## PHYS 110 – Lecture 6

Today: Undergraduate Research Opportunities

- Announcements
- Intro to Physics research
- Faculty panel discussion

# iClicker Question: What do I need to do to get a 'Satisfactory' (S) in Phys 110?

- A. Participate in 4 classes 75%
- B. Complete the online Laboratory Safety Training and email the certificate 18%, due Oct. 16
- C. None of the above
- D. All of the above



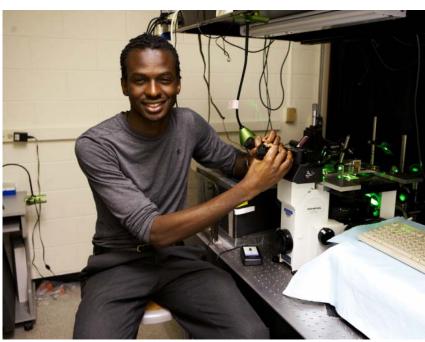
Only 2 lectures left! Check course website & gradebook!

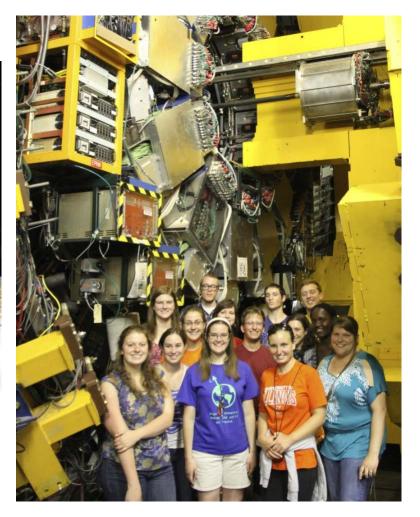
https://courses.physics.illinois.edu/phys110/fa2021/

#### Undergraduate Research

Advantage of being at a big research university!

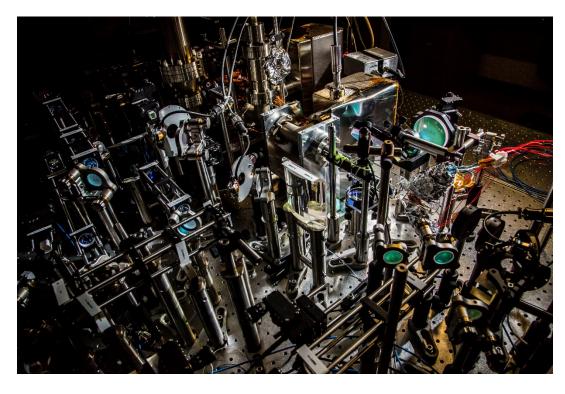


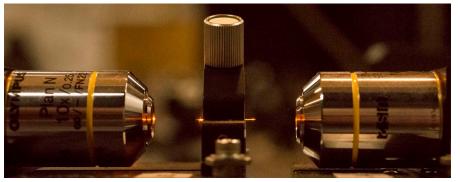


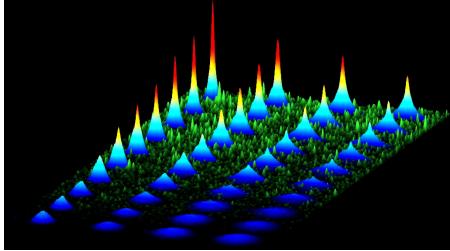


# Atomic, Molecular, & Optical (AMO) and Quantum Information Science (QIS)

Interaction of light and matter: coldest stuff in the universe, exotic states of quantum entangled matter and light, quantum cryptography & communication, ...

