

Undergraduate Seminar  
Fall 2007, Physics 1970  
Thursdays, 11:50 a.m. – 12:40 p.m., 102 JFB  
Dr. Brian Saam

In the Physics Undergraduate Seminar a different speaker will present a talk each week. The purposes of this course is to give students a broad picture of the various research going on in the world of physics and also to introduce you to some of the department faculty. The University of Utah Physics Department has two primary groups – Condensed Matter and High Energy/Cosmic Rays. Each class period an invited speaker will present his/her research to you or another physics related topic of their choice.

The class meets each Thursday of the semester. There are no exams. There is no homework. Your grade is based solely on your attendance (see below). **You will need to sign the roll each class period to get credit for your attendance – no exceptions.** You may miss once without your grade being lowered. The only “excused” absences are for military service and University sponsored events such as intercollegiate athletics where you are required to travel away from the University – proper documentation from the University or copies of your military orders will be required (see <http://www.acs.utah.edu/sched/handbook/attend.htm>). Illness, doctor appointments, etc. are not considered excused even with a note from your doctor – this is why we give you one “free” absence without your grade being lowered.

**You may make up one absence** by attending the Physics Department Colloquium, which is held on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. in 102 JFB. If you are going to attend the Physics Department Colloquium to make up an absence, you **must** sign the roll that is passed around during the colloquium (add your name, signature and UID# to the end of the roll). If you do not sign the roll, you will not receive credit for attending a make-up session. There may be other opportunities throughout the semester to make up a missed class – these will be announced via email so please make sure your email address is correct on the Campus Information System and check your email regularly.

If at any time you have any questions related to your standing in the course, please contact Heidi Frank at [heidi@physics.utah.edu](mailto:heidi@physics.utah.edu) or in her office in 201-C JFB (Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.).

# of Absences	Grade
0-1	A
2	A-
3	B+
4	B
5	B-
6	C+
7	C
8	C-
9	D+
10	D
11	D-
12 or more	E

08/23/07	Brian Saam - Assoc. Chair
08/30/07	Richard Ingebretsen
09/06/07	John Lupton
09/13/07	Paolo Gondolo
09/20/07	Stephan LeBohec
09/27/07	Andrey Rogachev
10/04/07	John Belz
10/11/07	Fall Break
10/18/07	Eugene Mishchenko
10/25/07	Maria Cranor
11/01/07	Jordan Gerton
11/08/07	Brian Saam
11/15/07	Oleg Starykh
11/22/07	Thanksgiving Holiday
11/29/07	Wayne Springer
12/06/07	Miguel Mostafa

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