Forms and Presentations

Information for Prospective Physics Students

Admitted Students

- [Admitted Students 2020 (Low-Res) Slides with Notes](#)
- [Admitted Students 2020 Slides](#)
  Information for Prospective UW Students about the physics major. Includes information about why one might want to major in physics; which introductory course to take; what makes a successful physics major; career options for physics graduates. The version with notes includes a slide-by-slide summary of the talk that would have been given at the April 4 Admitted Students Day. The Slideshow version contains higher resolution version of the slides (without notes).

- [Departmental Fact Sheet](#)
  General information about the physics department, including its students, faculty and research.

Incoming Freshmen

- [So You Think You Want to Take Physics - Summer 2018](#)
  Presentation by Prof. Olmstead to pre-freshmen in the July 2018 Summer Bridge program. Addresses what to expect in Physics 121 series, as well as general information about succeeding at UW.

Prospective Majors

- [Physics Major Information Session - Spring 2019](#)
  NOTE: This will be updated soon to reflect the physics transition to a capacity-constraint major. Presentation by Prof Olmstead to Physics 12x students interested in exploring a physics major. Contains information on how to decide if physics is the right major for you, as well what a physics major entails. It also contains outdated information on how to apply to the major.

Information for Current Majors

Forms

- [2019-20 Senior Exit Survey for Graduating Seniors](#)
- [2020-21 Senior Exit Survey for Graduating Seniors](#)
- [Graduate Plan Beyond Maximum Credits](#)
- [Independent Study Contract for PHYS 499](#)
- [Hardship Withdrawal (Former Quarter Drop)](#)

New Majors

- [Orientation for New Undergraduate Majors - Autumn 2019](#)
  Overview of the major and available resources. Advice for course and career planning.

Graduate School Planning

- [Is Grad School right for me? If so, how do I get there? - Autumn 2019](#)
  Presentation by Prof. Olmstead on factors to consider when deciding whether and when to attend graduate school in physics or astronomy, as well as advice regarding how to build a record (starting early!) that increases your chances of admission and information about how to navigate the application process.

SPS Annual Career Panel
• Overview - 2020
  Presentation by Prof. Olmstead containing information on national physics career statistics and possibilities.

• High School Teaching - 2020
  Presentation by Alex Stevens (UW Physics/Astro BS ‘11) on his route to teaching high school in Issaquah.

• Environmental Consulting - 2020
  Presentation by Marie Scott (UW Physics BS ‘16) on her route through a research job at the Medical School to a system management position at the Allen Institute to a Consulting Firm.

• Finding a Job - 2018
  Presentation by Cliff Slaughterbeck (UW Physics PhD ’96) containing advice based on his experience as he built on various technical jobs to his current position as a manager at the Allen Institute for Brain Science where he hires physics undergraduates.

Summer Internship Opportunities

• National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
• NASA: National & Local Washington Space Grant
• Department of Commerce (NIST)
• Department of Energy Summer Undergraduate Laboratory Internships.
  - Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
  - Argonne National Lab
  - SLAC National Accelerator Lab
  - Brookhaven National Lab
  - Fermilab

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