

Fall 2021 Preliminary Examination Dates

Part A: Monday, August 9, 2021

Part B: Wednesday, August 11, 2021

Part C: Friday, August 13, 2021

Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Location: Room 184, Nieuwland Science Hall

The exam is closed book.

What to Bring:

- Mathematical Handbook of Formulas and Tables*.
- Reference sheet. You may bring one page of notes to the exam (in your own handwriting, and you can use both sides), containing definitions, relations, etc.
- Dictionary. If English is not your native language, you may bring a dictionary to use to clarify any unfamiliar English terms.
- Pens

What not to Bring:

- Do not bring electronic devices (calculators are not needed nor permitted)
- Any additional materials
- Backpacks
- Cell phones

Read Section 4.4 of The Guide for Graduate Students

https://physics.nd.edu/assets/403671/20_21_guideforgraduatestudents.pdf

* Mathematical Handbook. You will be expected to bring a copy of the Mathematical Handbook of Formulas and Tables. Reserve copies are available for you to check out from the library through the Physics Department. (You may alternatively use your personal copy, if you prefer. However, you may not have any notes in the Handbook. Therefore, be sure to look to see if your personal copy has any markings. If so, be sure to check out an unmarked reserve copy to bring to the exam instead.) If you are not already proficient with using the Mathematical Handbook, it is strongly recommended that you familiarize yourself with the organization of information in advance, so you can find information (identities, integrals and derivatives, special functions and polynomials) quickly, when needed.