



Physics and Everyday Thinking

Indicates a research-demonstrated benefit

Overview

A guided-inquiry conceptual physics course designed to help students develop a deep conceptual understanding of big ideas in physics.

Type of Method Full curriculum

Designed for: Teacher Prep Course 🤏

Can be adapted for: Teacher Professional Development, High School, Intro

College Conceptual

n Setting Designed for: Studio

Can be adapted for: Lecture - Small (<30 students) 🤏 , Lab

Coverage Few topics with great depth

Topics
Mechanics, Electricity / Magnetism, Waves / Optics

Instructor Effort Medium

Resource Needs Computers for students, Advanced lab equipment, Cost for students, Tables for

group work

Designed for: Conceptual understanding 📦 , Metacognition 🛸 , Using

Skills multiple representations

Can be adapted for: Making real-world connections

Based on research into: theories of how students learn 🤏 , student ideas

about specific topics 🤏

Research

Validation

Demonstrated to improve: conceptual understanding , beliefs and attitudes

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Studied using: research at multiple institutions

Compatible

PhET, JiTT, Physlets, SCALE-UP, OSP, LA Program, CPU

Methods

Similar Methods PBI, PSET, LEPS

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Website
http://petproject.sdsu.edu/





