ASTR 101 – Exploring the Night Sky
Summer 2018 - Syllabus

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  Engineering Comp Science Bldg 116

Required Materials:

• The Solar System by Seeds and Backman.
  Note: The bookstore sells both paperback and digital-only copies, both of which include the
  online MindTap system bundled together. This course will not be using MindTap. There is
  no option to purchase it without MindTap through the bookstore. Other sellers may have
  paperback versions of the text, which work just as well.

• Astro 101 Lab Manual
• i>Clicker
• University approved calculator
• Reading expected before each class. Doing so will increase your understanding of the lectures

Grading:

Clicker questions: 10%
Quizzes: 20%
Laboratory: 30%
Final Exam: 40%

Some notes regarding minimum participation in order to pass this course:

• You must complete all labs in order to pass this course. If you miss a lab period for
  a valid reason, contact me ASAP. I will determine approval to perform a make-up lab, and
  forward the approval to the lab supervisor.

• You must achieve a passing grade in the labs in order to pass the course.
  A failure in any of these conditions will result in a grade of F for the course, regardless of your
  performance in the other aspects of the course.

• Examinations are *individual*. No communication-enabled devices (i.e., phones, laptops,
  tablets, etc) will be accepted during exams.

• Plagiarism: Unacceptable, to say the least. Never copy work from each other, nor cite work
  from others without proper acknowledgment. Collaboration and discussion are fine, but the
  work you submit must be your own.

  See http://www.uvic.ca/library/research/citation/plagiarism/ for more information
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