

**DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS****QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT****Subject:** PHY20MEC**Year:** S1 2005

<b>Outcomes:</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>No. of Students</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
	A	12	20%
	B	4	7%
	C	7	11%
	D	4	7%
	N	24	39%
	W	0	0%
	NS	10	16%

**Overall Pass-Rate:** 45%

(note this is a year long course; laboratory marks are yet to be included in the overall grade)

**Questionnaire Responses:****Answers to set questions:**

Student responses for all questions fell in the relatively narrow range of 3.3 – 4.4 out of a possible score of 5. Most favourable responses referred to appropriateness of the amount and type of assessment (4.0), assistance provided by tutorials and homework (4.0), assistance provide by web-based notes (4.4) and efforts made by tutors and demonstrators to explain things clearly (4.0). Students were most negative about the usefulness of feedback on assessments (3.3) and seeing clearly how the various parts of the unit fitted together (3.5). On average, students committed 1.8 hours of non-class time to this unit per week.

Additional information is provided in the written responses discussed in the next section

**Issues raised by students:**

Relatively few written comments were provided

***Positive comments***

Positive comments were received about the lecturer, lecture style, lecture content and explanations and tutorials.

***Negative comments***

A number of respondents suggested shorter laboratory sessions to allow for additional tutorial and lecture time for the unit. A great number of shorter assignments was suggested to better co-ordinate with lecture materials. The use of more worked examples in lecture time was also recommended.

**Actions taken:**

- None; this course terminates at the end of 2005. Comments about style and frequency of assignment tasks at Year 2 level have been considered and a number of lecturers are offering more frequent assignment tasks.

**Feedback to students:**

None so far



Signed: .....

**Co-ordinator**

10 October 2005  
Date:.....

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**Head of Department**

Date:.....