . A Research Pathway or Professional Pathway must be chosen in a specialisation area.				

ALL COURSES ARE WORTH 3 UNITS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

### Key

<b>Core Course</b>	Elective Course	Course for Major
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^ Students commencing mid-year need to have completed SACE Stage 2 Physics, Maths Methods & Specialist Maths

# Check [Course Planner](#) or with the Faculty of Sciences Office to ensure you meet the pre-requisites prior to enrolling into these courses.

\*\* Students who successfully complete CHEM 1101 Foundations of Chemistry IA and CHEM 1201 Foundations of Chemistry IB and who wish to continue their study of Chemistry at Level II will be required to undertake an additional course, CHEM 1312 Foundations of Chemistry IS during Summer School before commencing Level II Chemistry studies.

Δ COMP SCI 1012 or COMP SCI 1011 or COMP SCI 1102 is a pre-requisite for PHYSICS 3534 Computational Physics III

### Enrolment Advice

- It is your responsibility to ensure you are correctly enrolled. Enrolment into courses outside of the Study Plan and Enrolment Advice listed could affect your eligibility to graduate.
- A total of 96 units are required to complete Bachelor of Science (Honours) Direct Entry program.
- No more than 30 units of courses can be completed at Level I.
- At least 24 units of Science courses must be completed at Level III.
- 24 units of courses at level IV must be completed which will include a Research or Professional pathway taken from a specialisation area in the Bachelor of Science (Honours).
- A candidate may substitute an appropriate course chosen from Level II to fulfil the requirements of Level I, or from Level III to fulfil the requirements of Level I or II.
- There is a limitation on the amount of 'Non-Science' courses that can be presented. **Do not assume that because a course is offered through Sciences, that it automatically counts as 'Science'** (e.g. Animal Science courses). Please refer to your [Program Rules](#).
- No level III course may be used to meet the requirements of more than one major. (For example, if *Soil Ecology and Nutrient Cycling* is used to qualify for a Soil Science major, it cannot also be used to qualify for an Ecology Major).

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‡ PHYSICS 2532 Classical Physics II is a pre-requisite for PHYSICS 3006 Advanced Dynamics and Relativity III and PHYSICS 3534 Computational Physics and assumed knowledge for PHYSICS 3542 Physics III and PHYSICS 3544 Quantum Mechanics III.

† PHYSICS 2520 is a pre-requisite for PHYSICS 3540 Optics and Photonics III.

### Complementary Majors

The following majors are often pursued by students as well as the above major, as a complementary field

- Chemistry
- Geology
- Geophysics
- Mathematics

### Enrolment Advice – Courses

- Only ONE of BIOLOGY 1201 Biology I: Human Perspectives or BIOLOGY 1202 Biology I: Organisms may be presented towards the Bachelor of Science.
- The following courses cannot be presented towards the Bachelor of Science:
  - COMP SCI 1003 Internet Computing

### Electives and Broadening

You may complete up to 9 units of 'non-science' elective courses at Level I and/or Level II. Of these courses a maximum of 6 units can be chosen at Level I. Please refer to your Program Rules for electives and all other requirements, including details on how to meet broadening experience <https://calendar.adelaide.edu.au/faculty/sciences>

For information about electives from other Faculties, course restrictions and pre-requisites, search the course planner: <https://access.adelaide.edu.au/courses/search.asp>

- Please consult your [Program Coordinator](#) or contact the Sciences Service Hub for advice.

§ You must complete **at least one** of these courses in addition to PHYSICS 3542 and PHYSICS 3002 to complete the Major.

### Global Experience

The University of Adelaide is committed to offering its students the opportunity to study overseas through an International Experience. This experience is available in a wide range of degrees and can include student exchange (for either one or two full semesters), study tours, internships and placements. There are many exciting opportunities in Europe, Asia, the Americas, Africa, and Oceania ranging from a few weeks to a full academic year.

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### Further Information and Enrolment Advice

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