

Fall 2018 – Spring 2019:

The MacAdam Student Observatory is located on the upper deck of Parking Structure #2 at 301 Hilltop Ave, adjacent to the William T. Young Library. No permit is required between 7:30 PM and 5 AM on our observing nights. Students are requested to park on the lowest available deck to minimize vibration at the telescope. The pedestrian entrance to the observatory is at the south entrance (the door nearest to the Jacobs Science Building).

Observing sessions begin at 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, and 10:30 PM.

For the fall 2018 semester, weather permitting, observing sessions will be on Mon-Tue-Wed Aug 27 through Wednesday Oct 10.

For the spring 2019 semester, weather permitting, observing sessions will be on Mon-Tue-Wed Mar 18 through Wednesday May 1.

The observatory will be closed for the following academic holidays:

Mon Sep 3	Labor Day
Wed Nov 21	Thanksgiving
Mon Jan 21	Martin Luther King Day
Mar 11 through 16	Spring Break

You may attend one of those on a first-come-first-served basis. The [website](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#) accounts are updated 1 hour before the first session. We do our best to be open if the weather permits viewing, but if it unexpectedly clouds up, the observatory will close. We rely on several web sites for predicting cloud cover, including Attila Danko's Clear Sky Chart for Lexington, KY (there is also a chart for Lexington, Nebraska, for example): <http://www.cleardarksky.com/c/LxntnKYkey.html?1>