Course Overview: Our ultimate goal in PHY 105 is to develop insight into how the science of physics can be applied to the study of planets, stars, galaxies, and the universe as a whole. We will begin our studies by examining our place in the universe and how the motions of stars and other celestial bodies appear to us as observers on Earth. From there, we will study the modern physical theories of motion, light, and matter that help us make sense of the universe we live in. The rest of the course applies these physical theories to the study of our universe and its contents. During the second half of the semester, we shall see how our observations of the cosmos provide tests of these theories; we will also see how they can explain the wide variety of objects and phenomena seen in the universe. At appropriate times, we will discuss the history of our modern physical theories of motion and matter as well as the scientists who developed them. Throughout the course, we will develop and build analytical reasoning and problem solving skills which are widely applicable to modern life.

Course Credit: This 3 credit course is an approved course in the WCU General Education program in the Sciences.

Course Requirements: This course has no prerequisites. However, we will be doing some basic algebra at the high school math level; I will assume that you have done this sort of math before, though it may be a few years since you’ve seen it or used it. We will also be reading and interpreting graphs, which I will assume you have some experience with. A good deal of time in this class will be spent extending our existing body of knowledge to new situations in order to understand them; I will assume that you have experience doing this.

Meeting Times: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 PM to 1:45 PM
Schmucker Science Center North, room 190

Required Course Materials:
• *The Essential Cosmic Perspective, 7th Ed.*, by Bennett, Donahue, Schneider, and Voit.
• A stand-alone calculator which is **not** part of a cell phone or other internet-accessible personal electronic device.
• A paid account with Top Hat: the Interactive Teaching Platform (classroom response system)

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office phone: 610-436-2320
webpage: This course has a D2L webpage. Homeworks, this syllabus, and all other related course materials will be posted to this webpage. Please let me know if you are unable to access it. Being able to access the D2L website will be critical to student success in this course.
**Course Goals:** My goal for PHY 105 is that, by the end of the course, you will have an appreciation for how the science of physics can be applied to the study of planets, stars, galaxies, and the universe as a whole. While I hope you will gain an appreciation of these celestial bodies and related phenomena for the beautiful things that they are, our larger goal in studying them is to illustrate how the methods and ideas of physics inform our understanding of the objects and processes that we observe in our universe, as well as the universe itself. In addition, we will engage in a historical consideration of the development of our current theories of the physical world, to help you see how the methods of science have worked to produce the ideas that we use today.

More specific course goals for PHY 105 include:

- develop an understanding of and appreciation for the nature of science
- understand how the process of science has led to physical theories which aim to explain the contents and evolution of our universe
- know several different ways to represent the information contained in quantitative word problems, and use those representations to successfully arrive at a solution
- be able to engage in proportional reasoning to arrive at a quantity or predict the outcome of a “what-if” scenario

Cooperative in-class activities such as “Voting Opportunities,” interactive lecture demonstrations, practice problems, discussion questions, and interactive problem solving sessions (as detailed on page 5 of this syllabus), as well as assigned homework problems and exams, will contribute to students’ achievement of the above Course Goals. Course Goals will be assessed on exams.

As we work to achieve our course goals, I will be emphasizing the ability to reason with and work with concepts and equations rather than lots of strict fact memorization or complicated mathematics. (We will need to memorize some things, though.) In doing so, we will learn analytical thinking skills, how to make connections between concepts, and how to communicate your reasoning to others. We will be making quantitative predictions about phenomena, which does require some basic mathematical ideas. These ideas include, but are not limited to, simple algebra, proportionality, scaling, and working with powers of 10. **DO NOT PANIC** if it's been awhile since you've seen these mathematical terms! We will develop them as we go through the course.

**Course General Education Goals:** PHY 105 is an approved General Education course in the Sciences. Throughout this course, we will engage in a number of in-class activities designed to help you meet the following General Education goals at West Chester University: (2) employ quantitative concepts and mathematical methods and (3) think critically and analytically. In-class activities include (but are not necessarily limited to) “Voting Opportunities,” interactive lecture demonstrations, practice problems, discussion questions, and interactive problem solving sessions (as detailed on page 5 of this syllabus). The above cooperative in-class activities, in addition to assigned homework problems, will contribute to students’ achievement of the General Education Goals. General Education Goals will be assessed on exams.

