Physics at Truman

Degrees offered

BA
Physics

BS

Physics

Minors offered
Physics, Astronomy

65
approximate number of students in the major

40
approximate number of students in one of these minors

6
full-time faculty members

100%
of faculty have a terminal degree

60%
of Physics graduates go immediately to graduate school

Notable graduate schools
- University of Missouri – Columbia
- Washington University
- University of Colorado – Boulder
- Duke University (Medical Physics)
- Arizona State University
- University of Illinois

Physics/Astronomy research is highly valued and strongly encouraged.

Astronomy facilities at the Observatory on the University Farm have recently been upgraded.

50%
of students complete a summer research experience

Interested in engineering?
Pursue our Pre-Engineering track or our Physics/Engineering dual degree options.

The physics department here at Truman State University is a close-knit community of motivated scholars. In particular, I benefited greatly from the small class sizes and professors always being willing and able to support you. During my first three years, I have taken classes with almost all of the physics professors, completed a research project with one of them, and led student organizations in physics where a few of them serve as advisors. Most of all, I was able to build real connections with professors and fellow students which have benefited me and will continue to benefit me throughout my career in physics.

— TATSUYA AKIBA, Class of 2019
Academic Interests: Physics and Mathematics double major, Astronomy and Computer Science minors, TruScholars Summer Undergraduate Research Program – Multi-filter Photometric Analysis of Six W Ursae Majoris (W UMa) Type Eclipsing Binary Stars
Student Organizations at Truman: Society of Physics Students (SPS), Stargazers Astronomy Club, Kappa Mu Epsilon (Mathematics honor society), Mathematical Association of America (MAA), Pi Kappa Phi (social fraternity), Japanese Language Exchange Group (JLEG)
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