

**FOCUS COLLOQUIUM SYLLABUS AND SCHEDULE**  
**FALL 2013**

**Meeting Time:** Wednesdays, 1:50 – 3:00 pm

**Meeting Location:** Olin 101 unless otherwise noted

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**Office Hours:** Monday and Thursday, 10am – noon, and other times by arrangement (or just drop by!).

**Office:** Mudd 172

This course is graded S/Cr/NC. To earn an S, you need to attend and participate in class, collaborate effectively with partners on the course activities, and successfully complete the course projects.

<b>WEEK</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
1	Sept. 18, 2013	Welcome to and discussion of FOCUS Excel Workshop –Meet in Olin 101, walk to Mudd 268.
2	Sept. 25, 2013	Modeling Project Assignments, Discussion, Workshop Library 306.
3	Oct. 2, 2013	<i>Nobel Conference at Gustavus Adolphus College on the topic “The Universe at Its Limits” Oct. 1 &amp; 2, 2013</i> <b>(Strongly recommended but optional)</b> No class meeting.
4	Oct. 9, 2013	Kathy Evertz from the Academic Support Center.
5	Oct. 16, 2013	Workshop on Modeling Project <b>Bring your data and work on modeling it!</b> Mudd 268
6	Oct. 23, 2013	Discussion of Choosing Classes, Registration, etc. in advance of registration for winter term (to be followed by individual meetings with Deborah <b>before</b> registration starts!).
7	Oct. 30, 2013	Preparing a presentation: do’s and dont’s <b>Bring your data and your ideas for your presentation.</b> Mudd 268
8	Nov. 6, 2013	Seminars by scientists whose labs are outside of traditional laboratories: Cam Davidson, Geology Others, TBD.
9	Nov. 13, 2013	No class meeting.
10	Nov. 20, 2013	Modeling Project Presentations and End of term celebration. Location TBD.