Section Number / Class times / Location:

318: 8:50am Monday 6515 Sterling  
315: 3:30pm Monday 6515 Sterling  
313: 4:35pm Monday 2108 Chamberlin  
314: 11:00am Tuesday 3331 Sterling  
317: 4:35pm Wednesday 6515 Sterling  
316: 11:00am Thursday 2116 Chamberlin

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Contact policy: Email is the best way to reach me. During the week, please give me 24 hours (not counting holidays and weekends) to answer your emails. I will do my best to get back to you as soon as I am able.

Office Hours:

Scheduled hours: Monday 10am-noon, Wednesday 2pm-4pm

Office hours by appointment: I leave a few office hours open to work around your schedule. Contact me to set up meetings. During busy weeks (like right before exams) these hours may fill up, so plan your visits in advance!

Class Expectations and Grading:

TA sessions will make up 10% of your overall course grade. Homework will make up an additional 10% of your grade. Your TA session grade will be based on attendance, participation, and in-session work.

If you are unable to attend your regular section, please email me so we can arrange a make-up section. Also, if you wish to regularly attend a section other than the one for which you are registered, let me know in advance so we can work something out. Failure to contact me about attending different sections may result in me not being able to give you credit for attendance, etc.

Bring your notes and book to discussion. I use a lot of in-class activities and you may need to look up answers.

Homework:

Homework will be handed out and collected in lectures, so you will have one week to do each assignment. We will not do the homework in discussion!
Resources:

Textbook: Pathways to Astronomy  Schneider & Arny 1st edition

Course website:  www.astro.wisc.edu/~lazarian/ast103/
    This site contains all of the class power point lectures as well as the course syllabus from Dr. Lazarian.

TA website:  www.astro.wisc.edu/~devine/ast103.html
    This site contains information related to the discussion section as well as interesting or useful links about astronomy.

Should you find yourself struggling with the material:

(1) Talk to me. Please don’t wait until you feel you need to drop the class! Come to office hours and we can work through what you don’t understand. I’ll also be happy to help you find additional help, like tutoring services.

(2) Talk to the instructor. He may be able to help you understand the material.

(3) Look for a tutor. The astronomy department graduate students offer tutoring. Contact Steve Anderson at stevea@astro.wisc.edu for a list of current tutors.