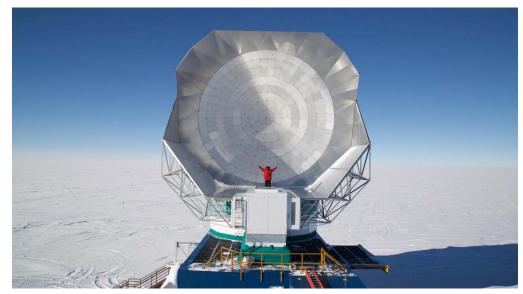


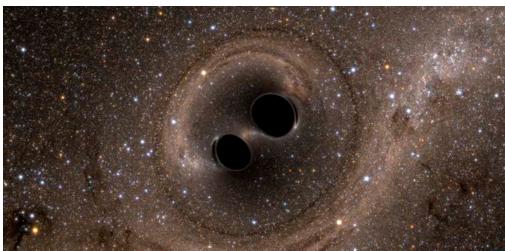


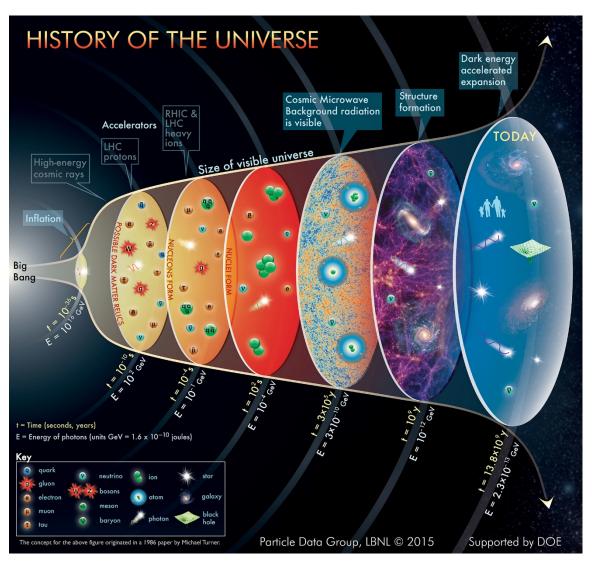


#### Astrophysics, Gravitation, & Cosmology

Nature at the largest scales: the big bang, dark matter, gravity waves, ...

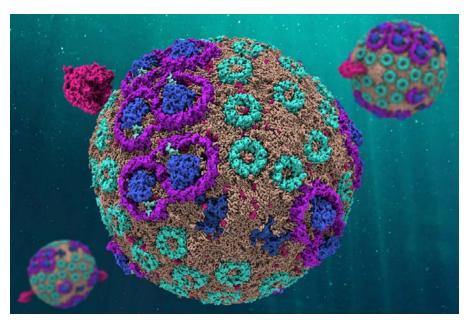




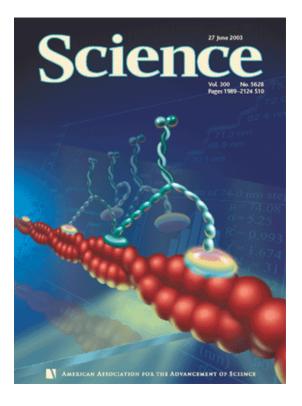


### Biological physics

The physics of living things: molecular processes in single cells, quantitative evolution, quantum biology (avian magnetoreception)...

