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| Authority to Offer an Existing Course |
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| **DSU** |  | **College of Arts and Sciences** |
| **Institution** |  | **Division/Department** |

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| **Institutional Approval Signature** |  | **Date** |

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1. **Is this a request to offer an existing common course or an existing unique course (approval will change course status from unique to common)?**

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| Common Course |  |
| Unique Course |  |

1. **Provide the complete description as it appears in the system database including pre-requisites and co-requisites.**

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| **Prefix & No.** | **Course Title** | | **Credits** |
| PHYS185 | Astronomy I | | 2-3 |
| **Course Description** | |  | |
| This is a descriptive course that introduces students to solar system astronomy. Emphasis is placed on the development of astronomy, optical instruments and techniques, and solar objects. | | | |

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| **Prefix & No.** | **Course Title** | | **Credits** |
| PHYS185L | Astronomy I Lab | | 0-1 |
| **Course Description** | |  | |
| This laboratory accompanies PHYS 185 | | | |

**Pre-requisites or Co-requisites (add lines as needed, make sure to copy boxes in Pre-req and Co-req cells)**

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| **Prefix & No.** | **Course Title** | **Pre-req** | **Co-req** |
| PHYS 185L | Astronomy I Lab is Co-requisite to PHYS 185 | No | Yes |

1. **Universities currently offering this course (*place an “X” in the appropriate boxes*):**

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|  | BHSU |  | DSU |  | NSU |  | SDSMT |  | SDSU |  | USD |

DSU did reach out to BHSU, SDSU, and USD asking for permission to offer. All three universities expressed that they thought there were enough sections being offered.

1. **Does Offering the Course Create FTE Implications? Yes**

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| **If no**, Replacement of | |  | | (deletion form attached) | | |
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|  | Effective Date of Deletion: | | Click here to enter a date. | | |

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| **5. Does Offering the Course Create Schedule Management Implications?** | No |
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| **Explain:** The intent is to offer the courses in the summer and therefore not influence  faculty workload during the academic year. Then based on enrollments, a section can be added in either the fall or spring semester. | |

We seek permission to offer this course for several reasons:

* This is the first time in several years, that we have had a faculty member with expertise in this area and he is very interested in teaching the course.
* While we may offer the course during the fall or spring semester, our primary thoughts are to make this a summer offering (less stress on fall/spring workload issues) and give our online students additional choices in Goal #6. Presently, we have a small offering of courses in this goal making it difficult for online students to meet the Goal #6 requirement.
* We are building a small observatory for students as part of offering this general education astronomy course and other organizations such as scouts, girl scouts, and area school districts could also use the observatory for school projects.
* The faculty member will also use it for his funded I-STEM summer camps and DSU will have a NASA uplink day in the fall with one of their missions.

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| **6. Existing program(s) in which course will be offered:** | | General Education |
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| **7. CIP Code for the course:** | 40.0201 | |

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| **8. Proposed instructional method by this university:** | 185 Lecture / 185L Laboratory |

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| **8. Proposed delivery method by this university:** | 018 & 001\_\_\_ |

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| **9. University Dept. Code:** | DSCI |

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| **10. Authority to offer effective beginning in what term?** | Fall 2018 |

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| **11. Section Restriction:** | None |