



[Catalog 2025-2026]

Astronomy (Associate in Science) | Major Code 01500

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This map includes general education (GE) courses satisfying: [Associate Degree \(A.A./A.S.\) GE Requirements](#). Additional corequisite support courses may be required with math and English. This map shows approximately 15 units each semester or 30 units a year. Taking classes during Summer and/or January intersession are also an option.

1st Semester Recommendation

Course	Course Title	Units
ASTR 201	Astronomy for Science Majors	3
MATH 250	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	5
ENGL C1000	Academic Reading and Writing	4
ELECTIVES (Re: ASTR 205 or ENGR 221)	Elementary Astrophysics or Computer Programming and Applications-MATLAB	3

Total semester units: 15 Units

2nd Semester Recommendation

Course	Course Title	Units
MATH 251	Analytic Geometry and Calculus II	4
PHYS 270	Principles of Physics I	4
GE-AREA 1B		3
GE-AREA 3		3
ELECTIVES (Re: ASTR 205 or ENGR 221)	Elementary Astrophysics or Computer Programming and Applications-MATLAB	3

Total semester units: 17 Units

SUMMER TERM

Course	Course Title	Units
PHYS 271	Principles of Physics Laboratory I	1

3rd Semester Recommendation

Course	Course Title	Units
PHYS 272	Principles of Physics II	4
PHYS 273	Principles of Physics Laboratory II	1
MATH 252	Analytic Geometry and Calculus III	4
GE-AREA 4		3

Total semester units: 13 Units

4th Semester Recommendation

Course	Course Title	Units
PHYS 274	Principles of Physics III	4
PHYS 275	Principles of Physics Laboratory III	1
GE-AREA 6		3
GE-Lifelong Learning		3
ELECTIVES		4

Total semester units: 15 Units

Total Program Units: 60 units

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