

**City University of Hong Kong
Course Syllabus**

**offered by Department of Physics
with effect from Semester A 2020 / 21**

Part I Course Overview

Course Title: Advanced Nuclear Medicine Physics

Course Code: PHY8523

Course Duration: One semester

Credit Units: 3

Level: R8

Medium of Instruction: English

Medium of Assessment: English

Prerequisites:
(Course Code and Title) NA

Precursors:
(Course Code and Title) NA

Equivalent Courses:
(Course Code and Title) NA

Exclusive Courses:
(Course Code and Title) PHY6523 Advanced Nuclear Medicine Physics

Part II Course Details

1. Abstract

This course will advance understanding of nuclear medicine for imaging and radiotherapy. Topics covered will include: radionuclide production, transfer, storage, and handling; detection methods; and applications.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

No.	CILOs [#]	Weighting* (if applicable)	Discovery-enriched curriculum related learning outcomes (please tick where appropriate)		
			A1	A2	A3
1.	Radiation physics related to nuclear medicine. Emphasis will be on radioactive decay sources and interactions interaction of high energy photons and particles with heavy metals and body tissues.	50		✓	
2.	Nuclear medicine imaging: principles and applications.	30		✓	
3.	Nuclear medicine therapy: principles and applications.	20		✓	
		100%			

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to self-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

3. Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs)

TLA	Brief Description	CILO No.						Hours/week (if applicable)
		1	2	3	4			
Lecture	Presentation of course material	13	8	5				2
Tutorial	Review of course material	7	4	2				1

4. Assessment Tasks/Activities (ATs)

Assessment Tasks/Activities	CILO No.						Weighting*	Remarks
	1	2	3	4				
Continuous Assessment: 30%								
Monthly assignments	15	9	6				30	
Final examination	35	21	14				70	
Examination: 70% (duration: 2 hours)								
							100%	

5. Assessment Rubrics

Assessment Task	Criterion	Excellent (A+, A, A-)	Good (B+, B, B-)	Fair (C+, C, C-)	Marginal (D)	Failure (F)
1. Exam	Score out of 100	90 - 100	70 - 89	40 - 69	30 - 39	< 30
2. Assignments	Score out of 100	90 - 100	70 - 89	40 - 69	30 - 39	< 30

Part III Other Information

1. Keyword Syllabus

Radiation physics:

- Radionuclide production, transfer, storage, handling, and disposal
- Gamma ray scattering and absorption
- High-energy particle scattering and absorption
- Dosimetry (calculations and measurements)

Imaging applications:

- Uptake measurement
- Scintigraphy
- Single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT)
- Positron emission tomography (PET)

Therapeutic applications:

- Treating thyroid and blood disorders
- Other disorders

2. Reading List

2.1 Compulsory Readings

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2.2 Additional Readings

1.	Radiation Physics for Medical Physicists
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