

Stanford Physics Ph.D.  
**PETITION TO WAIVE or SUBSTITUTE COURSE/DEGREE REQUIREMENT**  
SUBMIT ONE FORM FOR EACH REQUEST

This form is to be used to request a waiver of a core course or Ph.D. degree requirement, **excluding breadth requirement courses**.

Waiving or substituting a course does not reduce the number of credits required for your graduate degree, but does provide opportunity for additional electives. This waiver will be approved only if you have gained equivalent content and skills from another course.

**PROCEDURE:**

You are required to attach a copy of the syllabus for the substitute course and transcript showing a grade of B or better.

1. Consult with and receive approval from a faculty member who has recently taught or is currently teaching the course. If you are not sure who should approve your substitution or waiver request, please consult with Student Services staff in the Physics Main Office, Varian 208.
2. Bring this approval form to the Graduate Student Services Office for approval by Graduate Study Committee Chair.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Request Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SUID#: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_@stanford.edu

**SUBSTITUTE**

**Required SU Course for**

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Equivalent Course

DEPT: \_\_\_\_\_

Course #: \_\_\_\_\_

Course #: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Author of Text(s) used in course:

\_\_\_\_\_

Course Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for request: \_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVE**

**SU Ph.D. Requirement**

Requirement: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for request: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature

Date

**To Be Completed by Course Instructor**

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Not Approved      Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Instructor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

**To Be Completed by Chair of Graduate Studies**

\_\_\_\_\_ Approve \_\_\_\_\_ Not Approved      Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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Chair of Graduate Studies Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name