



SOFIA UNIVERSITY ST. KLIMENY OHRIDSKI

FACULTY: Physics

CURRICULUM

Approved by:

Approved by the Academic Council with Record of Proceedings
№ /

Professional Field: 4.1 Physical Sciences

Educational and Qualification Degree: „Master”

Area of Study: Physics

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/Master's Degree Program: Quantum Technologies (in English)

Form of Study: full time

Length of Study (number of weeks*-/): 45 weeks (3 semesters)

Professional Qualification: Master in Physics – Quantum Technologies

Qualification Description

Master's Degree Program:

1. Aims and Educational Objectives

The master's program aims to train highly qualified specialists who can successfully work in the field of quantum technologies, including quantum computing, quantum simulations, quantum sensing, quantum communications, quantum control and quantum theory. All lecturers in this master program hold PhD or DCs degrees and have undergone extensive doctoral and/or postdoctoral specializations at renowned universities in Europe.

2. Admission of students (knowledge and skills required for a successful professional realization; general and theoretical background, specific areas of study, etc.)

The Master's program "Quantum Technologies" is intended for specialists with a completed bachelor's degree in the field of physical sciences, as well as bachelors in other related fields (computer science, mathematics, applied mathematics, engineering sciences, etc.).

3. Description of the educational content (knowledge and skills required for a successful professional realization; general and theoretical background, specific areas of study, etc.)

The training is organized in three semesters according to a curriculum in the amount of 780 hours (75 credits) for lecture courses and 60 hours (5 credits) of internship, which ends with a Master Thesis defense (15 credits). All lectures and seminars are in English. The preparation of the Master Thesis is carried out in parallel with classroom training in the third semester. The total number of elective courses is 10, with the minimum number of elective courses being 5 – 1 course (4 credits) in the first semester, 2 courses (10 credits) in the second semester and 2 courses (10 credits) in the third semester.

Students have the right, after an approval by the head of the master's program, to replace two of the optional courses with courses from another master's program in the Faculty of Physics.

The training is carried out by a team of teachers from the Departments of Theoretical Physics, Optics and Spectroscopy, Physics of Condensed Matter and Microelectronics and Teaching Methods in Physics of the Faculty of Physics and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.

Of particular importance is the presence of the powerful computing system (Physon cluster) at the Faculty of Physics, as well as the Nestum cluster in Sofia Techpark, which can be used in the training of the students and the preparation of their Master Thesis.

The Master's program has an e-mail address: qinfo@phys.uni-sofia.bg.

4. Professional and general competences, specific competences

The knowledge and skills acquired within the framework of the Master program "Quantum Technologies" allow its graduates to successfully engage in the scientific research process and work on projects in the field of quantum technologies, including quantum computation, quantum metrology, quantum sensing, quantum simulations, quantum communications, quantum cryptography and quantum theory.

5. Professional realization (according to the National Classification of Occupations in the Republic of Bulgaria /based on the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO)/ and in reference to the place of the future specialists in the National Qualifications Framework for higher education and the European Qualifications Framework for higher education)

After successful completion of the program, Masters in "Quantum Technologies" receive a professional qualification that enables them to realize and work as professors in universities, scientists in scientific research institutes and researchers in high-tech companies in the field of quantum technologies.

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Program code

Bachelor's Degree Program "Quantum, Nuclear and Particle Physics"

admission winter semester of 2024/2025 academic year

№	Course Code	Course Title	Type- C, E, O	Semester	ECTS credits	Classes - total number					Classes per week	Assessment* - e, ca, ce, cont.
						Total	Lectures	Seminars	Practical Classes/ Observation	Self study		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

Core Subjects

1	H	2	3	8	Linear Algebra and Analytical Geometry	C	1	8	240	60	60	0	120	4+4+0	E
2	H	2	3	9	Calculus of a Function of a Single Real Variable	C	1	8	240	60	60	0	120	4+4+0	E
3	H	2	3	0	Mechanics	C	1	10	300	45	30	45	180	3+2+3	E
4	H	2	4	1	Programming in Unix Environment	C	1	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	CE
5	H	2	4	2	Calculus of a Function of Several Real Variables	C	2	8	240	60	60	0	120	4+4+0	E
6	H	2	4	3	Calculus of Complex Functions	C	2	4	120	30	30	0	60	2+2+0	E
7	H	2	4	4	Probability and Statistics in Physics	C	2	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	E
8	H	2	4	5	Molecular Physics	C	2	9	270	30	30	45	165	2+2+3	E
9	H	2	4	6	Object-oriented Programming	C	2	5	150	45	30	0	75	3+2+0	CE
10	H	2	4	7	Vectors and Tensors	C	3	5	150	30	30	0	90	2+2+0	E
11	H	2	4	8	Ordinary Differential Equations	C	3	5	150	30	30	0	90	2+2+0	E
12	H	2	4	9	Electricity and Magnetism	C	3	10	300	60	30	45	165	4+2+3	E
13	H	2	5	0	Basics of Electronics	C	3	6	180	30	0	45	105	2+0+3	E