**Grading:**
- Class participation: 15%
- Homework: 15%
- Exams: 50%
- Cumulative Final Exam: 20%

**Class Participation and Attendance:** We will be using the Top Hat classroom response system in class. Via this platform, you will be able to submit answers to in-class questions using Apple or Android smartphones and tablets, or through text message. To ensure that you are able to submit responses throughout the entire class period, please make sure that your personal device is sufficiently charged before each class. Top Hat requires a paid subscription; a full breakdown of all subscription options available can be found at [https://tophat.com/pricing/](https://tophat.com/pricing/). I am **requiring** that you buy a paid subscription to the Top Hat system. Please pay for and activate your account by **Thursday September 6th** before the start of class. You can visit the Top Hat Overview within the Top Hat Success Center, which outlines how you will register for a Top Hat account and provides a brief overview to get you up and running on the system. An email invitation will be sent to your WCU email address, but if you don’t receive this email you can register by simply visiting our course website: [https://app.tophat.com/e/862752](https://app.tophat.com/e/862752), course join code 862752.
Each day of class (test days not included) will be worth 5 points of class participation credit. Class participation points will be earned by responding with your smartphone, tablet, or cell phone (by way of text message), via the Top Hat application, to questions that I ask during my PowerPoint presentations. These questions will consist of (but are not necessarily limited to) “Voting Opportunities” and “Prediction Opportunities.” I reserve the right to introduce ways in addition to these to earn class participation credit. To earn full class participation credit for a class period, you need to respond using Top Hat to ALL response questions asked in class, even times when I ask you to respond again after talking to a neighbour. If you do not respond to ALL response questions asked in class, I will award partial class participation credit. You DO NOT have to answer response questions correctly in order to get full credit: you just have to attempt them. It is in your best interest to do your best to get the correct answers, though, so don’t just choose a response at random when questions come up. Give them your best go.

You MUST be present in class responding via the Top Hat system in order to receive class participation credit. Thus, I am expecting you to attend all scheduled classes for the entire scheduled time. I do understand that on occasion something unforeseen will pop up and prevent you from attending class; therefore, at the end of the term I will drop 3 days of class participation points for those dates. If you miss class due to an excused absence, it is IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to contact me by email to arrange a way to make up the class participation points that you missed. My excused absences policy follows the Excused Absence Policy as described in the West Chester University Undergraduate Catalog. If you are absent, whether excused or unexcused, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to get the notes you missed from a classmate—including notes on any quantitative problems worked in class—and to learn of any important announcements that were made.

In order to earn class participation points, YOU must be the one submitting responses via the Top Hat system using your personal device. I have a zero tolerance policy for ANYONE who authorizes a classmate to use their Top Hat account for them in class. If I catch ANYONE using multiple Top Hat accounts during a class, this will be construed as cheating, and ALL involved parties will lose ALL class participation points for the semester. I reserve the right to introduce alternate forms of attendance taking to enforce this policy.

As with any technology, problems with the Top Hat classroom response system can pop up unexpectedly. Thus, in the event that unforeseen circumstances arise, I reserve the right to change details about how class participation credit is awarded on a particular day as circumstances warrant it. You will be notified of any such changes both in class and on D2L. I also reserve the right to increase the number of dropped days of class participation due to unforeseen circumstances.

**Homework:** All homework assignments will be posted and submitted online through the “Homeworks” section of this course’s D2L webpage. There will be NINE homeworks assigned over the course of this semester. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING D2L AND KEEPING UP WITH HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS:** this means checking to see that a homework has been posted, knowing when the homework is due, and ensuring that it is completed before the deadline. To help you with this, I have included a column in the class schedule at the end of this syllabus that tells you WEEK BY WEEK what homeworks will be posted, when they will be posted (date/time), and when they will be due (date/time). If the course schedule is adjusted from what appears at the end of this syllabus, the Top Hat system will be updated. If the course schedule has been updated, I will make an announcement made in class. An announcement will also be placed on D2L indicating that the course schedule has been updated. Life can get very busy during a semester, so it can be hard to remember to log in to do homeworks even when you know the dates that they are being posted and will be available. Thus, you may wish to set up pre-timed reminders to check in on our course’s D2L site. I will not always remind you in class about homeworks! It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to remember to do them.

You may re-do a homework as often as you like before it is due; I will keep only your highest score for my gradebook. But regardless of how many times you attempt one, homeworks are due on the due date and time indicated in the class schedule and on D2L. No late homeworks will be accepted, no exceptions. This is because homework solutions will be posted shortly after a homework’s due date. At the end of the semester, I will drop your lowest homework grade. This way, it’s not a big deal if you miss one assignment. But if not doing homework becomes a habit, your grade will suffer come the end of the semester.

