

## **Alfred University astronomy professor DeGraff to present Bergren Forum**

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ALFRED, NY – David DeGraff, professor of astronomy at Alfred University, will give a presentation titled “The Interstellar Scout” at the Oct. 4 Bergren Forum.

The Bergren Forum, sponsored by the Division of Human Studies, is held at 12:10 p.m. each Thursday the University is in session in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center. It is open to the public, free of charge. Attendees may bring their lunches; coffee and tea are provided.

In October 2017, asteroid hunters in Hawaii found an object with a very unusual property. When they calculated its orbit, they found that it was not in a closed orbit bound to the sun, but in an open orbit making a single pass through our neighborhood. DeGraff will discuss what we learned about this interstellar interloper.