

# FACTS

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### FACULTY

- ♦ 84 Tenure-track and tenured faculty
- ♦ 60 Full Professors (includes 8 Distinguished Univ. Professors; 2 Distinguished Univ. Fellows; 2 Univ. Sys. Of MD Regents Professors)
- ♦ 1 Named Chair: Alford Ward Chair of Semiconductor Physics
- ♦ 6 Associate Professors
- ♦ 6 Assistant Professors
- ♦ 2 Chancellors Emeritus
- ♦ 1 President Emeritus (UM)
- ♦ 19 Research Scientists
- ♦ 62 Research Associates
- ♦ 70 Faculty Research Assistants
- ♦ 6 Slawsky Tutoring Clinic Staff

### FACULTY AWARDS & HONORS

- ♦ Boltzmann Medal
- ♦ COSPAR Medal
- ♦ Buckley Prize-Condensed Matter
- ♦ Dirac Medal
- ♦ Distinguished Scholar-Teachers
- ♦ Goeppert-Mayer Award
- ♦ Guthrie Medal & Prize (UK)
- ♦ Heinemann Prize-Mathematical Physics
- ♦ Hirschfelder Prize
- ♦ Humboldt Prize
- ♦ Irving Langmuir Prize
- ♦ Lenin Prize (USSR)
- ♦ Maxwell Prize in Plasma Physics
- ♦ Meggers Award
- ♦ Millikan Medal
- ♦ Nobel Prize
- ♦ Onsager Prize in Statistical Physics
- ♦ Simon Memorial Prize
- ♦ Szilard Award
- ♦ Tate Medal
- ♦ Wetherill Medal
- ♦ Wolf Prize
- ♦ World Science for Peace Prize
- ♦ APS Fellows
- ♦ American Academy of Arts & Science Fellows
- ♦ American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellows
- ♦ A VS Fellows
- ♦ AGU Fellows
- ♦ Cottrell Scholars Fellowship
- ♦ Guggenheim Fellows
- ♦ IEEE Fellows
- ♦ NY (PIY)'s
- ♦ Presidential Early Career Award
- ♦ Packard Fellow
- ♦ Sloan Fellows
- ♦ National Academy of Science Members
- ♦ New York Academy of Science Members
- ♦ Washington Academy of Science Fellows
- ♦ Members of the Royal Society

### STUDENTS

- ♦ 225 Undergraduate Majors
- ♦ 215 Graduate Students
- ♦ 20 Graduate Fellows
- ♦ 48 Entering Undergraduate Students in 2006
- ♦ Average SAT for Fall 2006 incoming freshmen:  
Math - 720  
Verbal - 670
- ♦ 138 Graduate Research Assistants
- ♦ 43 Teaching Assistants
- ♦ 1 : 18 ratio of faculty to undergraduate majors

### DEPARTMENT RANKING

- ♦ 1st among public universities on the East Coast;
  - ♦ 4th among all public universities
  - ♦ 13th among all physics departments nationally
- (2003 U.S. News & World Report)

**SIZE:** One of the largest physics research programs in the U.S.

### GRADUATE EDUCATION & RESEARCH PROGRAMS

#### Experimental Groups (15):

- ♦ Astro-Metrology (AM)
- ♦ Atomic Molecular & Optical (AMO)
- ♦ Center for Superconductivity Research (CSR)
- ♦ Condensed Matter (CME)
- ♦ Cosmic Ray Physics (CRP)
- ♦ Gravitation Experiment (GRE)
- ♦ High Energy Physics with Accelerators (HEP)
- ♦ Non Linear Dynamics & Chaos (NLDC)
- ♦ Nuclear Physics (NPE)
- ♦ Particle Astrophysics (PA)
- ♦ Physics Education Research Group (PERG)
- ♦ Quantum Electronics: Relativity & Quantum Mechanics (QE)
- ♦ Space Physics (SP)
- ♦ Spintronics & Spin Quantum Computing (SSQC)
- ♦ Superconducting Quantum Computing (SQC)

#### Theoretical Groups (11):

- ♦ Atomic Molecular & Optical (AMO)
- ♦ Condensed Matter (CMT)
- ♦ Dynamical Systems & Accelerator Theory (DSAT)
- ♦ Elementary Particles (EP)
- ♦ Gravitation Theory (GT)
- ♦ Non Linear Dynamics & Chaos (NLDC)
- ♦ Plasma Physics (PPT)
- ♦ Theoretical Quarks, Hadrons & Nuclei (TQHN)
- ♦ Quantum Coherency & Information (QCI)
- ♦ Spintronics & Spin Quantum Computing (SSQC)

#### Other UM Research Involvements:

- ♦ Charged Particle Beam Research (CPB)
- ♦ Chemical Physics (CP)
- ♦ Institute for Physics Science & Technology (IPST)
- ♦ Institute for Research in Electronics & Applied Physics (IREAP)
- ♦ Institute for Systems Research (ISR)
- ♦ Institute for Advanced Computer Studies (UMAICS)
- ♦ Mathematical Physics (MP)

## BUDGET & FUNDING

- ◆ *FY '02 State Budget*  
\$10.8 M
- ◆ *FY '02 Externally Funded Research Expenditures*  
\$20 M
- ◆ *Total FY '02 Budget*  
\$30.8 M

## UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- ◆ B.S. degree in traditional physics provides career skills or preparation for graduate study. Interdisciplinary tracks including meteorology and education
- ◆ Honors Program in Physics
- ◆ Physical Sciences Program
- ◆ Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) provides hands-on research experience for undergraduates
- ◆ Slawsky Tutoring Clinic
- ◆ Society of Physics Students-very active chapter of national society

## OUTREACH PROGRAMS

- ◆ Physics is Phun (since 1982). A public lecture-demonstration series; 4 programs per year, each offered on 3 consecutive days

Total attendance is 5,000 per year

- ◆ Traveling Physics is Phun Van presents program to schools & organizations in the region
- ◆ Annual Physics Olympics. Competition involves 35-40 teams from high schools in Maryland, Northern Virginia, & Washington, D.C.
- ◆ AAPT Physics Olympiad training. UM has served as the training site for 10 years
- ◆ Physics Summer Outreach Program for Middle School Girls. A two-week program offered on campus for 14 years.
- ◆ MRSEC Outreach: adopted Kettering Middle School; offers Research Experiences for Undergraduates program; industrial outreach; exchange program with Osaka Univ.; Summer Girls Program.

## EXTERNAL RELATIONS

### *United States*

- ◆ American Center for Physics. Relocated to College Park, adjacent to UM, in November '93. Cooperative activities.
- ◆ American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT)
- ◆ American Institute of Physics
- ◆ American Physical Society (APS). (UM Physics Professor, Dr. Robert Park, is Executive Director of the APS Office of Public Affairs)
- ◆ American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM)
- ◆ Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (formerly CEBAF/SURA). Participant in multi-university experiments
- ◆ Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. Participant in D0 and E665 experiments.
- ◆ NASA & UM East-West Space Science Center. Space Station collaboration

### *NASA Goddard Space Flight Center collaborations:*

- ◆ Laboratory for Astronomy and Solar Physics
- ◆ Laboratory for High Energy Astrophysics
- ◆ Naval Research Laboratory (NRL)
- ◆ Cooperative Program in Plasma Physics
- ◆ National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) collaborations
- ◆ Physics Laboratory (Electron and Optical Physics Division; Radiometric Physics Division)
- ◆ Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory (Reactor Radiation Division)
- ◆ National Institutes of Health (NIH). Biophysics of fellowships
- ◆ Neocera, Inc.-graduate of UM incubator program-spin-off company of Center for Superconductivity Research; manufactures thin-film hardware and related technologies
- ◆ Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA). SURA Fellowships
- ◆ Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) Participant in BABAR experiment at the B-Factory

### *International*

- ◆ Center for European Nuclear Research (CERN, Geneva). Participate in OPAL and CMS experiments
- ◆ National Central University, Taiwan. Collaborative exchange agreement with UM Physics Dept.
- ◆ Nuclear Science Center, New Delhi, India. Participate in experiments on ion-beam effects on superconductors. University of Bremen, Germany.

## FACILITIES

### 8 Shop Facilities

- ◆ Mechanical Development
- ◆ Electronic Development
- ◆ Engineering and Design
- ◆ Technical Illustration
- ◆ Print Shop
- ◆ Student Shop
- ◆ Raw Materials Stores
- ◆ Physical Stores
- ◆ Largest Lecture-Demo Facility in the United States — over 1,500 demonstrations, (seats 500). With World Wide Web access:

<http://www.physics.umd.edu/deptinfo/facilities/lecdem>

## AFFILIATED CENTERS

- ◆ Center for Superconductivity Research
- ◆ East-West Space Science Center
- ◆ NSF Materials Research Science & Engineering Center
- ◆ Condensed Matter Theory Center
- ◆ Center for Particle & String Theory
- ◆ Center for Scientific Computation & Mathematical Modeling
- ◆ Institute for Physical Science & Technology
- ◆ Institute for Research in Electronics & Applied Physics (IREAP)
- ◆ Institute for Systems Research
- ◆ Institute for Advanced Computer Studies
- ◆ Maryland Center for Integrated Nano Science & Engineering
- ◆ Materials Research Science & Engineering Center

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### Research Groups— Abbreviation Key

AM— Astro Meteorology  
AMO— Atomic Molecular & Optical Physics  
CSR— Center for Superconductivity Research  
CPB— Charged Particle Beam Research  
CP— Chemical Physics  
CME— Condensed Matter— Experimental  
CMT— condensed Matter— Theoretical  
DSAT— Dynamical Systems & Accelerators Theory  
EWC— East-West Space Science Center  
EP— Elementary Particles  
GRE— General Relativity— Experimental  
GRT— General Relativity— Theoretical  
HEP— High Energy Physics with Accelerators  
IPST— Institute for Research in Electronics & Applied Physics  
IREAP— Institute for Systems Research  
MP— Mathematical Physics  
MRSEC— Materials Research Science & Engineering Center (NSF)  
NLDC— Non Linear Dynamics & Chaos  
NPE— Nuclear Physics  
PA— Particle Astrophysics  
PPE— Plasma Physics— Experimental  
PPT— Plasma Physics— Theoretical  
QE— Quantum Electricity: Relativity & Quantum Mechanics  
TQHN— Theoretical Quarks, Hadron & Nuclei  
PERG— Physics Education Research Group  
SP— Space Physics

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