## Academic Year 2008/09 Assessment Report Physics Department Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

The Physics Department at Wichita State University offers a B.S. and B.A. in Physics. We also offer introductory Physics classes for engineering, pre-medical and education majors. The Wichita State University Physics Dept. has a nationally endorsed Society of Physics Students SPS organization and places students into Physics graduate studies elsewhere, most recently our best graduate went to the Harvard University in Boston, last student went to KU for graduate studies and the previous year student has just got accepted into Univ. of Colorado at Boulder. The majority of students taking our Physics courses are in accredited majors like engineering, education or chemistry; many of these test stu

Thus we aspire to numerical proof of good learned outcomes through systematic administration of standardized examinations which gives us our rank nationally. For our introductory courses at the 200- and 300-level, these exams are the AP tests at the B and C levels, respectively. For our undergraduate Physics majors we judge their performance by results from the GRE Physics test.

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