Franklin & Marshall College - Physics and Astronomy Department Astronomy 110: Introduction to the Solar System

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Spring 2009 Course Schedule

Week	Lecture Dates	Topics	Reading
Week 1	W Jan 21, F Jan 23	The Scale of the Cosmos; The Sky	App. C, Ch. 1, 2
Week 2	M Jan 26, W Jan 28, F Jan 30	The Sky	Ch. 2
Week 3	M Feb 2, W Feb 4, F Feb 6	The Roots of Astronomy	Ch. 3
Week 4	M Feb 9, W Feb 11, F Feb 13	Roots; Physical Laws	Ch. 3, 4
Week 5	M Feb 16, W Feb 18, F Feb 20	Physical Laws; Gravity; Orbits	Ch. 4
Week 6	M Feb 23, W Feb 25, F Feb 27	Telescopes; Exam #1	Ch. 6
Week 7	M Mar 2, W Mar 4, F Mar 6	Telescopes; Light; Atoms; Spectra	Ch. 6, 5
Week 8	M Mar 9, W Mar 11, F Mar 13	Spectra; Solar System Formation	Ch. 5, 7, 8
	M Mar 16, W Mar 18, F Mar 20	Spring Break - no class	none
Week 9	M Mar 23, W Mar 25, F Mar 27	Planetary Geology	Ch. 9
Week 10	M Mar 30, W Apr 1, ${\bf F}$ Apr 3	Planetary Atmospheres; Exam #2	Ch. 10
Week 11	M Apr 6, W Apr 8, F Apr 10	Atmospheres; Jovian Planets	Ch. 10, 11
Week 12	M Apr 13, W Apr 15, F Apr 17	Asteroids and Comets; Collisions and Impacts	Ch. 12
Week 13	M Apr 20, W Apr 22, F Apr 24	Extrasolar Planets	Ch. 13
Week 14	M Apr 27, W Apr 29	Life in the Universe; SETI	Ch. 24

All readings are from *The Cosmic Perspective* (5th edition) by Bennett et al.

Lab meetings start in Week 2.

Two in-class exams will be given on Fri Feb 27 and Fri Apr 3.

The final exam will occur during the final exam period and will be scheduled by the Registrar's office.