Astronomy 1020 (Stellar and Galactic Astronomy) Syllabus for Summer 2014
10:20-12:00 MTWRF
Instructor: Dr. Clifford Padgett

Office: Science Center, Rm 2005
Phone: 344-2719
Email: Clifford.Padgett@armstrong.edu
Office Hours: 9:00-10:20 MTWRF, and by appointment
Other Material: A calculator, notebook for your rewritten lecture notes.

Attendance Policy: Students are responsible for all material covered in lecture. It is the responsibility of the student to obtain the material covered during lecture when they miss class. Students are required to attend all scheduled exams. If a student misses an exam because of sudden illness or jury/court duty, the student must: Notify the instructor (by phone or by email…both of which are TIME stamped) BEFORE THE EXAM BEGINS!!!! Upon return, the student must provide the instructor a written note from a physician, hospital or court in order to be accommodated without penalty. Routine, non-emergency doctors/dentists/vet appointments must be rescheduled so as not to interfere with an exam. There are NO make-up exams. Your exam score, for the missed exam, will be the average of your remaining three exams. An unexcused absence or failure to notify the instructor prior to the start of the exam will result in a ZERO for that exam. Vacations, cruises, trips and other non-emergency activities should be changed so as not to interfere with exams as you will not be able to make-up the exams. The last date to withdraw from class without receiving a WF is Wednesday, June 4.

Classroom Etiquette: Students are to be on-time for lecture and laboratory. The instructor reserves the right to lock the door to prevent disruptions by late entry students. Lecture begins PROMPTLY at 10:20 a.m. Electronic devices such as cellular phones, iPods, laptops, etc. are to be turned off and placed out of sight (i.e. book bag or purse) prior to the start of the lecture and/or exam. Repeated violations of this policy will result in your removal from the course and a grade of “W” or “WF” depending on your performance in the course to that date. There will be NO text messaging during any class, lab or exam. Anyone caught using texting or communicating via cell phone or other device during an exam will be turned over to the Honor Court for an Honor Violation. Visitors are not permitted in the class without prior approval from the instructor.

Honor Code: It is the student’s responsibility to abide by AASU’s honor code (see AASU Honor Code in the AASU catalog or the University’s web page). Failure to abide by the code will result in a grade of F for the assignment and continuous disregard of the Honor code will result in a grade of F for the course. All graded assignments (i.e., exams, and quizzes) are to be your OWN work.

Disabilities: If you are a person with a disability, accommodations to course requirements will be made based on the advocacy letter received from the Coordinator of AASU Disability Services. If you have not identified yourself as a person with a
disability, you will be expected to complete the course requirements without accommodations. If you have any questions contact Kelly Woodruff at 912.344.2744.

**Grading:** The class is on a ten point scale i.e. 90-100 is an A, 80-89 is a B, 70-79 is a C, 60-69 is a D and below 60 is an F

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Online Quizzes</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 Lecture Exams</td>
<td>85%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Homework & Quizzes:** Homework will be assigned but it will **not be collected and graded.** If you don’t do the homework, don’t expect to do particularly well on the tests. It is vital that you complete it, but as this is a college course, it is up to you to make the decision to do it or not.

Quizzes are available online at [http://wwnorton.com/college/astronomy/astro4/welcome.aspx](http://wwnorton.com/college/astronomy/astro4/welcome.aspx) by clicking on the Chapter number. You will get one opportunity to take each quiz. Select “25 questions” and use your Armstrong-provided email address when asked for one. The quiz results should be mailed to me at Clifford.Padgett@armstrong.edu **Be careful to spell it correctly,** because if it doesn’t go to me, I have no idea where it will end up in the Norton system and it may not be possible to either find it or retake the quiz. For the chapter’s covered, you could potentially collect 300 or more points if all quiz answers are correct. If you get 250 of these points, I will give you full credit for the quiz portion of your grade.

**Exams:** Exams will be mostly multiple choice with a few short answer and problem questions. Bring a calculator to each exam.

**Tentative Exam Dates:** Exam #1 Tuesday May 26th
Exam #2 Wednesday June 4th
Exam #3 Thursday June 12th
Exam #4 Friday June 20th

**Chapters Covered:**
Part I Chapter 1 and Chapter 5
Part III Chapters 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
Part IV Chapters 19,20,21 (22,23)

**General Information:** Feel free to stop by my office whenever you have a question. It’s especially easy to reach me by e-mail. E-mail is also the quickest way to arrange a meeting for whatever else you may need. **This syllabus is subject to modifications (which will be announced in class) during the semester.**