

# Physics 130 – Quantum Mechanics

## General Information

course meeting: M W 11:00 – 12:15 pm, Hewlett Teaching Center 103

discussion section (pick one):

T 5:30 – 6:45 pm , room S14, Physics Tutoring Center

Th 5:30 – 6:45 pm , room S14, Physics Tutoring Center

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Textbook: D. J. Griffiths, Introduction to Quantum Mechanics, 2nd ed.

Web page: <http://www.slac.stanford.edu/~mpeskin/Physics130/>

The course syllabus, lecture notes, and problem sets and solutions and links to the recommended reading will be posted on the course web page.

Brief course outline:

- Solutions of Schrödinger's equation
- Basic Principle of Quantum Mechanics
- Simple Quantum Systems; Spin
- Entanglement, Quantum Weirdness

The course grade will be based on the following ingredients:

- 1% for turning in the Math Diagnostic by Friday, Jan. 11
- 4% for attending the discussion sections
- 35% for the problem sets
- 20% for the midterm exam
- 40% for the final exam

Students are encouraged to collaborate in solving the homework problems. However, each student should write up his or her solutions individually. Some homework problems will require numerical solutions, for which you should use an appropriate tool (e.g. MatLab or Mathematica). In general, problems that are not explicitly numerical will be solvable with pencil and paper, and part of the exercise is to learn how.