

5. Outline how astronomical distances are measured.

What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

- Students will be encouraged to observe the night sky, locate constellations and planets.

A dedicated internet 'Padlet', unique to this course, will be available. You will be able to use this to ask the tutor questions.

What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion

- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor

- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning

- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions

- Students will be encouraged to give feedback on their individual observations.

What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?

- It would be helpful if you had access to the internet (Mobile phone, tablet or computer at home or through a library etc.)

- We shall be using software, images, videos available on the internet. Access to these would be useful but not essential.

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- No pre reading is required but research on the subject on the internet or in the library may be helpful

- There are many popular astronomical books easily available. Perhaps watch 'The Sky at Night' on BBC4.

Have a look at my page: <http://www.astronomy-glenn.blogspot.com>

The Book Box will be available during the sessions.

Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)

- A comprehensive 'What Next' suggestions will be available.

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year.

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