

University of California, Santa Barbara Program Learning Outcomes

B.A. or B.S. in Physics

Students graduating with a B.A. in Physics will be able to:

- 1. Students will demonstrate proficiency in mathematics and the mathematical concepts needed for a proper understanding of physics.
- 2. Students will demonstrate knowledge of selected topics from classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, electromagnetism, and thermal physics, and be able to apply this knowledge to analyze a broad range of physical phenomena.
- 3. Students will show that they have learned laboratory skills, enabling them to take measurements in a physics laboratory and analyze the measurements to draw valid conclusions.
- 4. Students will be capable of oral and written scientific communication, and will prove that they can think critically and work independently.

Students graduating with a B.S. in Physics will be able to:

- 1. Students will demonstrate proficiency in mathematics and the mathematical concepts needed for a proper understanding of physics.
- Students will demonstrate knowledge of classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, electromagnetism, and thermal physics, and be able to apply this knowledge to analyze a variety of physical phenomena.
- 3. Students will show that they have learned laboratory skills, enabling them to take measurements in a physics laboratory and analyze the measurements to draw valid conclusions.
- 4. Students will be capable of oral and written scientific communication, and will prove that they can think critically and work independently.