

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of August 28th

Welcome back!



From the Chair

I would like to welcome everyone back to the start of the 2023-2024 academic year. It is great to see all of the activity and energy as the Fall semester begins. One of my top goals is to ensure that the department is a supportive and welcoming environment for everyone. I am really looking forward to working with everyone in the department to make this an outstanding year for all of us.

-Michael Poirier, Professor and Chair

Upcoming Colloquia & Seminars

8/28/23 Quantum Matter Seminar- Dr. Penghao Zhu, The Ohio State University- Chirality and Non-Hermitian Skin Effect. [More information](#)

8/28/23 Biophysics Seminar- Joshua Bailey, Counseling and Consultation Services- Professional Communication and Conflict Resolution Strategies in a Professional Environment. [More information](#)

8/28/23 Biophysics Seminar- Zev Bryant, Stanford University- Making and Measuring Macromolecular Machines. [More information](#)

8/29/23 Fall 2023 Colloquium Series- Professor Bill Bialek- Ambitions for Theory in the Physics of Life. [More information](#)

9/5/23 Fall 2023 Colloquium Series- Professor Matthew Fisher- Quantum Many-Body Theory in the Quantum Information Era. [More information](#)

9/12/23 Fall 2023 Colloquium Series- Professor Michelle Dolinski- Exploring the Nature of Neutrino Mass with nEXO. [More information](#)

9/19/23 Fall 2023 Colloquium Series- Professor Niharika Sravan- Autonomous Real-Time Decision-Making in the Era of Multi-Messenger Astronomy. [More information](#)

Full Department

The recently renovated **Undergraduate Student Lounge** is now open! This great work and study space boasts moveable furniture pieces and boards, modern furnishing, and more! Check it out in Rm 1011 Smith Lab. [More information](#)



Faculty

We'd like to welcome our newest faculty members joining us this semester- Geraldine Cochran, Pierre Heidmann, and Kaeli Hughes! Daniel Brandenburg also joined us at the start of this year.

Graduate Students

Our newest cohort for 2023 has brought 33 physics graduate students to the department! This diverse group of students come with a wide range of research interests, personal interests, and backgrounds. Please say hello and help them learn about the department, the university, and Columbus.

Undergraduate Students

The Department of Physics has 93 incoming undergraduate majors for Autumn 2023, including freshman (81) and transfer students (12). 29 of these students are Engineering Physics majors and the remaining 64 are Physics majors. 27% are international students and 17% are in the honors program.

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