

SEMINAR NOTICE

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TOPIC: *What's up with Astronomy at USask?*

DATE: Tuesday October 17th, 2023

TIME: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

PLACE: *Physics 103*

Abstract:

The popularity of astronomy courses at USask has increased significantly, with a more than 300% increase to enrolments in the past decade, so that astronomy classes now account for more than a third of enrolments in the Department of Physics and Engineering Physics (as opposed to 2-3% of departmental enrolments twenty years ago). Over the past five years, astronomy has been the most popular specialization within our honours physics programme, and this year our recently-created Astronomy Certificate will reach its first dozen graduates. Throughout this period, we've engaged in several major projects ranging from education and public outreach to facilities enhancements, to research at all levels, from 100-level course-based projects to record-breaking research with the Hubble and James Webb Space Telescopes, building successful collaborations across campus and the globe. In this talk, I will give an overview of the past, current and planned future projects that contribute to the continued success of our astronomy programme.