

ASTRONOMY 103 Stars and Galaxies: FALL 2006

Lecture 1: MW 9:55, 3425 Sterling Hall
Lecture 3: MW 11:00, 3425 Sterling Hall

Professor Sparke

TEXT: Michael Zeilik *Astronomy: the Evolving Universe*, 9th ed. We cover parts 1, 3 and 4.

WEBPAGE: <http://www.astro.wisc.edu/~sparke/ast103.html>

DISCUSSION SECTIONS: Lecture 1: 301—306; Lecture 3: 313—318

Discussion Sections **will NOT** meet during the first week of class Sept 5—8. For section changes or other scheduling issues, please e-mail your TA with student ID number and explain why you need a change.

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HOMEWORK: Distributed in lecture on Wednesdays and due in lecture one week later. There will be ten assignments during the semester, including two labs. You **must** complete both the labs, but the two lowest of the other homework grades will be dropped; this includes any that you don't hand in for any reason. This procedure will compensate for illness or unavoidable problems.

No late homeworks will be accepted once the grader has made his pickup after the lecture. If you can't make it to lecture, you can leave your homework before lecture in Prof. Sparke's mailbox, on the 5th floor of Sterling across from the elevator. If you miss an assignment or handout, you can pick it up from the wall racks by 5517 Sterling.

Homework counts toward your final grade: so it must be your own work. Remember that you'll have to take the tests alone – make sure you understand the material by working through the assignment yourself.

GRADING:	6-Week Exam	20%
	12-Week Exam	20%
	Final	40%
	Homework, Labs, and Discussion	20%

MID-TERM EXAMS MISSED THROUGH ILLNESS: If you cannot take a mid-term because you are ill, you must contact the instructor or the department office (262-3071) **on or before** the day of the test, and explain why.