

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES | DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of January 8th

Welcome back, and have a wonderful semester!



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Upcoming Events

January 14th- Science Sunday-
Climate Change in Ohio: What
should you do?- Ohio Union U.S.
Bank Conference Theater, 3:00 pm.

[More information](#)

February 9th- Department of
Physics Winter Party, PRB, 6:00-
8:00 pm

Upcoming Colloquia & Seminars

1/11/24 Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Steve Pressé- Computationally
unraveling life's events below light's diffraction limit. [More information](#)

1/16/24 Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Highlights from the Nobel Ceremony
and Pierre Agostini's Nobel Lecture. 1080 PRB, 3:45 pm

1/30/24 Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Umida Djakbarova- Killing them softly:
targeting cell mechanics to sensitize cancer cells to programmed cell death.

[More information](#)

Full Department

Save the date: The Department of Physics Winter Party is coming up on Friday,
February 9th, from 6:00- 8:00 PM in the PRB. Join us for food and fun! This
year's theme is... Doctor Who!



Department of Physics Winter Party!



Friday, February 9th
6:00- 8:00 pm
Physics Research Building



This year's theme is... **Doctor Who!**
Dressing in theme is encouraged, but
not required...

Join us for food, fun, and
celebration!
Balloon Artist! Live Music! And more!

Graduate student, Jaychandran Padayasi, was published as first author on the American Physical Society 29 December 2023 issue of Physical Review Letters (Vol. 131, No. 26) for an article he wrote along with Professor Ilya Gruzberg. Read more at [this link](#).

Our department has a variety of new AV equipment deployed and ready for use. There are 6 new large screens available throughout the PRB conference rooms, as well as carts for easy transport. These can be easily connected via HDMI cable to personal computers. There are also still projectors and OWLs available to be checked out at the PRB main office.

There is more information and resources available on our department website. [Click here](#) for archived Department of Physics Weekly Emails
[Click here](#) for the Department of Physics Calendars

Undergraduate Students

There are travel grants available from the American Physical Society (APS) for

undergraduate students to travel to the March and April meetings. Read more at [this link](#)

Don't miss this semester's undergraduate socials! Our first event is Wednesday, January 17th. Hope to see you there!



Graduate Students

Going to the [APS March Meeting](#)? Do you have your **Spend Authorization submitted in Workday to start the business travel process?** The early bird registration deadline is January 17th, 2024.

If not, check out the Physics website to get started: [Travel Information | Department of Physics \(osu.edu\)](#)

For those who would like help entering your own Spend Authorization an open office hour will be held on Thursday January 11th at 2:30 PM. This is your opportunity to see a guided demo of the process and ask questions.

Join Zoom Meeting: [APS Meeting/Travel Office Hours](#)

Meeting ID: 968 4889 8507

Password: 211709

Remember you must have an approved Spend Authorization before you can

make any purchases for this trip (including booking airfare and paying for the meeting registration)”

Staff

Fourth Quarter Deadline for Lifestyle Spending Account

Ohio State's [Lifestyle Spending Account \(LSA\)](#) reimburses employees up to \$125 quarterly for eligible expenses. The fourth quarter ends Dec. 31, and you will have until Jan. 15 to submit a claim.

Faculty

New postdocs? Reach out to Carly Scopel at scopel.6@osu.edu to be added to the Department of Physics listserv and stay up to date on news and events.

Please consider if you will be taking ODP in the spring or summer. If you are interested in taking ODP in the upcoming months, please reach out to your admin associate with the funding source you wish to use and the ODP days you plan to take. Kindly submit ODP requests to admin associates 3 weeks in advance to allow time to complete the Workday approval process. The 2023-2024 ODP calendar below shows the available ODP days. Please note that ODP cannot be taken at the same time as vacation.

Off Duty Pay Calendar & Guidelines

OFF DUTY PAY CALENDAR

Below is a calendar of the qualifying dates for 9-month faculty Off Duty Pay (ODP) in the 2023-24 academic year.

ODP Eligible Days							Non-eligible days							University Holidays (are not eligible for ODP)						
October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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* Note: The total allowable ODP for summer 2024 is 3 months.



Submit your news items to scopel.6@osu.edu by 5pm, Thursday.

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