

A CASE STUDY ON THE TEACHING OF PHYSICS OF SOUND AND ACOUSTICS IN BRAZILIAN FEDERAL PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

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Acoustics and the Physics of Sound are interdisciplinary subjects that can involve many different areas of study, such as Physics, Engineering, Architecture, Urbanism, and Environment Education. In Brazil, most of the research studies and development works in Acoustics come from postgraduate programs of federal public universities, especially mechanical engineering ones, and there is only one specific undergraduate course of Acoustical Engineering in the country, offered by the Federal University of Santa Maria. The absence of studies about the institutions that research Acoustics and Physics of Sound motivated the present systematic bibliographic work, aiming to verify which are the undergraduate and postgraduate courses in Physics, Engineering, and Architecture in Brazilian federal public universities that offer disciplines related to this area. The methodology for the analysis used databases: the Sucupira platform of the CAPES institution (a branch of the Brazilian Ministry of Education) and the Lattes platform of the CNPq institution (a branch of the Brazilian Ministry of Science and Technology); in which all the evaluated and recognized undergraduate and postgraduate programs in Brazil are included. The conclusions made it possible to identify the concentration of courses on acoustics and physics of sound, providing scope for different analyses, such as discussions about curriculum contents, the deficiencies in student formation in the area, and the paths for collaborative scientific interactions in this area of knowledge.

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