

Astronomy 101 Syllabus

Online Course

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This is a 3 credit hour online class in Astronomy. Taking online courses assumes some knowledge of technology:

- Comfort level with computers - install software, work with major applications, text, images
- Internet skills, availability to be online at least twice a week
- Ability to stay on task without direct supervision
- Understand written instructions
- Ability to prioritize your own workload

The instructor will assist in the learning process and provide course instructions, guidelines and question feedback. Students must adhere to the testing schedule and assignment due dates when applicable. Students may use the computers that are available in the college's computer labs or library. All tests can be completed at home or using the college computing facilities.

Textbook:

Contact the ECC Bookstore: eccbookstore@elgin.edu; 847-214-7395

Evaluation Procedure:

Grade cutoffs are 90%; 80%; 70%; 60% for grades A, B, C, D

Six Unit Exams: (1/6) of grade for each exam

Course Objectives:

Familiarity with the appearance of the night sky

Learning how the sky and light can be studied to gain an understanding of the nature of the Universe

Acquire an understanding of the contents, structure and evolution of the Universe

Gain an appreciation for science as a process for learning about our world

Ability to communicate the ideas you study in Astronomy to other people

Student with Disabilities:

ECC welcomes students with disabilities and is committed to supporting them as they attend college. If a student has a disability (visual, aural, speech, emotional/psychiatric, orthopedic, health or learning), s/he may be entitled to some accommodation, service or support. While the College will not compromise or waive essential skill requirements in any course or degree, students with disabilities maybe supported with accommodations to help meet these requirements.

The laws in effect at college level state that a person does not have to reveal a disability, but if support is needed, documentation of the disability must be provided. If none is provided, the college does not have to make any exceptions to standard procedures. All students are expected to comply with the Student Code of Conduct and all other college procedures as stated in the current College Catalog.