

Course Catalog - Spring 2010

Astronomy

121 ***The Solar System*** credit: 3 hours.

Introductory survey of the universe; structure and motions of the earth and moon; planetary motions; physical nature of the planets; comets and meteors; origin and evolution of the solar system. Emphasis will be placed on problem-solving and scientific methods. Two lectures and one discussion each week, and observing sessions during the term. Not intended for physical science majors; students with credit in PHYS 211 are encouraged to take ASTR 210. Credit is not given to students with credit in ASTR 100, ASTR 210, GEOL 116, or PHYS 212.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a Physical Sciences, and Quant Reasoning II course.