Course Number AST-050-01 **Course Description** An introductory but detailed discussion of the solar system with special emphasis on the application of physics and the measurement of fundamental properties. Topics include the contents of the solar system (earth, moon, sun, planets, asteroids, comets), formation of the solar system, evolutionary processes (cratering, volcanism, tidal effects), extrasolar planetary systems, and possibilities of life on other planets. Labs will be performed in which students learn how to find and observe the planets and measure fundamental properties. No background in mathematics or physics required. Academic Term 21/SP Instructor Watson, Heather Location & Meeting Time Nott Memorial-100 M/W/F 11:00AM-12:05PM LEC Credits 1.00 Capacity 18 **Total Students** 30 **Common Curriculum** SET Science, Engineering Tech Interdisciplinary Programs Science, Medicine & Tech in Cu Academic Department Physics and Astronomy Field Of Study Astronomy (AST)