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MATH, ASTRONOMY
TO BE TAUGHT IN
SEPT. WOMEN'S COURSES

(FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE)

Traveling at a given speed, how long a time would a voyage to Mars require?

More women are able to answer this question this year than last, according to Mrs. Louise Roff, director of continuing education for women in the University of Minnesota General Extension Division.

Mrs. Roff commented on what she sees as the positive effects of space travel on knowledge of the universe as she announced two non-credit short courses in which women might take new interests in space and technology a step further.

The courses, in astronomy and mathematics, are scheduled for September. The math course, in addition to being useful for future courses in science and math, is for students of the social sciences in which facility in working with statistics is important, Mrs. Roff said.

"Time and Space" will be taught at MacPhail Center, 1128 LaSalle ave., Minneapolis, by Karlis Kaufmanis, an associate professor of astronomy, on Thursday mornings Sept. 4 through 25.

Kay Blair, formerly of the Minnesota School Mathematics Center, will teach the math course on the Minnespolis campus on Tuesday and Friday mornings Sept. 9 through 26.

Probability, logic, sets, functions and number systems are among the topics to be discussed in the course, for which the prerequisite is two years of high school math -- no matter how long ago they may have been taken.

Registration for both courses is now open through the Department of Continuing Education for Women, 310 Nolte Center, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 55455; telephone 373-9743.

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