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PHYS 320-001: Solar System Astronomy

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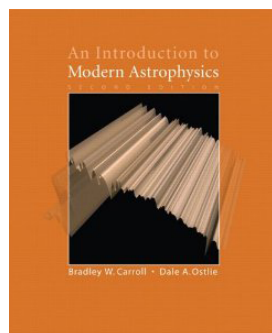
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Introduction to Modern Astrophysics

(2nd Edition)

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Phys 320: Solar System Astronomy (Fall 2019)

This course will use the Canvas Learning Management System. Log on at canvas.njit.edu (<http://canvas.njit.edu>). We will all be learning the system together, so please let me know if something does not seem right.

Readings: The reading assignments accompany each lecture, and generally will have some short response worth 1 point, to encourage you do keep up with the reading. The reading assignments should show up in the list of modules, the list of assignments, and in your To-Do list. For this course, we will be covering Chapters 1, 2, 3, 6, 11, 12, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23. The remaining chapters are covered in the companion course Phys 321 (Astronomy & Astrophysics II). You should complete the readings before the corresponding lectures, but certainly by the time of the following lecture (the due date).

Homework: The homework assignments will be due each Wednesday. They may require you to submit a text response, a file, or hand in a written paper, so check the assignment early and be prepared.

Exams: There will be two in-class exams during the semester, and the final exam during exam week.

Grades: Your grade will be based on your homework+reading assignment scores (20%), in-class exams (30%), attendance and class participation (20%), and final exam (30%).

Observing Sessions: I would like to have two observing sessions in the observatory on the roof of Faculty Hall if there is enough interest.

Here are the approximate weights to be used for calculating the final grade and the final grade scale:

30% for the two common exams (15% each)	85% and more	A
30% for the final exam	80% - 84%	B+
20% for the total homework grade	70% - 79%	B
20% for total attendance/class participation	65% - 69%	C+
	55% - 64%	C
	50% - 54%	D
	49% and less	F








Grades are not negotiable. A score of 84.99999% is a B+, not an A

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Course Summary:

Date	Details
Mon Sep 9, 2019	 Lecture 1 Reading and Resources (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/11813) due by 11:30am
Wed Sep 11, 2019	 Lecture 1 Assignment: Thousand Yard Model for Trappist 1 (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/12045) due by 11:30am
	 Lecture 2 Reading and Resources (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/12100) due by 11:30am
Mon Sep 16, 2019	 Lecture 3 Reading and Resources (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/15101) due by 11:30am
Wed Sep 18, 2019	 Lecture 2 Assignment: Homework Problems (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/12215) due by 11:30am
	 Lecture 3: Homework Problems (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/15103) due by 11:30am
	 Roll Call Attendance (https://njit.instructure.com/courses/7169/assignments/13626)