



AMERICAN ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

We are excited that you are considering an **undergraduate major in astronomy**! As potential astronomers in training, the American Astronomical Society may represent your interests on the national scale and creates workshops, programming, and resources to support the broader community. Below you will find links to helpful resources for beginning your undergraduate journey. Please visit the AAS website (<https://www.aas.org>) to learn more about everything the AAS has to offer.

Why should I major in astronomy?

These resources provide information about the skills and knowledge you will gain through an astronomy major. They also showcase some of the major research topics currently being explored in the field of astronomy — research in which you could be involved, even as an undergraduate!



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What can I do with a major in astronomy?



These resources highlight potential jobs, both inside and outside of astronomy, for which your undergraduate degree will prepare you well. Resources include: general information about graduate school in astronomy, timelines for applying for graduate school and nonacademic jobs, and general career advice.

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How can I make the most of my major?

These resources will help you take advantage of all the experiences and opportunities available to undergraduate astronomy majors. Resources include: summer research experience advertisements, opportunities to learn about cutting edge research in accessible ways, tools to improve your science communication, and advice on balancing life and work/study.



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