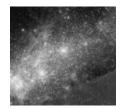
Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics presents: Einstein Plus: International Teachers' Workshop on Modern Physics 2007

<u>July 2 to July 7</u>, <u>July 9 – July 14</u> and <u>July 16 to July 21</u>









"It is enough if one tries merely to comprehend a little of this mystery every day." — Albert Einstein

- How can you make modern physics accessible to your students?
- What deep insights and enduring understandings should you teach your pupils when it comes to this field of endeavour?
- How does modern physics play a key role in technologies such as the Global Positioning System?
- What innovative teaching strategies can you employ to improve all of your classes?

What is Einstein Plus?

Einstein Plus is a week-long intensive workshop for high school teachers on the wonders of modern physics and innovative teaching strategies for all areas of physics; modern or otherwise. During the week, you will:

- Discuss and be given *classroom-tested* resources on modern physics relevant to most high school curricula
- Hear about some of the very latest developments in theoretical physics from world-class experts at the forefront of research
- Learn about innovative teaching techniques applicable to all of your classes.

What topics will be covered?

The syllabus of Einstein Plus will cover many key areas of modern physics and include the following topics with curriculum connections:

- <u>Special relativity</u>: Postulates of special relativity, time dilation, length contraction, and paradoxes (such as the twin paradox)
- Aspects of general relativity: Global Positioning System
- Quantum physics: Photoelectric effect, double-slit experiment, polarization
- <u>Cosmology</u>: Dark matter as an application of uniform circular motion and Newtonian universal gravitation









In addition to covering the material above, during Einstein Plus you will also be exposed to a number of the hottest topics at the forefront of research in theoretical physics. Some of these areas will be explained by world-class Perimeter Institute researchers via a series of presentations on selected areas from Perimeter Institute's fields of expertise: quantum computing, quantum teleportation, entanglement, quantum gravity, cosmology, particle physics, foundations of quantum mechanics and superstring theory.

General Format

Mornings: Presentations on the conceptual foundations of modern physics and

related pedagogical issues.

Afternoons: Keynote presentations by Perimeter Institute researchers and lab tours.

Evenings: Social activities and further discussions.

Throughout the week, there will be ample time for discussion. *Prior to the workshop, you will be asked to bring along any teaching resources or ideas related to modern physics that you wish to share with fellow participants.*

When?

The dates for this year's workshops are as follows:

- Monday, July 2 to Saturday, July 7
- Monday, July 9 to Saturday, July 14
- Monday, July 16 to Saturday, July 21

Arrival dates will be the day prior to each workshop. *Einstein Plus* will be held on location at Perimeter Institute's award winning facility in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

How can I apply?

Teachers must submit an application package and a letter of recommendation from their principal by **Thursday**, **April 12**, **2007**.

The program will include 120 teachers overall (40 per workshop), including 40 international participants.

What does Perimeter Institute cover?

International teachers must <u>provide their own</u> transportation to and from Toronto's Pearson International airport and their home country.

Perimeter Institute covers the following expenses:

- Travel to and from Toronto and Waterloo, Canada
- Accommodation in Waterloo for the duration of the workshop
- All meals in Waterloo for the duration of the program

Accommodation is provided in single-occupancy rooms at the Ron Eydt Village Residence on the nearby University of Waterloo campus (www.housing.uwaterloo.ca/residences/rev/).







