PINCIPAL COURSES

General astronomy

- 1. Objects and problems of astronomy
- 2. Principles of spherical, practical and positional astronomy
- 3. Motion and shape of the Earth,. Principles of Celestial mechanics
- 4. Main methods and instruments of astrophysics
- 5. The Sun and Solar System
- 6. Stars and Galaxy
- 7. The Metagalaxy. Principles of Cosmology

Spherical astronomy

- 1. Principles of spherical trigonometry. Spherical coordinates
- 2. Measurement of time. Daily rotation of celestial sphere
- 3. Refraction. Aberration of light
- 4. Parallax. Precession and nutation
- 5. Mean and apparent places of celestial bodies

Positional astronomy

- 1. Object and problems of positional astronomy. Practical astronomy
- 2. Determinations of coordinates of celestial bodies. Fundamental and inertial coordinate systems
- 3. Theory of Earth rotation. Motion of poles
- 4. Time and its measurement
- 5. Positional astronomy on the Moon. System of Astronomical Constants

Celestial mechanics

- 1. Gravitation fields of celestial bodies. Problem of many bodies
- 2. Problem of two bodies. General solution and classification of motions
- 3. Additional questions of Kepler's motion
- 4. Principles of perturbed motion theory. Stability of motion in celestial mechanics
- 5. Problem of three bodies
- 6. Principles of Solar System bodies motion theory.

General astrophysics

- 1. Subject and problems of astrophysics
- 2. Main astrophysical instruments. Telescopes.
- 3. Spectral devices. Principles of photometry
- 4. Radiation sensors
- 5. Methods of astrophysical research
- 6. Methods of determination of physical characteristics of celestial bodies
- 7. The Solar System. The Sun
- 8. Stellar atmospheres. Double stars
- 9. Internal structure of stars and non-stationary stars
- 10. Interstellar medium in Galaxy
- 11. Galaxy and Metagalaxy. Principles of cosmology

Theoretical astrophysics

- 1. Photospheres of stars. Models of stellar photospheres
- 2. Stellar atmospheres. Determination of chemical composition of stellar atmospheres
- 3. The Sun. Photosphere, chromosphere and corona of the Sun
- 4. Radioemission of the Sun
- 5. Gas nebulae
- 6. Non-stationary stars
- 7. Interstellar medium
- 8. Internal structure and evolution of stars

Stellar astronomy

- 1. Spatial characteristics of star distributions. Absolute magnitudes
- 2. Motion of stars. Stellar dynamics
- 3. Stellar statistics. Structure of the Galaxy
- 4. Extragalactic astronomy. Physics of galaxies

Principles of ecology

- 1. Problems of ecology and role of astronomy for their solving
- 2. Classes of natural objects and their spectral characteristics
- 3. Mathematical formalism of remote sensing
- 4. Remote sensing of Earth atmosphere
- 5. Radar and space methods and techniques of remote sensing of Earth

Methods of astronomical researches

- 1. Principles of Fourier optics
- 2. Theory of diffraction-limited optical systems
- 3. Partial coherence
- 4. Principles of theory of turbulence
- 5. Radiation transfer in turbulent medium
- 6. Adaptive optics and specle-interferometry

Theory of probability and mathematical statistics

- 1. Basic conceptions of theory of probability
- 2. Variates and their distribution functions
- 3. Random vectors and their distribution functions
- 4. Boundary theorems of theory of probability
- 5. General conceptions and problems of mathematical statistics
- 6. Random functions. Stationary random functions
- 7. Advanced methods of theory of random functions

Computer sciences

- 1. Computer viruses and protection from it
- 2. Using computers in scientific work and teaching
- 3. Electronic mail and Internet
- 4. Constructing effective calculation algorithms
- 5. Algorithms of image processing, local and integral algorithms

Computer sciences in astronomy

- 1. Computer planning of astronomical experiment
- 2. Computer planetariums and almanacs
- 3. Electronic stellar catalogues and atlases
- 4. Database obtained with space techniques
- 5. Formats of astronomical images
- 6. Electronic publications
- 7. Aperture photometry

Cosmology

- 1. Principles of general relativity
- 2. Relativistic cosmology of uniform and isotropic Universe
- 3. Physical evolution of Universe
- 4. Early Universe. Multiverses
- 5. Anthropic principle

