

Michigan Technological University

Minor in Astrophysics

Program Code SPHA, Academic Year 2025-2026

Department of Physics

Minimum Credits Required: 18

Required Courses: 5 credits

- PH 1600 Introductory Astronomy (2) *Prereqs: none*
- PH 2400 University Physics IV – Waves and Modern Physics (3) *Prereqs: PH2200 or PH2260*

Upper-level Elective Courses: minimum 9 credits

Select at least two of the following three astrophysics courses

- PH 4610 Stellar Astrophysics (3) *Prereqs: PH1600 and PH2400 and (MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560)*
- PH 4620 Galactic Astrophysics (3) *Prereqs: PH1600 and PH2400 and (MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560)*
- PH 4630 Particle Astrophysics (3) *Prereqs: PH2400 and (MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560)*

Select additional upper-level courses to bring total 3000-level or higher credits to 9

- EE 3160 Signals and Systems (3) *Prereqs: (EE2110 or EE2112I) and (MA2320 or MA2321 or MA2330) and (MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560)*
- EE 3190 Optical Sensing and Imaging (3) *Prereqs: MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560*
- EE 4252 Digital Signal Processing and its Applications (4) *Prereqs: EE3160*
- MA 3710 Engineering Statistics* (3) *Prereqs: MA2160 or MA3160*
- FW 4540 Remote Sensing of the Environment (3) *Prereqs: none*
 or GE 4250 Fundamentals of Remote Sensing (3) *Prereqs: PH2200 and MA2160*
- PH 5640 Atmospheric Physics (3) *Prereqs: PH2300 and (MA3520 or MA3521 or MA3530 or MA3560)*

Other Elective Courses: Complete 3 to 4 credits to reach 18 credits overall

- PH 1500 Extraordinary Concepts in Physics (2) *Prereqs: none*
- PH 1610 Introductory Astronomy Lab (1) *Prereqs: none*
- MA 2720 Statistical Methods* (4) *Prereqs: MA1020 or MA1030 or MA1031 or MA1032 or MA1120*