

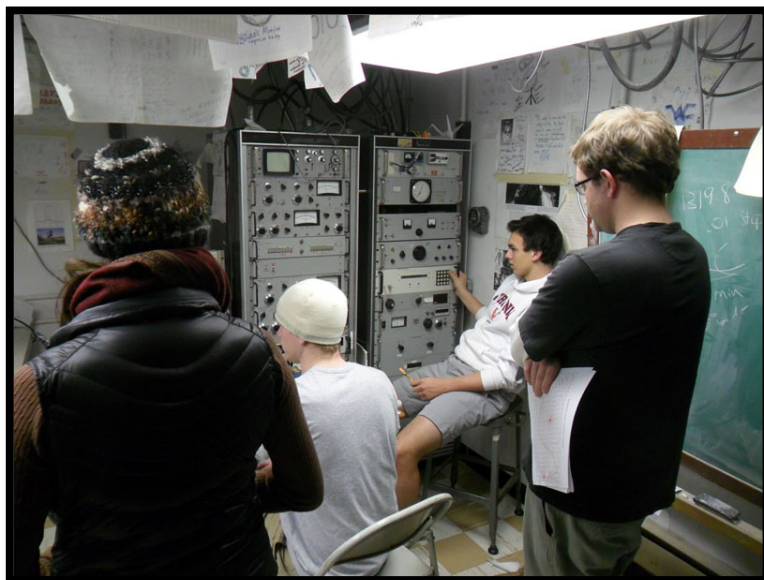
### Department News

Radford University has switched to a new system that manages the whole university's web space. The hope is that this will be around for many years to come. So now you can read more about the Physics Department at the following intuitive (finally!) address:  
<http://www.radford.edu/physics>.

### SPS News

The RU Society of Physics Students (SPS) has been especially active this year. Members of the SPS secured funding to travel to the National Radio Astronomy Observatory at Green Bank, January

20-22, 2012. While there they learned about radio astronomy and had control of the 40-foot-diameter teaching telescope. Over the weekend the students made a number of observations, and made a special attempt to get a signal from Smith's Cloud, a huge extragalactic hydrogen cloud that will crash into our galaxy in just under 30 million years. Better stock up on water.



### "Here, There and Everywhere" exhibit comes to RU

Here, There, and Everywhere (HTE) is a free NASA-funded program that consists of a series of exhibitions, posters, and supporting hands-on activities that utilize analogies in the teaching of science, engineering, and technology (STEM) to provide multi-generational and family-friendly content in both English and Spanish to small community centers, libraries, under-resourced small science centers for a period of 3-4 weeks. The purpose of the program is to connect cross-cutting science content (in Earth and planetary sciences and astrophysics) with everyday phenomena, helping to demonstrate the universality of physical laws and the connection between our everyday world and the universe as a whole to members of the public who may not identify strongly with science. The program will utilize multimodal content delivery (physical exhibits and handouts, interpretive stations, facilitated activities for educators as well as online materials) hosted by public science locations as identified by previous partnerships as well as through advertisement of opportunities. The exhibit is self-insured by the Smithsonian Institution. There are no direct costs to your institution for shipping or displaying the HTE exhibit or materials, though any additional resources you provide for the experience may require your own funds.

### Alumni Advisory Council

We need representation from our alumni on the College of Science and Technology's Alumni Advisory Council. This role may be served either remotely, or in person. We would like your input for our current majors with regards to needs and challenges for industry, teachers and graduate schools. Job search tips, professional connections and career advice are also appreciated. The Alumni Advisory Council meets yearly to connect with current faculty and students. The CSAT Alumni Advisory Council will meet again in October 2012. If you are interested in serving on this panel, please contact Dr. Rhett Herman, [rherman@radford.edu](mailto:rherman@radford.edu).

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*Let us know what you're doing, how you're doing, and where you're doing it!*

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