History and methodology of astronomy

- 1. Science of science, its aim and problems
- 2. Place of Astronomy in system of scientific knowledge
- 3. Formation of scientific astronomy in frame of antique natural philosophy
- 4. Evolution of astronomy from antiquity to modern time
- 5. First revolution in astronomy. Differentiation of astronomical knowledge
- 6. Second revolution in astronomy. Methodological problems of modern astronomy
- 7. Astronomy and cosmonautic. SETI Problem
- 8. Near scientific forms of social consciousness. Astronomy and astrology

Methods and organization of scientific work

- 1. Main forms and stages of scientific works
- 2. Organization of observational Scientific Research Works (SRWs)
- 3. Organization of SRWs for processing and interpretation of observational data
- 4. Cooperative SRWs and international cooperation
- 5. Publications and application of results of SRWs. Financing of SRWs

Method of astronomical teaching in high school

- 1. History of development and structure of modern high education
- 2. Role and place of high astronomical education, its levels and forms
- 3. Preparation of professional astronomers
- 4. Preparation of specialists of high qualification
- 5. Methods of teaching of some fields of astronomy
- 6. Astronomy in secondary school and principles its teaching

Protection of labor in astronomy

- 1. Specific of protection of labor in astronomy
- 2. Observer safety during astronomical observations
- 3. Safety of work with high-voltage equipment, lasers and ionizing radiation
- 4. Safety of work with computer

5. Questions of safety in teaching process

ASTRONOMY SPECIAL COURSES

Physics of stars

- 1. Origin of stars and early stage of their evolution
- 2. Sources of stellar energy
- 3. Evolution of stars with different mass and close binary stars
- 4. Final stages of star evolution

Physics of planets

- 1. Gravitation fields of planets
- 2. Figures of planets, free and astronomical precession
- 3. Atmospheres and internal structure of terrestrial planets and giant planets
- 4. Principles of photometry and polarimetry of planets
- 5. Radar observations of planets

Chemistry and geology of planets

- 1. Chemical composition of Solar System
- 2. Principles of mineralogy and petrology
- 3. Geology of planets and satellites
- 4. Geology of Earth and Moon

Introduction to cosmonautics

- 1. Main stages of cosmonautics development
- 2. Physical and technical principles of cosmonautics
- 3. Perturbation motion of artificial satellites of planets
- 4. Interorbital and interplanetary flights

Structure and evolution of Galaxy

- 1. Classification, origin and structure of celestial bodies
- 2. Star clusters and associations
- 3. General composition and structure of Galaxy
- 4. Origin and evolution of Galaxy

New methods in positional astronomy

- 1. Radio astrometry, Radio interferometry
- 2. Position astronomy of artificial satellites of Earth
- 3. Space positional astronomy

Stars and substars evolution

- 1. Substars and extrasolar planets
- 2. Methods of detection of extrasolar planets and substars
- 3. Results of detection of extrasolar planets and substars

- 4. Internal structure and evolution of substars
- 5. Extrasolar planets and life in Universe

Infrared astronomy

- 1. Sensors of IR-radiation and their noises
- 2. IR-photometers
- 3. Terrestrial and space IR-telescopes
- 4. Results of celestial bodies researches in IR-range

Extragalactic astronomy

- 1. Statistical dependences between characteristics of galaxies
- 2. Dark matter problem
- 3. Diffuse matter in galaxies
- 4. Cosmic rays and magnetic fields of galaxies

Optics of planetary surfaces

- 1. Observational determination of planetary surfaces optical properties
- 2. Laboratory modeling of optical properties
- 3. Theoretical investigations of optical properties

Problems of modern astrophysics

- 1. Problems of continuum mechanics
- 2. Problems of planetary seismology
- 3. Turbulence and shockwaves on the Sun and interstellar medium
- 4. Problems of magnetic hydrodynamics in plasma
- 5. Wave processes in cosmic plasma
- 6. Problems of physics and astrophysics of high energies

SPECIAL PRACTICAL WORKS

- 1. Special practical works «Methods of mathematical statistics in astronomy»
- 2. Special practical works on theoretical astrophysics
- 3. Special practical works on stellar astronomy

THEACHING PRACTICES

- 1. Computing practice
- 2. Position astronomy practice
- 3. Astrophysics practice