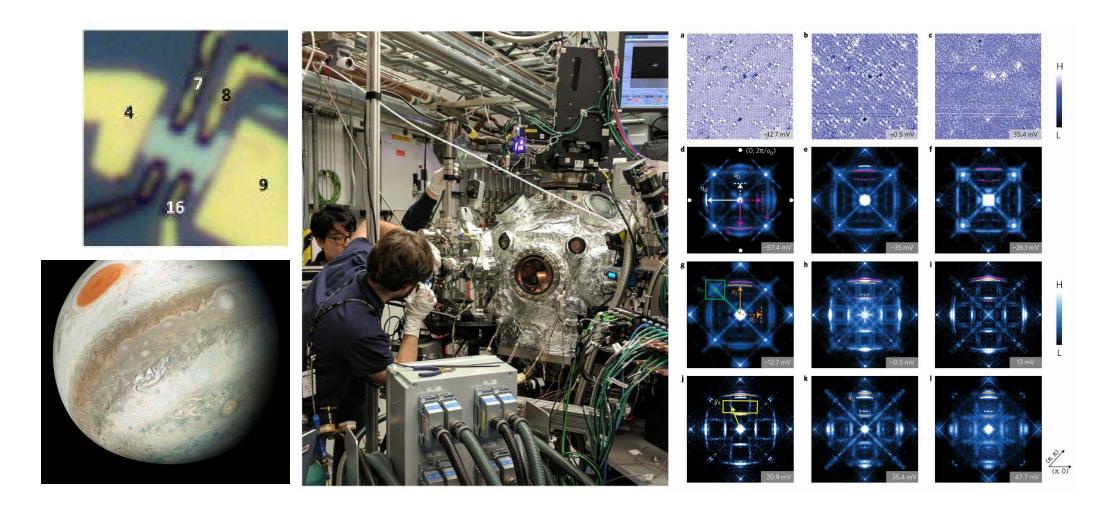






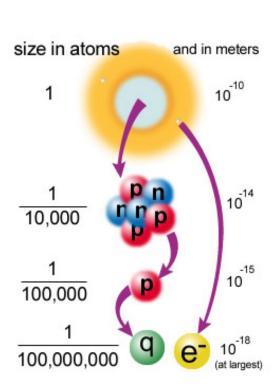
### **Condensed Matter Physics**

Properties of materials and collections of particles: superconductors, gas giants, carbon nanotubes, graphene, topological insulators, ...

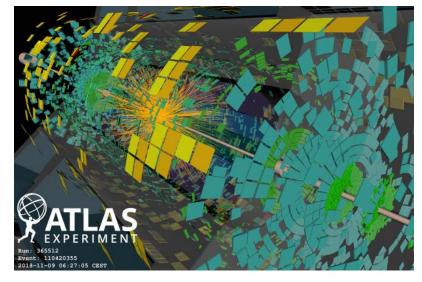


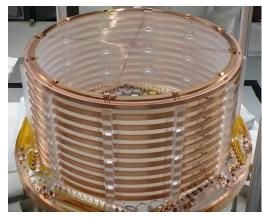
### High Energy / Nuclear Physics

Studying nature at its smallest level: fundamental forces, quark-gluon plasma, double-beta decay, new particles (Higgs), ...











### Physics Education Research

#### The science of teaching physics!

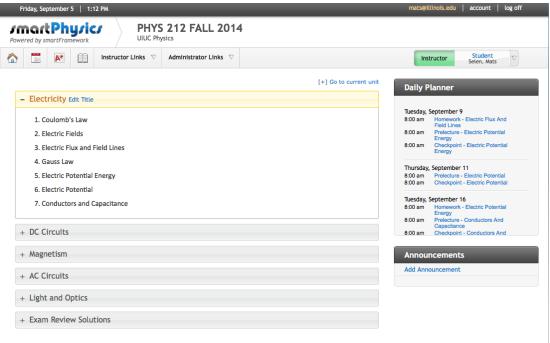














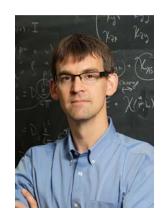


# iClicker Question: When should I get involved in research as an undergrad?

- A. Only during junior or senior year
- B. Only if planning to apply to graduate school
- C. Only if able to work in the same lab multiple years
- D. None of the above
- E. All of the above



#### **Faculty Panel**



**Peter Abbamonte** 

Condensed Matter Experiment



**Yann Chemla** 

Biological Physics

Experiment



**Eugene Colla** 

Condensed Matter

Experiment



**Paul Kwiat** 

AMO & QIS

Experiment



**Anne Sickles** 

Nuclear Physics

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**Experiment** 

#### Some resources

Research Groups & Centers – information hub on Illinois Physics research, faculty pages:

https://physics.illinois.edu/research/groups-and-centers

Undergraduate Research Readiness Portal (URRP) – seeking research opportunities, uploading CVs, and applying to work: <a href="https://physics.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduates">https://physics.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduates</a>

SPS events (e.g. Undergraduate Research Symposium)

Emails from Associate Head (me) and others on research opportunities