

You are receiving this email because you are either registered for PH121 or CO150 in Fall 2009. Should you wish to take these courses concurrently this fall, you have the chance to take part in a unique learning experience. This opportunity is available to a small group of students (24) who will be placed in specific sections of Physics 121 and Composition 150.

Students in CO150 focus on understanding and writing for rhetorical situations, critical reading and response, and writing source-based argument for academic and public audiences. In the special section of CO150, taught by Jill Salahub, students will take advantage of their shared understanding of Physics, developed during their participation in PH121. They will consider the questions: “How do we know what we know?” and “How do we communicate what we know?” The exploration of these questions will take place in a technology rich course that includes video and audio projects, as well as traditional, written essays. This course will meet: MWF, 11:00-11:50 am in a computer classroom.

Physics is an empirical discipline; “what we know” is based on experiment. The PH121 course, taught by Brian Jones, will stress the empirical basis for our knowledge. Students in the special sections of PH121 will develop a deeper appreciation for the “How do we know what we know” as part of their CO150 experience, and will go beyond the normal assignments of the PH121 class to develop their skills in communicating this knowledge, explaining concepts and rationales in modes beyond the usual diagrams and equations. The special sections of PH121 will not meet at a different time—they will be concurrent with the regular lecture sections. These sections will meet: MWF, 9:00-9:50 am or MWF, 10:00-10:50 am.

If you are interested in taking part in this course partnership, you need to contact either Sue Russell ([Sue.Russell@Colostate.edu](mailto:Sue.Russell@Colostate.edu), 491-6428) in the English Department to be placed in the appropriate section of CO150; or Kathy Reischauer ([reischau@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:reischau@lamar.colostate.edu), 491-6206) in the Physics Department to be placed in the appropriate section of PHY121.

If you have any questions about these special sections, please feel free to contact Jill Salahub ([jill.salahub@colostate.edu](mailto:jill.salahub@colostate.edu)) or Brian Jones ([brian.jones@colostate.edu](mailto:brian.jones@colostate.edu)).