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Introduction to Nuclear and Hadron Physics

Course code: FSC410138 Credit hours: 4 Duration: 18 weeks

DESCRIPTION: Introduction to fundamentals properties and models of atomic nucleus. Introduction to the concepts of quantum field theories and elementary particles physics. Introduction to nucleon-nucleon interactions and hadronic models involving mesons and quarks. Development of recent topics of research.

COURSE CONTENT:

- 1. Atomic nucleus: basic properties and their constituents.
- 2. Nuclear phenomenology: size and shape of the nucleus. Radioactivity: alpha, beta, and gamma decays. Nuclear masses, semi-empirical mass formula, nuclear matter.
- 3. Phenomenology and properties of nuclear force.
- 4. Nuclear models: nuclear spectroscopy. Shell model, pairing and spin-orbit interaction. Fission and fusion.
- 5. Fundamental interactions: introduction to relativistic quantum mechanics and quantum field theory. Introduction to elementary particles, their symmetries and conservation laws. Introduction to quantum chromodynamics and standard model.
- 6. Mesonic theory of nuclear force.
- 7. Effective models: relativistic and non-relativistic mean-field hadronic models. Quarks models (Nambu-Jona-Lasinio, sigma model, etc).
- 8. Advanced topics: current developments in nuclear and hadron physics.

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- 5. M. Thomsom, *Modern Particle Physics*, Oxford University Press, 2013.
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- 7. Related articles.