

# Lecture 1

- ▶ Introduction and Course Overview

For a thorough discussion of the course see the course syllabus which can be found on the web at <http://www.nhn.ou.edu/~baron/ast1504/syl.pdf>

# Why Study Astronomy?

- ▶ Understand the nature of our Universe
- ▶ Understand our place in the Universe
- ▶ Understand how things in the Universe Evolve
- ▶ Understand where we came from
- ▶ Understand where we are going

Bottom line: Seek Understanding