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Program of the course:

The Sun: a general overview – Solar interior – Solar atmosphere - Solar magnetism and the 11-year cycle - Dynamo mechanism – Activity phenomena – Flares: observations and models - Coronal Mass Ejections: observations and models – Solar Wind.

The Interplanetary Magnetic Field – The Earth's Magnetosphere – Impact of solar phenomena on the magnetosphere of the Earth – Space Weather effects: magnetic storms, aurorae, ionospheric perturbations – Impact of Space Weather on technological systems.

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