

WORKSHEET FOR THE ASTRONOMY MINOR

Student's Name _____

Date _____

EMPL ID _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Current year at Cal Poly _____

Major _____

Expected graduation date _____

REQUIRED COURSES

TERM (YEAR)

UNITS

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PHYS 1143 General Physics II		4
PHYS 2211 General Physics III: Modern Physics		4
ASTR 3301 Stars & Planetary Systems		3
ASTR 3302 Galaxies & Cosmology		3
ASTR 4444 Observational Astronomy		4

The minor will be awarded if all courses are completed and the minimum GPA requirement is met.

Please see the next page for detailed instructions on how to fill in this worksheet and the Astronomy Minor declaration process.

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If you are interested in pursuing the astronomy minor, please keep in mind that most astronomy classes are only offered one semester per year. The astronomy minor advisors can help you in the planning.

Please fill in this worksheet, either with the information on when (semester/year) you *took* the required classes (if applicable) or when (semester/year) you are *planning* on taking the required classes. To help you with the planning, we recommend filling in this worksheet as soon as possible. **Please email the worksheet to the astronomy minor (Dr. David Mitchell, dsmitche@calpoly.edu)** who will start the process of declaring the astronomy minor for you. You will then receive an email by Adobe Sign (CSM Forms) to review and fill out the Astronomy Minor declaration. Under “Intending to” select “Apply/Declare”. Fill in the yellow highlighted boxes with your information and sign the form. The form will then be routed for signatures by the Astronomy Minor Advisor and Department Chair and once completed, it will be automatically sent to the Office of the Registrar.

While you do not need to apply for an astronomy minor or declare it before taking any astronomy classes, we recommend that you complete this process well before you plan to graduate.

Please note that the Astronomy minor is not "degree applicable", so declaring it does not help with registration times.

MINORS (GENERAL)

A minor is an integrated, coherent group of courses (comprising 15 to 24 units in most cases), which gives the student knowledge in an area that lies outside of the major field of study. Please see [Programs](#) for the list of minors.

Requirements for the minor:

- At least half of the units must be from upper-division courses (3000- or 4000-level)
- At least half of the units must be taken at Cal Poly (in residence). For the French, German, Italian Studies, and Spanish minors, the requirement for students studying abroad is at least one third of the units must be taken at Cal Poly; this allowance is for study abroad programs only and does not apply to any domestic transfer credit.
- Not more than one-third of the courses in a minor can be graded with student-selected Credit/No Credit (CR/NC), Courses that have mandatory CR/NC grading are not included in the one-third maximum.
- A minimum 2.00 GPA is required in all units counted for completion of the minor

The minor must be completed prior to, or at the same time as, the requirements for the bachelor's degree. A major and a minor may not be taken in the same degree program, and a minor is not required for a degree.

Students who wish to earn a minor should contact the department offering the academic minor as early as possible in the program and fill out the appropriate agreement form. Students may select a minor which has requirements from a catalog that is different from that of their major.

The minor form must then be submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The completion of the minor is noted on the student's transcript but is not shown on the diploma. In no case is a diploma awarded for the minor.