

ASTRONOMY 2010/2120 STARGAZE SCHEDULE --- FALL, 2010

Stargazes begin at the following times:

August 29 - December 9

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>10:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>10:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>10:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>10:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>10:00 p.m.</i>

except no sessions on:

*Sun Sept 5 & Mon Sept 6 (Labor Day)
Sun Oct 10, Mon Oct 11, & Tue Oct 12 (fall break)
Thu Nov 11 (Veterans Day)
Tue Nov 23, Wed Nov 24, Thu Nov 25, & Sun Nov 28 (Thanksgiving break)*

1. **We encourage you to make your stargaze visit early in the semester.** Many sessions (*two out of three*) are lost to bad weather, especially late in the semester as winter begins. **The entire last month may be clouded out.** PLAN AHEAD. GO EARLY. **Do not wait until the end, or you may get closed out by bad weather or have long waits due to large crowds.**
2. Stargaze sessions are held in the Observatory area on the roof of the Physical Sciences Laboratory Building. Enter the building at the west door (next to the Planetarium). Wait by the elevator on the ground floor. Do not use the stairs. You will be escorted to the Observatory in a group as near as possible to the scheduled time.
3. Each session lasts about 45 - 60 minutes. The maximum size of a group is 20 people on a first come/first served basis. Everyone who shows up on time will be served, but you may have a long wait if the turnout is large and we have to run extra sessions to accommodate everyone. A sign-up sheet is put out in the planetarium lobby about one hour before the first scheduled stargaze.
4. There is no late admission. Be on time! If you miss the departure of a group, you must wait until the next scheduled time. There are no exceptions and there is no other access to the Observatory.
5. **Look at the sky before you come.** Sessions are held only when the sky is clear and free of clouds. **If it's cloudy, partly cloudy, too hazy, foggy, raining, or snowing, the sessions must be cancelled.** If you live out of town or sky conditions look ambiguous to you, you can call 372-8831 for a recorded message telling whether the sessions will be held or cancelled. The message is set one hour before the first scheduled session, so please do not call earlier than that, or you may get a wrong message.
6. **Bring your student ID card.**
7. **Dress warmly.** The roof is usually colder and windier than the ground. No smoking, food, or beverages on the roof.
8. The use of cell phones is prohibited during stargaze sessions. If you make or answer a cell phone call during a stargaze, you will receive no credit for attending that session.
9. The student telescope operators have full disciplinary authority if necessary.