If you have a question or a computer problem, you must notify me at least 24 hours before the homework due date. Plan on your internet access and/or computer failing at the worst possible time, so have a go at the homework at some point before the day it is due. Report any problems with D2L ASAP by calling 1-866-832-1851 or visiting the D2L help desk in the Peoples Building, Room 33 (610-436-3350, option 1).
I encourage you to discuss homework questions with each other, but the work you do on homeworks must be your own. (See the Academic Integrity statement on page 6 of this syllabus.) I also encourage you to discuss and review course material with your classmates. But be sure to study and think about the material on your own, because your classmates cannot help you on exams.

As with any technology, problems with online D2L assessments can pop up unexpectedly, and for this reason I reserve the right to change details about how they are conducted. I also reserve the right to modify homework frequency, the number of homeworks assigned, homework assign-dates, and homework due-dates to reflect unforeseen circumstances. You will be notified of any such changes both in class and on D2L.

**Exams:** There will be four in-class exams given over the course of the semester. The dates of these exams are:

| September 18 | October 16 | November 8 | December 6 |

The range of chapters each exam covers is given in the course schedule, which can be found at the end of this syllabus. If the course schedule is adjusted from what appears at the end of this document, it will be posted to D2L and there will be an announcement made in class. An announcement will also be placed on D2L indicating that the course schedule has been updated. Make sure to check D2L regularly to ensure that you have an up-to-date class schedule.

You will be responsible for knowing what chapters will be covered on an exam, and when that exam is.

**YOUR LOWEST EXAM GRADE WILL BE DROPPED.** Only your three highest exam grades will be counted. **THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UP EXAMS GIVEN.** You CANNOT take an exam early or late. If you miss an exam, you will receive a zero for it, and it will be used as your dropped exam. Exceptions will be made ONLY for absences due to the Excused Absences Policy as described in the West Chester University Undergraduate Catalog. If you have ANY questions or concerns about this particular point, please come talk to me and get clarification BEFORE it is too late!

Tests will consist of approximately 25–45 multiple choice questions. Some tests MAY contain one open-ended problem; any open-ended problem appearing on an exam will be designed to be similar to example and practice problems done in class. A constant curve will be applied to an exam if the class average drops below 75% to increase it to this value. The scope of each test (with the exception of the final) is limited to the chapters listed in the course schedule at the end of this syllabus; however, even though earlier material is not explicitly tested it may still appear on an exam. You have been warned!

Tests will be closed book and closed notebook. However, I will give you one sheet of equations to use during the exam. This equations sheet will be the only aid allowed to you during exams, with the exception of a stand-alone calculator (as described below). All other written and electronic aids are strictly forbidden. I will post to D2L the equations sheet that I will give you for an exam at least 24 hours prior to the exam time, so that you can see what will be on the sheet. You are permitted to use 1 stand-alone calculator (i.e., a calculator that is not part of an iPod/iPad, cell phone, tablet PC, Kindle, etc.) during exams. If I catch you using an internet-accessible personal electronic device as a calculator during an exam, I will take your exam and you will get a zero on it. No exceptions. If you will be using a graphing calculator, I must personally see you clear its memory before you receive your exam. I will NOT bring extra calculators for you to use during exams. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure you have a working stand-alone calculator for exams.

After each exam, I will return to you the answer sheet which contains your responses to the multiple choice questions. If the exam asked an open-ended question, your response to that question will also be returned. I will write your overall exam grade at the top of the multiple choice answer sheet. I will hold the copies of the multiple choice exam questions in my office; you can make an appointment any time you like to come look at the multiple choice exam questions.

**Final Exam:** The final exam for this course will be given on Thursday, December 13th from 10:30AM–12:30PM. This is the time scheduled by the University Registrar for our final exam. The final will be cumulative, and it is mandatory. It will consist of approximately 30–50 multiple choice questions and 1 open-ended question. Missing the final exam will result in a zero for the exam unless EXTREME circumstances apply. Your final exam grade cannot be counted as your dropped exam score.
**Extra Credit:** I am offering one extra credit opportunity this semester. It is entirely optional; you are not required to do it. It will involve the semester-long observation of a single astronomical object that is NOT Polaris. Details of the extra credit project will be provided during the first class period. If you want to do the extra credit project, you MUST submit an observing plan to me by email by **Friday September 7th at 5PM.** No plans will be accepted after this date. Projects will be due on December 6th at the start of class. Successful completion of an extra credit project will boost your overall course grade by two percentage points.

