

Physics 111: Introduction to Physics Seminar Fall 2016

Instructor:	Office Hours
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General Information:

This class will consist mainly of lecture-/presentations by the different faculty members of the Physics and Astronomy department on some general topics in physics so the students can learn more about current areas of research. There will also be a presentation by a member of the newly created ACAC (Academic and Career Advising Center) on what to think about when you are in college. At the end of the semester, each student will give a five-minute presentation on a topic about physics they find interesting. Presentation days will be the last two full days of class and our final exam period. More information will be given near the end of the semester.

Attendance:

Attendance of at least 14 of the 15 scheduled classes is **required** for passing the class. Students **must** attend and participate in the final presentations to pass the class. If an emergency situation arises (death in family, severe illness, etc.) please contact the instructor as soon as possible. Email is usually method to contact the professor.

Grading:

This course is graded on a Pass/Fail basis. **In order to pass the class, the student must attend at least 14 of the 15 scheduled classes and complete a “30 second” paper each week.** The student must also give a short (approximately 5-minute) presentation to the class on a topic in physics/astronomy of their choice during the last weeks of classes or during finals week (either Wednesday Dec. 7, 14 or Friday Dec. 18). Further information about the presentations and the grading rubric will be provided later in the semester.