

PHY 4523 Spring 2001 – Schedule for Week of March 12–16

- Kevin Ingersent will be out of town the entire week. There will be no lectures given during scheduled class periods, and no office hours during the Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:30–11:30 time slots.
- There will be alternative activities scheduled for each of the three lecture slots this week. These activities will be supervised by the PHY 4523 grader, Mr. Minghan Chen (mhchen@phys.ufl.edu).
- On Monday March 12, there will be an office hour held in lieu of the lecture. Mr. Chen will be available from 3:00 to 3:50 pm in NPB 1011 to answer questions about the sample midterm, past homeworks, or material covered in lectures.
- On Wednesday March 14 and Friday March 16, the mid-term exam will be administered in the lecture slots. The two parts of the exam will be held in the regular class meeting room, NPB 1011.
- The exam will cover all material introduced in the course (lectures and/or homework) through the end of the section on classical systems of noninteracting particles—see the online list of topics at www.phys.ufl.edu/~kevin/teaching/4523/01spring/topics.html.
- The exam will emphasize application of statistical mechanics to describe simple systems rather than questions about general formalism or proof of standard equations. The examples presented in class and the sample mid-term together provide the best indication of the type of questions to expect. The length and mathematical difficulty of the problems will generally be less than those encountered in the homework, although the exam questions may be derived from the homework.
- You should bring writing implements to the exam. You may also bring a calculator, the texts by Reif and Callen, your lecture notes, and solutions to course homework or the sample exam. No other aids will be permitted.
- **You should check on Monday March 12 for any changes to the preceding instructions.** Any such changes will be posted outside Kevin Ingersent's office and also online at www.phys.ufl.edu/~kevin/teaching/4523/01spring/announce.html .