# Bachelor of Arts in Physics: Concentration in Astronomy - Quantitative Reasoning Category I/II and Stretch English

**120 Total Units Required**  
Minimum Number of Units in the Major: **52**

This roadmap is a suggested plan of study and does not replace meeting with an advisor. Please note that students may need to adjust the actual sequence of courses based on course availability. Please consult an advisor in your major program for further guidance.

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<td>Introduction to Astronomy (Major Lower-Division Prerequisite, B1)</td>
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<td>Writing the First Year: Finding Your Voice Stretch I ¹</td>
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<td>The Big Bang - GWAR (Major Upper-Division Core)</td>
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## Eighth Semester

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Total Units: 120

1. ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.

2. Depending on courses completed through Early Start, students in Pathway/Category III or IV may be required to enroll in a support course to complement their Quantitative Reasoning/B4 requirement. There are multiple course options for this pathway. Before enrolling in a B4 course, students should verify their MATH Pathway/Category in their Student Center. Information regarding the courses that correspond with your MATH Pathway/Category can be found on the Developmental Studies Office Website.

3. To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet SF State Studies requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE or major.

4. Complementary Studies
   Upon completion of the B.A. in Physics program, students will have taken 12 units of Calculus courses that satisfy the Complementary Studies requirement for a B.A. degree.
   Students who have earned AA-T or AS-T degrees and are pursuing a similar B.A. degree at SF State are required to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement as defined by the major department. Students should consult with a major advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement in order to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

5. Major Elective (8 units)
   At least 8 units of upper-division courses in astronomy, physics, geosciences, mathematics or related subjects, selected on advisement. No more than 3 units of 600 level courses may count toward this requirement.