**Teaching Style:** I will be using Microsoft PowerPoint slides a great deal when going over course material in class; when example problems come up, I will use the white board to work through them. I will try to write big enough so that everyone can see, but if you do have trouble seeing what I write please move to the front of the room. Before the class period on which we will begin covering a chapter, I will post to D2L modified copies of the PowerPoint slides I will use in class, in the so-called “structured note-taking” style. The slides I put up on D2L are NOT meant to take the place of your own personal note-taking. **YOU** will be responsible for that. I provide these modified slide copies to give you the text for in-class activities that we will do, so that you do not need to worry about copying them down and can instead concentrate on the activities themselves. I will also leave plenty of room on the modified slides for you to write down key equations, words, and other ideas so that you’ll remember them later. Please note carefully that the modified slides I post will NOT contain solutions to example problems done in class, nor will they contain each and every word seen on the in-class slides. If you want notes on these things, you’ll need to take them for yourself as we go through the material in class.

I will do my best to engage you interactively with the material during class time. Activities may include, but are not necessarily limited to, conceptual questions to be discussed with a neighbour, practice problems, “Voting Opportunities,” “Prediction Opportunities,” interactive problem solving sessions, and interactive lecture demonstrations. As mentioned above, your responses to some of these items will count as class participation credit. I hope that these activities both enhance your learning and help make class a little more exciting for you. The cooperative in-class activities listed above, in addition to assigned homeworks and exams, are designed to contribute to your achievement of the general education goals and course goals that this class has been designed to meet.

**Intellectual Property Statement:** The instructor for this course utilizes copyrighted materials under the "Freedom and Innovation Revitalizing United States Entrepreneurship Act of 2007" (Fair Use Act). Apart from such copyrighted materials, all other intellectual property associated with this course is owned and copyright protected by the instructor, including, but not limited to, lectures, course discussions, course notes and supplementary materials posted or provided to students authored by the instructor, assessment instruments such as quizzes and exams, and PowerPoint presentations. No recording, copying, storage in a retrieval system, or dissemination in any form, whether electronic or other format, by any means of the intellectual property of the instructor, either in whole or in part, is permitted without the prior written permission of the instructor. When such permission is granted, it must specify the utilization of the intellectual property and all such permissions and waivers shall terminate on the last day of finals in the semester in which this course is held.

Links and references to on-line resources provided by the instructor may lead to other sites. The instructor does not sponsor, endorse or otherwise approve of any information appearing in those sites, nor is responsible for the availability of, or the content located on or through, external sites. Apart from materials used in accordance with the Fair Use Act, the instructor takes no responsibility for material that is otherwise offered at web sites and makes no warranty that such material does not infringe any third party rights. However, should any of this type of material be present and this fact is brought to the attention of the instructor, they will remove references to it from course materials.

**Email Policy:** It is expected that faculty, staff, and students activate and maintain regular access to University provided e-mail accounts. Official university communications, including those from your instructor, will be sent through your university e-mail account. You are responsible for accessing that mail to be sure to obtain official University communications. Failure to access will not exempt individuals from the responsibilities associated with this course.
Ye Olde Technology Policy: You are permitted to use cell phones, smart phones, iPhones, iPads, and tablet PCs in class in order to make use of the Top Hat classroom response system. However, you are NOT ALLOWED to use cell phones for social networking or gaming during class. If I catch you using a personal electronic device inappropriately during class, I will take 5 points off of the nearest exam grade! NO EXCEPTIONS. Try to make it a rule that, when you are in class, the Top Hat application is the only application open on your personal device.

I do not allow the use of laptops in my class. However, I do understand that use of a laptop, or other personal electronic devices, may be required to accommodate certain disabilities. Terms of use in both of these cases can be discussed with me on an individual basis.

Excused Absences Policy: Students are advised to carefully read and comply with the excused absences policy, including absences for university-sanctioned events, contained in the WCU Undergraduate Catalog. In particular, please note that the “responsibility for meeting academic requirements rests with the student,” that this policy does not excuse students from completing required academic work, and that professors can require a “fair alternative” to attendance on those days that students must be absent from class in order to participate in a University-Sanctioned Event.

Academic Integrity: It is the responsibility of each student to adhere to the University's standards for academic integrity. Violations of academic integrity include any act that violates the rights of another student in academic work, that involves misrepresentation of your own work, or that disrupts the instruction of the course. Other violations include (but are not limited to): cheating on assignments or examinations; plagiarizing, which means copying any part of another's work and/or using ideas of another and presenting them as one's own without giving proper credit to the source; selling, purchasing, or exchanging of term papers; falsifying of information; and using your own work from one class to fulfill the assignment for another class without significant modification. Proof of academic misconduct can result in automatic failure and removal from this course.

