

Tamkang University Academic Year 109, 1st Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	EXPLORING THE UNIVERSE	Instructor	TSAO, CHING-TANG
Course Class	TNUUB0A NATURAL SCIENCES, 0A	Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ General Course ◆ Required ◆ One Semester
Departmental Aim of Education			
By exploring natural laws and studying scientific methods, to let students understand the impact of science and technology on human life, and to cultivate in them the ability to think independently, and to discover, analyse and solve problems. Also, throu.			
Subject Schoolwide essential virtues			
5. Independent thinking. (ratio:100.00)			
Course Introduction	<p>This course provides a basic introduction to the structure of the universe. We start with the solar system, including our Earth and other planets and satellites. The life and death of a star, with our Sun as an example, will come next. We shall then explore the evolution of the Milky Way and other galaxies, and how they constitute the large-scale structure of our universe. Finally, we shall also look at the Big Bang theory which describes how the universe began.</p>		
<p>The correspondences between the course's instructional objectives and the cognitive, affective, and psychomotor objectives.</p> <p>Differentiate the various objective methods among the cognitive, affective and psychomotor domains of the course's instructional objectives.</p> <p>I. Cognitive : Emphasis upon the study of various kinds of knowledge in the cognition of the course's veracity, conception, procedures, outcomes, etc.</p> <p>II.Affective : Emphasis upon the study of various kinds of knowledge in the course's appeal, morals, attitude, conviction, values, etc.</p> <p>III.Psychomotor: Emphasis upon the study of the course's physical activity and technical manipulation.</p>			
No.	Teaching Objectives	objective methods	

1	1 Exploring the solar system 2 Understanding life and death of a star 3 Evolution of the galaxies 4 Large-scale structure of the universe 5 Big Bang theory	Cognitive
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The correspondences of teaching objectives : core competences, essential virtues, teaching methods, and assessment

No.	Core Competences	Essential Virtues	Teaching Methods	Assessment
1		5	Lecture	Testing

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Course Contents	Note
1	109/09/14 ~ 109/09/20	Course introduction	
2	109/09/21 ~ 109/09/27	Night sky and legends (I)	
3	109/09/28 ~ 109/10/04	Night sky and legends (II)	
4	109/10/05 ~ 109/10/11	Terrestrial planets (I)	
5	109/10/12 ~ 109/10/18	Terrestrial planets (II)	
6	109/10/19 ~ 109/10/25	Jovian planets (I)	
7	109/10/26 ~ 109/11/01	Jovian planets (II)	
8	109/11/02 ~ 109/11/08	Small bodies in the Solar system (I)	
9	109/11/09 ~ 109/11/15	Small bodies in the Solar system (II)	
10	109/11/16 ~ 109/11/22	Midterm Exam Week	
11	109/11/23 ~ 109/11/29	The Sun	
12	109/11/30 ~ 109/12/06	Life and death of a star	
13	109/12/07 ~ 109/12/13	The Milky Way	
14	109/12/14 ~ 109/12/20	Galaxies	
15	109/12/21 ~ 109/12/27	Large-scale structure of the Universe	
16	109/12/28 ~ 110/01/03	The Big Bang	
17	110/01/04 ~ 110/01/10	Epilogue	
18	110/01/11 ~ 110/01/17	Final Exam Week	

Requirement	
Teaching Facility	Computer, Projector
Textbooks and Teaching Materials	Lecture notes
References	1. "Cosmos" by Carl Sagan 2. "Cosmology" by Edward Harrison 3. "Foundation of Astronomy" by Michael Seeds
Number of Assignment(s)	(Filled in by assignment instructor only)
Grading Policy	<p>◆ Attendance : % ◆ Mark of Usual : % ◆ Midterm Exam : %</p> <p>◆ Final Exam : %</p> <p>◆ Other <Tests> : 100.0 %</p>
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