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Physics Digest

News, info, and updates for Ph.D. students in Physics at UW–Madison

April 16th, 2021

Announcements

Fill out EGARS for Summer 2021!

Deadline: April 16th, 2021

The Department of Physics expects 9, 50% TA positions to be available for the eight-week summer session in 2021 (June 14-August 8) in Physics 103, 104, and 202. Fill out EGARS [here](#) before the April 16 deadline to let us know if you are doing an RA for the summer or if you are requesting a TA position.

2020-2021 Department of Physics Student Awards

Deadline: April 18th, 2021

Every year the department offers a variety of awards and scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students. To apply for awards, students must use WiSH - Wisconsin Scholarship Hub - in their [student center](#) and submit a statement of purpose and letter of support from a mentor. Awards typically range from \$250-\$5,000 and the list of awards can be found [here](#).

Spring 2021 Grading Policies Updated: SD/UD Available for Grad Students

UW-Madison will implement a very similar disruption grading policy in spring 2021 as it did in spring 2020, with the amendment noted below (see #2) that UD (Unsatisfactory-Disruption) be changed to (University Disruption-No Credit).

Change to description of spring 2020 "UD" grades: The UD grade, used on the transcript for the spring 2020 term, will remain as "UD". In public facing documents, such as the transcript legend and the Guide, the UD grade will be defined as "University Disruption-No Credit".

Pandemic transcript notation: In the transcript memorandum section for any student enrolled at UW-Madison during spring 2020-spring 2021, this standard statement will be applied: "A global public health emergency in spring 2020, summer 2020, fall 2020 and spring 2021 required marked changes to university operations that may have significantly affected student enrollment, learning and grading."

Summer 2021 Course Announcement- LSC 560: Scientific Writing

Date: June 14th - July 18th, 2021

LSC 560 focuses on writing for a broad, interdisciplinary audience of researchers and the fundamental concepts and skills it covers apply to communicating with many other audiences, as well, including policy makers, managers, doctors, foundations and NGOs, and the public. For questions, contact [Madeline Fisher](#).