I’m a big fan of keeping things as affordable as possible. Unfortunately there’s a lot of truth in the adage “you get what you pay for.” In other words, if it’s free it’s probably not worth much. Life does provide us some exceptions to this principle, but a college course usually isn’t one of them.

For Physics 4C, you will need to buy:

- **Textbook for lecture.** One book. The cost should be somewhere between $5 and $300, depending on which version you choose and where you get it. Most of you probably already have the text from 4A.

- **Access to Webassign.com.** It’s $29.95 and is the tradeoff for being able to use earlier editions of the text. See *Physics 4C Homework Information* for details.

- **A cheap calculator** (if you don’t already have one.) The simple calculators that have trig functions but are non-programmable cost somewhere less than $15. You should be able to find one for under $10.

- **Notebooks!** It’s entirely up to you how you take notes, but I would recommend at least one appropriate notebook for lab work. The lab notebooks are the smaller ones with the black cover, sewn binding, graph paper inside.

There is no lab manual to buy for Physics 4C; I will either write and post a lab outlines to the website, or I will simply introduce the procedure at the beginning of the lab session. I haven’t visited the bookstore lately, but I know they usually have several items for sale related to Physics 4C that are labeled “recommended”. These items could certainly be useful, but the “recommendation” of these items is from the bookstore and was not initiated by me. *(Note: this is generally true of most of the items the bookstore lists as “recommended” for your courses. The bookstore recommends them in an effort to be helpful, not necessarily because your professor thinks you need them.)*