For questions regarding Academic Dishonesty, the No-Grade Policy, Sexual Harassment, or the Student Code of Conduct, students are encouraged to refer to their major department’s handbook, the West Chester University Undergraduate Catalog, the Rams Eye View, or the University Web Site. Please understand that improper conduct in any of these areas will not be tolerated and may result in immediate ejection from the class.

Reporting Incidents Of Sexual Violence: West Chester University and its faculty are committed to assuring a safe and productive educational environment for all students. In order to meet this commitment and to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and guidance from the Office for Civil Rights, the University requires faculty members to report incidents of sexual violence shared by students to the University's Title IX Coordinator, Ms. Lynn Klingensmith. The only exceptions to the faculty member's reporting obligation are when incidents of sexual violence are communicated by a student during a classroom discussion, in a writing assignment for a class, or as part of a University-approved research project. Faculty members are obligated to report sexual violence or any other abuse of a student who was, or is, a child (a person under 18 years of age) when the abuse allegedly occurred to the person designated in the University protection of minors policy. Information regarding the reporting of sexual violence and the resources that are available to victims of sexual violence is set forth at the webpage for the Office of Social Equity at http://www.wcupa.edu/_admin/social.equity/.

Students With Disabilities: If you have a disability that requires accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please present your letter of accommodations and meet with me as soon as possible so that I can support your success in an informed manner. Accommodations cannot be granted retroactively. If you would like to know more about West Chester University’s Services for Students with Disabilities (OSSD), please contact the OSSD which is located at 223 Lawrence Center. The OSSD hours of Operation are Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Their phone number is 610-436-2564, their fax number is 610-436-2600, and their email address is ossd@wcupa.edu. See the following website for more information: http://www.wcupa.edu/ussss/ossd/default.aspx.
**Tutoring:** Tutoring for many 100 level courses is offered by the Learning Assistance Resource Center (LARC), 224 Lawrence Center, phone number 610-436-2535. As of the current moment, PHY 105 is not one of those courses; however, the folks at the LARC may be willing to work with you to try and find a tutor if you need one. See the following website for more information: http://www.wcupa.edu/ussss/larc/. LARC tutoring is free of charge, but you must sign up at the beginning of the semester. Physics majors MAY offer tutoring in PHY 105 during the semester. A list of physics majors offering tutoring will also be made available on the physics department website if this is the case.

**Withdrawal Notice:** A syllabus constitutes a contract between student and instructor. Your continued enrollment after the September 4th drop deadline indicates that you accept all instructional practices, requirements, and policies. If you find the standards to which you will be held accountable too rigorous, if you are unable to reliably access the internet to log on to D2L and/or Modified Mastering Physics, or if an ongoing scheduling conflict prevents you from attending class regularly and punctually, you must officially withdraw (grade “W”) through the Registrar’s Office by the October 23rd course withdrawal deadline. You are responsible for checking your grades before this withdrawal deadline so you aren’t surprised by your standing as the end of the course approaches. You can contact me anytime to get an estimate of your grade as it stands at the moment.

**Emergency Preparedness:** All students are encouraged to sign up for the University’s free WCU ALERT service, which delivers official WCU emergency text messages directly to your cell phone. For more information and to sign up, visit http://www.wcupa.edu/wcualert. To report an emergency, call the Department of Public Safety at 610-436-3311.

**Study tips:**
- **Look at the learning objectives to see what I expect you to know and know how to do by the end of each unit and each chapter.** All in-class exams will be based on the chapter learning objectives; the final exam will be based on the unit learning objectives. Learning objectives for all units and chapters will be posted to the “Course Materials” section of D2L.
- **Keep up with the readings and do them before class!**
- **Don’t blow off the homework!** It’s a good way to accumulate points, and good practice for exams. Look in on D2L periodically to make sure you’ve made an attempt on an assigned homework!
- **Practice makes perfect!** Before an exam, pick some of the problems from the end of the chapter questions and do them. Play “what-if” games with the equations and concepts presented in class: What if I gave you two quantities and asked for a third? What’s your plan for that? What would happen if the Solar Nebula had had an initial clockwise rotation instead of a counterclockwise one ... what would we expect the orbits of the planets to be like? If you have an action plan for these things in your head, you’re less likely to freeze up and panic if you see them on a test.
- **Please make use of my office hours, and don’t hesitate to email me questions about the homework or to schedule a time to meet outside office hours.**
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### CLASS SCHEDULE

This is the tentative schedule; I will try to follow it as closely as possible. I will post any changes to this schedule to D2L, and announce in class that an updated schedule has been posted. **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure that you have an up-to-date class schedule. It is also **your responsibility** to read the assigned selections from the text before you arrive in class. I will not always cover in class everything that is contained in the readings.

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