

## Astronomy and Astrophysics Major

### Sample Academic Plan for students beginning in Math 1151

Year	Autumn Semester	Credit hours	Course Title	Spring Semester	Credit Hours	Course Title
1	ArtsSci 1100.10	1	Survey	Astron 1221 or CSE 122x <sup>^</sup> Math 1152* Physics 1271 <sup>%#</sup> World Lang. 2	3 5 5 4	Programming Req. see note below Calculus II Intro Physics II
	Astron 2895	1	Seminar			
	GenEd 1201	1	GE Launch Seminar			
	Math 1151*	5	Calculus I			
	Physics 1270 <sup>%</sup>	5	Intro Physics I			
	World Lang. 1	4				
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>17</b>				
2	Astron 2291	3	Intro Astrophysics I	Astron 2292	3	Intro Astrophysics II
	Math 2153*	4	Calculus III	Math 2415*	3	Differential Equations
	Physics 2300 <sup>#</sup>	4	Mechanics I	Physics 2301 <sup>#</sup>	4	Mechanics II
	World Lang. 3	4		Physics 3700	3	Data Analysis Lab
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>13</b>	
3	Astron 3350	3	Methods of Observation	Physics 5400	4	E&M
	Physics 5500	4	Quantum Mechanics I	Physics 5501	4	Quantum Mechanics II
	Math 2568*	3	Linear Algebra	Gen Ed Course or Astron 5xxx <sup>&amp;</sup>	3	See note below
	Gen Ed Course	3		Gen Ed Course	3	
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	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>14</b>	
4	Gen Ed Course or Astron 5xxx <sup>&amp;</sup>	3	See note below	Gen Ed Course or Astron 5xxx <sup>&amp;</sup>	3	See note below
	Physics 5600	4	Statistical Mechanics	Gen Ed Course	3	
	Gen Ed Course	3		Gen Ed Course	3	
	Gen Ed Course	3		GenEd 4001	1	GE Reflection Seminar
	Free Elective <sup>†</sup>	3		Free Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>13</b>	

**Degree Hours**      **121** (121 minimum required)

Courses in YELLOW are only offered in the term shown (i.e., offered in Autumn only or in Spring only)

NOTE: this is **only one of many** possible ways to move through the Astro curriculum. Consult with an academic advisor to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

Details on symbols (\*<sup>%</sup> <sup>^</sup> <sup>#</sup> <sup>&</sup> <sup>†</sup>) can be found on the next page.

\*This "standard" calculus sequence has many acceptable variations. Consult with your academic advisor if you have already taken or wish to take a different set of courses.

%Physics 1270-1271 is a version of the introductory Physics courses specifically intended for Physics and Astro majors. The Physics 1250-1251, 1250H-1251H, 1260-1261, and 1270-1271 series are all considered to be equivalent. Physics 1250 and 1251 are offered year-round (Autumn Spring, Summer), but the others are only offered once per year in Autumn-Spring.

^ Astronomy 1221 (Astronomy Data Analysis), CSE 1222 (C++), CSE 1223 (Java), or CSE 1224 (Python). Students who have changed majors from Engineering may substitute Engr 1221 or Engr 1281H.

# Physics 1271, 2300, and 2301 each require a grade of C+ or higher to move on in major coursework.

& Only one Astron 5xxx course is required: 5205 (Planetary Science) is offered in odd-year Springs; 5681 (Stellar Evolution) is offered in even-year Springs; 5682 (Cosmology) is offered every Autumn.

† Free Electives are only required if a student needs to take extra courses in order to reach the minimum of 121 degree hours for the B.S. degree set by the College of Arts and Sciences. Students may also schedule Free Electives if they prefer to remain full-time (12+ credits) for a semester.