Choosing the Right Physics Pathway
The following information will guide students in selecting the best 2+2 pathway for their career and education goals:
Students intending to pursue graduate studies in physics or astrophysics should follow the pathway for either the General Physics or Astrophysics concentration. The pathway for the Applied Physics concentration is recommended for students who plan to pursue fundamental or applied research and development in industrial or government laboratories. The Computational Physics Concentration is designed to provide students with strong scientific, technical and computational skills necessary for employment in a STEM profession; it is not recommended if students wish to pursue graduate studies in physics.

Section 1: Course Completion Plan for Carroll Community College
This section outlines the courses to take for the Carroll Community College general education and program requirements in order to complete both Carroll Community College and TU degrees within a total of 4 years and 120 credits. The following tables do not include any nontransferable or prerequisite coursework outside of the curriculum.

Table 1: General Education Courses Applied to TU Core Curriculum

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<td>English Composition</td>
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<td>Biological &amp; Physical Sciences</td>
<td>CHEM 105 Principles of General Chemistry I</td>
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<td>Biological &amp; Physical Sciences</td>
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<td>General Education Elective</td>
<td>PHYS 212 Physics II for Scientists &amp; Engineers</td>
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<td>English Literature</td>
<td>ENGL 102 Writing about Literature</td>
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<td>ENGL TLL English Elective</td>
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Total general education applied to the TU Core Curriculum: 34 credits
Completing the courses in Table 1 will satisfy the general education program at Carroll CC. Upon transferring to TU, students will receive a core package that satisfies most of the TU Core Curriculum without the need for course-by-course placement in specific Core Curriculum requirements. Students will only need to complete two Core Curriculum requirements at TU: Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) and Ethical Perspectives (Core 14). If an ethics course is taken as one of the Arts & Humanities requirements at Carroll CC, students will complete a different requirement than Core 14.

Table 2: Program Requirements and Electives Applied to TU Degree

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<td>MATH 205 Multivariable Calculus</td>
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Total program requirements applied to the TU degree: 26 credits
Total transferred to TU: 60 credits

Students may transfer a maximum of 64 credits. If students do not adhere to the courses outlined above in Tables 1 and 2, they are not guaranteed completion of the bachelor’s degree in 2 years. Refer to section 2 for specific course details and transfer planning information.
Section 2: Carroll Community College Course Selection Details
This section explains any specific course selections made in section 1 and provides transfer information specific to this degree plan. Students will complete all non-physics courses required for the TU Physics major at Carroll CC. If students do not complete the courses outlined in this agreement, they will be required to complete outstanding requirements at TU.

GENERAL EDUCATION
Students should be aware of the following information when completing their general education requirements:

- It is recommended that all students complete both a mathematics and English course within their first 12 credit hours.
- **General Education Mathematics:** MATH 135 satisfies a required course for the major at TU (MATH 273). Students who must take pre-calculus may end up taking more than 60 credits for the associate degree.
- **General Education Biological and Physical Science:** CHEM 105 satisfies the non-physics requirement for the General Physics concentration at TU (CHEM 131 & 131L). PHYS 111 satisfies required course for the major at TU (PHYS 241).
- **General Education Elective:** PHYS 212 satisfies a required course for the major at TU (PHYS 242).
- **ENGL 102** satisfies both the English Composition and Diversity requirements at Carroll CC.
- Students should select courses that appeal to their personal or professional interests to satisfy Arts and Humanities and Social & Behavioral Science requirements. All courses that satisfy these general education categories at Carroll will transfer and apply to TU’s Core Curriculum. Courses for which TU does not have a direct equivalency will be assigned a lower level elective in the same discipline (e.g. COMM TLL).

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
The following courses will satisfy required courses in the major at TU:

- **Program Requirement:** MATH 136 satisfies a required course for the major at TU (MATH 274).
- **Program Requirement:** MATH 205 satisfies a non-physics requirement for the general physics concentration at TU (MATH 275). This course is only offered at Carroll in the fall term.
- **Program Requirement:** MATH 215 satisfies a non-physics requirement for the general physics concentration at TU (MATH 374). This course is only offered at Carroll in the spring term and transfers to TU as MATH T74, a lower-level equivalent of MATH 374.
- **Program Requirement:** CHEM 106 satisfies a non-physics requirement for the general physics concentration at TU (CHEM 132 & 132L).
- **Program Requirement:** PHYS 213 satisfies a required course for the major at TU (PHYS 243).
PROGRAM ELECTIVES
Students must note the following information about their program electives:

- **MATH 210 Linear Algebra** is recommended as preparation for upper-level courses in the major at TU.
- The remaining program electives may be satisfied by a course of the student’s choosing.

LOWER-LEVEL EQUIVALENTS OF UPPER-LEVEL COURSES
A course number beginning with T indicates that a course transfers as a lower-level equivalent of an upper-level TU course. MATH T74 will satisfy a major requirement but will not count toward the TU degree requirement for 32 upper-level units.
Section 3: Degree Requirements to Be Completed at TU
This section outlines the remaining degree requirements for students transferring into the General Physics concentration of the Physics major. Refer to section 4 for university-wide degree requirements.

CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: 6 UNITS
Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar
Core 14 Ethical Issues and Perspectives

REQUIRED PHYSICS COURSES FOR ALL PHYSICS MAJORS: 22 UNITS
PHYS 185 Introductory Honors Seminar in Physics (1 unit)
PHYS 270 Computers in Physics (4 units)
PHYS 307 Introductory Mathematical Physics (3 units)
PHYS 311 Modern Physics I (3 units)
PHYS 341 Intermediate Physics Laboratory I (3 units)
PHYS 351 Mechanics (4 units)
PHYS 354 Electricity & Magnetism (4 units)

GENERAL PHYSICS CONCENTRATION – ADVANCED PHYSICS COURSES: 23 UNITS
PHYS 312 Modern Physics II (3 units)
PHYS 342 Intermediate Physics Laboratory II (3 units)
PHYS 352 Thermodynamics and Kinetic Theory (3 units)
PHYS 385 Physics Seminar (1 unit)
PHYS 455 Introductory Quantum Mechanics (3 units)
PHYS 486 Physics Seminar II (1 unit)
Upper Level PHYS or ASTR Electives (9 units)

GENERAL ELECTIVES: 9 UNITS
The total number of electives required is determined by subtracting the total units completed for the major and Core Curriculum from 120 units. General elective units can be satisfied by additional major electives or courses for personal interest.
Section 4: Additional Requirements for TU Degree Completion

BACHELOR’S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS:
- A C (2.0) or higher is required in all major courses and prerequisites.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 is required.
- 32 units of the bachelor’s degree must be completed at the upper level (courses numbered 300 or above).

Degree Completion Summary

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