

Essential Skills Schedule and Information

Website for Essential Skills Assignments: <https://essentialskills.osu.edu>

(Contact: physics-essential-skills@lists.service.ohio-state.edu)

The Essential Skills assignments are designed to help you improve your **accuracy and fluency** in basic skills necessary for introductory physics. Some of the assignments may seem like “review” for you. You may already know how to correctly answer some questions, and some of them may be new to you. But it is not just about getting them correct (accuracy), it is also about **fluency**. It is important to be able to do these basic skills quickly and effortlessly so you can be more successful on deeper, more complex problem solving. The Essential Skills assignments are based on years of empirical research and development and are shown to dramatically help students build their accuracy and fluency!

Schedule of Essential Skills Units Autumn 2018

	Unit Opens	Unit Closes	Unit can be found via. . .
Unit 1	8/21/2018 @ 12:00PM	8/26/2018 @ 11:59PM	essentialskills.osu.edu
Unit 2	8/28/2018 @ 12:00PM	9/2/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 3	9/4/2018 @ 12:00PM	9/9/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 4	9/11/2018 @ 12:00PM	9/16/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 5	9/18/2018 @ 12:00PM	9/23/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 6	9/25/2018 @ 12:00PM	9/30/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 7	10/2/2018 @ 12:00PM	10/7/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 8	10/9/2018 @ 12:00PM	10/14/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 9	10/16/2018 @ 12:00PM	10/21/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 10	10/23/2018 @ 12:00PM	10/28/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 11	10/30/2018 @ 12:00PM	11/4/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 12	11/6/2018 @ 12:00PM	11/11/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Unit 13	11/13/2018 @ 12:00PM	11/18/2018 @ 11:59PM	
Thanksgiving Break (11/21/2018 – 11/25/2018)			
Unit 14	11/27/2018 @ 12:00PM	12/2/2018 @ 11:59PM	

More About Open and Close Dates

- Extended access will **not** be granted to individual students. Mark your calendars!

Grading Scheme and Missed Assignment Policy

- The Essential Skills Units make up a small percentage of your final grade.
- Units 1 and 14 are participation graded. If you give an *honest effort* and *complete the entire assignment*, you will receive full credit for these two assignments.
- Units 2-13 are graded based on completion. If you *master all skills* for a given Unit, you will receive full credit, regardless of how many questions you got right or wrong along the way. We will drop the lowest score from assignments 2-13.

Contact Information and Technical Issues

- If you have issues with the application, please first check the “troubleshooting” page.
- If this does not help and you are still having trouble, *do not email your professor or TA*, as they can only forward your emails to us, which delays our response time.
- **Write to us directly at physics-essential-skills@lists.service.ohio-state.edu**
- Please sure to include a description of the problem *and any relevant screenshots*.