

# Proposal Form

## Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

PLEASE COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5:

1. Fill in the name and number of the course, the name of the policy, or the curriculum/major proposed for modification.

Course: Physics 190: Intro to Astronomy w Lab

Policy: To have this course serve as a Cornerstone 2A class during Spring 2008

2. Addition \_\_\_\_\_ Deletion \_\_\_\_\_ Change \_\_\_\_\_ NA

3. Does this proposal impact other majors or minors? Yes\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ No

4. Does this proposal impact the Cornerstone program? Yes\*\*  No \_\_\_\_\_

5. Does this proposal impact teacher licensure? Yes\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ No

\*\* If yes, obtain appropriate signatures (signifying review) below.

**Course Description:** Phys 190: Introduction to Astronomy wlab: This course is a one semester survey of astronomy designed for non-science majors. The course covers topics such as the planets, the Sun, stars, galaxies, black holes, dark matter, cosmology and the search for extrasolar planets. A weekly lab accompanies the course and covers the unaided and telescopic observations of the night sky, methods of astronomical measurement, data analysis and astronomical modeling.

**Rational:** The department has decided to have Frank Curti introduce this course rather than teach Phys 121: Ideas in Physics this Spring 2008 Semester. Since the lab covers the type of activities appropriate for a 2A lab course we ask that the course be listed as a 2A course for the Spring 2008 semester.

### APPROVED BY:

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Signature of proposer

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Date

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Signature of Division Chair

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Signature of Department Chair

### REVIEWED BY:

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Signature of Academic Dean

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Signature of Education Department Chair\*\*

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Signature of Department Chair in affected major\*\*  
\*\*if applicable

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Signature of Cornerstone Director\*\*

Upon completion of this form, print a copy to be circulated for signatures. In addition, send a copy of the proposal to the current EPC chair.