

ASTROPHYSICS, MINOR

Requirements

A minor in astrophysics requires 18 credits of Astronomy/Physics courses, of which 9 credits must be in courses at the 300 level or above taken in residence at UWM. The 9 credits at the 300 level or above must include ASTRON 400 and ASTRON 401 (3 credits each). The College of Letters & Science requires that students attain at least a 2.0 GPA on all credits in the minor attempted at UWM. In addition, students must attain a 2.0 GPA on all minor credits attempted, including any transfer work. There is latitude in the choice of credits.

Students pursuing both the Physics Minor and the Astrophysics Minor must use unique sets of 300-level or above courses; they may not double-count the courses to earn both minors. Students are required to consult with the undergraduate physics advisor when planning their minor programs of study.

Letters & Science Minor Advising

Advising for the minor takes place within the department by a faculty member or staff member. Follow the steps using the "Declare a Minor" button on the department's website which may include instructions on how to select a faculty advisor if there is more than one to choose from.

Students who already have an L&S college advisor because their degree plan is in L&S can discuss the minor with them as well since they will be familiar with any minor in L&S. Students who are working on a degree from a UWM college other than the College of Letters & Science will not need an L&S college advisor for just a minor and one will not be assigned. These students should work with the faculty or staff advisor they receive as part of the minor declaration process or contact the department directly for assistance.

Applicants who have not started classes at UWM yet who wish to declare a minor should wait until they are registered for their first UWM classes and then can declare the minor using the "Declare a Minor" button on the program's website. If you have questions about the minor before then, contact let-sci@uwm.edu.