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e-exam, ca-current assessment
ce-combined examination
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14	H	2	5	1	Partial Differential Equations	C	4	4	120	30	30	0	60	2+2+0	E
15	H	2	5	2	Theoretical Mechanics	C	4	6.5	195	60	30	0	105	4+2+0	E
16	H	2	5	3	Optics	C	4	9.5	285	60	15	45	165	4+1+3	E
17	H	2	5	4	Programming and Computational Physics	C	4	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	E
18	H	2	5	5	Atomic Physics and Interaction of Ionizing Radiation with Matter	C	5	10	300	45	30	45	180	3+2+3	E
19	H	2	5	6	Electrodynamics	C	5	6	180	60	30	0	90	4+2+0	E
20	H	2	5	7	Basic Quantum Mechanics	C	5	6	180	60	30	0	90	4+2+0	E
21	H	2	5	8	Nuclear Physics	C	6	9.5	285	45	30	45	165	3+2+3	E
22	H	2	5	9	Advanced Quantum Mechanics	C	6	5.5	165	45	30	0	90	3+2+0	E
23	H	2	6	0	Nuclear Electronics	C	6	6	180	45	0	45	90	3+0+3	E
24	H	2	6	1	Detectors of Ionizing Radiation	C	6	5	150	30	30	0	90	2+2+0	E
25	H	2	6	2	Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics	C	7	7	210	60	30	0	120	4+2+0	E
26	H	2	6	3	Introduction to Particle Physics	C	7	7.5	225	45	30	30	120	3+2+2	E
27	H	2	6	4	Astrophysics	C	7	4	120	45	15	0	60	3+1+0	E
28	H	2	6	5	Dosimetry and Radiation Protection	C	7	7.5	225	45	0	60	120	3+0+4	E
29	H	2	6	6	Advanced Particle Physics	C	8	5	150	45	30	0	75	3+2+0	E
30	H	2	6	7	Theoretical Nuclear Physics	C	8	5	150	45	30	0	75	3+2+0	E
31	H	2	6	8	Experimental Nuclear Physics	C	8	6	180	45	0	45	90	3+0+3	E

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Elective courses - Students may enroll in elective courses from the attached list, or from the general list of elective courses in English for The Faculty of Physics or from the mandatory specialized courses in English for other specialties in the Faculty of Physics. The electable disciplines must carry a minimum of 4 credits in the 3th semester, a minimum of 6 credits in the 4th semester, a minimum of 8 credits in the 5th semester, a minimum of 4 credits in the 6th semester, a minimum of 4 credits in the 7th semester and a minimum of 4 credits in the 8th semester.

1	H	2	6	9	Introduction to Machine Learning	E	3 or 5	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	CE
2	H	2	7	0	Data Analysis	E	3 or 5	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	CE
3	H	2	7	1	Relativistic Mechanics	E	4 or 6	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	E
4	H	2	7	2	Data Bases	E	4	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	E
5	H	2	7	3	Functional Analysis	E	4	3	90	45	0	0	45	3+0+0	E
6	H	2	7	4	Physical Applications of the Group Theory	E	5 or 7	5	150	45	30	0	75	3+2+0	E
7	H	2	7	5	General Astronomy	E	5	4	120	30	0	30	60	2+0+2	CE
8	H	2	7	6	Nuclear Reactions	E	6	4	120	45	0	0	75	3+0+0	E
9	H	2	7	7	Nuclear Astrophysics	E	6	4.5	135	45	15	0	75	3+1+0	CE
10	H	2	7	8	Introduction to Monte Carlo Simulations of Radiation Transport	E	6	4.5	135	30	0	30	75	2+0+2	CE
11	H	2	7	9	Gravitation	E	6 or 8	4	120	30	30	0	60	2+2+0	E
12	H	2	8	0	Introduction to Quantum Field Theory	E	7	6	180	45	30	0	105	3+2+0	E
13	H	2	8	1	Introduction to Quantum Technologies	E	7	5	150	45	30	0	75	3+2+0	E
14	H	2	8	2	Particle Accelerators	E	7	4	120	45	15	0	60	3+1+0	E
15	H	2	8	3	Cosmology and Elementary Particles	E	8	4	120	45	15	0	60	3+1+0	CE
16	H	2	8	4	Nuclear Symmetries	E	8	5	150	45	0	30	75	3+0+2	E
17	H	2	8	5	Quantum Computation	E	8	5	150	45	0	30	75	3+0+2	CE
18	H	2	8	6	Quantum Simulations and Quantum Metrology	E	8	5	150	45	0	30	75	3+0+2	CE

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Optional courses - Sports classes are compulsory in the first four semesters

1	H	1	5	3	Sport	O	1 - 8	1	30	0	30				CE
2	H	1	5	8	Bulgarian language as a foreign language I	O	1	4	120	0	60	0	60	0+4+0	CE
3	H	1	5	9	Bulgarian language as a foreign language II	O	2	4	120	0	60	0	60	0+4+0	CE
4	H	1	6	0	Bulgarian language as a foreign language III	O	3	4	120	0	60	0	60	0+4+0	CE
5	H	1	6	1	Bulgarian language as a foreign language IV	O	4	4	120	0	60	0	60	0+4+0	CE

Degree Completion

Form of degree completion	ECTS credits	First State Exam Session	Second State Exam Session
Defence of a Diploma thesis	10	July	September

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