

Course at a Glance

Plan

The course at a glance provides a useful visual organization of the AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism curricular components, including:

- Sequence of units, along with approximate weighting and suggested pacing. Please note, pacing options are provided for teaching the course in a single semester or a full year.
- Progression of topics within each unit.
- Spiraling of the big ideas and science practices across units.

Teach

SCIENCE PRACTICES

Science practices are spiraled throughout the course.

1 Visual Representations	4 Data Analysis
2 Question and Method	5 Theoretical Relationships
3 Representing Data and Phenomena	6 Mathematical Routines
	7 Argumentation

+ Indicates 3 or more skills/practices suggested for a given topic. The individual topic page will show all the suggested skills.

BIG IDEAS

Big Ideas spiral across topics and units.

CHG Change	FIE Fields
ACT Force Interactions	CNV Conservation

Assess

Assign the Personal Progress Checks—either as homework or in class—for each unit. Each Personal Progress Check contains formative multiple-choice and free-response questions. The feedback from the Personal Progress Checks shows students the areas where they need to focus.

UNIT
1

Electrostatics

~20/~40 Class Periods

26–34% AP Exam Weighting

ACT 1 6	1.1 Electrostatics: Charge and Coulomb's Law
FIE +	1.2 Electrostatics: Electric Field and Electric Potential
CNV +	1.3 Electrostatics: Electric Potential Due to Point Charges and Uniform Fields
CNV 1 5	1.4 Electrostatics: Gauss's Law
CNV 6 7	1.5 Electrostatics: Fields and Potentials of Other Charge Distributions

UNIT
2

Conductors, Capacitors, Dielectrics

~9/~18 Class Periods

14–17% AP Exam Weighting

ACT +	2.1 Conductors, Capacitors, Dielectrics: Electrostatics with Conductors
CNV +	2.2 Conductors, Capacitors, Dielectrics: Capacitors
FIE +	2.3 Conductors, Capacitors, Dielectrics: Dielectrics

Personal Progress Check 1

Multiple-Choice: ~35 questions
Free-Response: 1 question

Personal Progress Check 2

Multiple-Choice: ~30 questions
Free-Response: 1 question

**UNIT
3**

Electric Circuits

~13/~26 Class Periods **17–23%** AP Exam Weighting

FIE +	3.1 Electric Circuits: Current and Resistance
CNV +	3.2 Electric Circuits: Current, Resistance, and Power
CNV +	3.3 Electric Currents: Steady-State Direct- Current Circuits with Batteries and Resistors Only
CNV +	3.4 Electrostatics: Gauss’s Law

Personal Progress Check 3

Multiple-Choice: ~35 questions
Free-Response: 1 question

**UNIT
4**

Magnetic Fields

~13/~26 Class Periods **17–23%** AP Exam Weighting

CHG +	4.1 Magnetic Fields: Forces on Moving Charges in Magnetic Fields
FIE +	4.2 Magnetic Fields: Forces on Current Carrying Wires in Magnetic Fields
FIE +	4.3 Magnetic Fields: Fields of Long Current Carrying Wires
CNV 5 7	4.4 Magnetic Fields: Biot–Savart Law and Ampère’s Law

Personal Progress Check 4

Multiple-Choice: ~30 questions
Free-Response: 1 question

**UNIT
5**

Electromagnetism

~10/~20 Class Periods **14–20%** AP Exam Weighting

FIE CNV ACT +	5.1 Electromagnetism: Electromagnetic Induction (Including Faraday’s Law and Lenz’s Law)
CNV +	5.2 Electromagnetism: Inductance (Including LR circuits)
CNV +	5.3 Electromagnetism: Maxwell’s Equations

Personal Progress Check 5

Multiple-Choice: ~25 questions
Free-Response: 1 question