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PHYSICS FAQs

Can I major/minor?
- Major
- Minor

What are related majors/minors?
- Engineering
- Mathematics
- Computer Science

What skills will I learn?
- Technical knowledge
- Problem solving
- Experimental techniques
- Professional communication

What are the most popular classes I can take?
- Calculus
- Modern Physics
- Engineering Thermodynamics
- Quantum Mechanics
- Electromagnetism
- Electricity and Magnetism

How can I get involved?
- Physics Club
- Kappa Mu Epsilon (mathematics honor society)
- Chemistry Club
- SCATE (Students Concerned About The Environment)

What kinds of jobs do graduates get?
- R&D Electrical Engineer, Musco Sports Lighting, Oskalossa, Iowa
- Product Engineer, Pella Corp., Pella, Iowa
- Technical Services Engineer, Epic Systems Corp., Verona, Wis.
- Medical Imaging Physicist Duke University Health System Durham, N.C.

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