Appendix F. Departmental Chairs and Endowed Chairs

Chairmen

Western Reserve College / Western Reserve University

Charles A. Young 1856-1866
Spencer H. Freeman 1866-1871
Charles J. Smith 1871-1881
Spencer H. Freeman 1882-1886
Frank Perkins Whitman 1886-1918
Harry William Springsteen Mountcastle 1918-1945
Richard Beth 1946-1955
John K. Major 1955-1964
Gerald E. Tauber 1964-1965
Bellur S. Chandrasekhar 1965-1967

Case School of Applied Science / Case Institute of Technology

Albert A. Michelson 1882-1889
Harry F. Reid 1889-1893
Dayton C. Miller 1895-1941
Frank Hovorka, acting chair during the war
Robert S. Shankland 1944-1958
Frederick Reines 1959-1966
Martin Klein interim chair 1966-1967

Case Western Reserve University

Harvey Willard 1967-1971
Kenneth L. Kowalski 1971-1976
Donald E. Schuele 1976-1981
Lawrence M. Krauss 1993-2005
Cyrus C. Taylor 2005-

Endowed Chairs

The Simon Perkins Professorship in Physics

This endowed chair was established at Western Reserve University in 1865 with a gift from Joseph Perkins, honoring his father, Simon. The elder Perkins, originally from Connecticut, arrived in the Western Reserve in 1798. He served in the War of 1812, rising to the rank of general. He was president of the Western Reserve Bank from 1813 until 1836. The professorship was originally called the Perkins Professorship in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy. In 1882 it was renamed the Perkins Professorship of Physics and Astronomy.

Charles A. Young 1865
Allen C. Barrows 1866
Charles J. Smith 1870
Spencer H. Freeman 1882
Frank Perkins Whitman 1886
The Ambrose Swasey Chair of Physics

This chair was established in 1926 by the Board of Trustees of the Case School of Applied Science with a gift from Ambrose Swasey. Originally from New Hampshire, Swasey and his partner, Worcester R. Warner, opened a machine tool shop in Cleveland in 1881. Swasey was a member of the Corporation of the CSAS from 1922 until 1937 and a generous supporter of the school. His intention in establishing this chair was to allow Miller (see Chapter 4) to continue his search for ether drift.

Dayton Clarence Miller 1926
Robert Sherwood Shankland 1944
Richard W. Hoffman 1981
Lawrence Maxwell Krauss 1993

The Institute Professorship

This professorship was established in 1966 by the Board of Trustees of the Case Institute of Technology.

Leslie L. Foldy 1966
Robert W. Brown 1991
Arnold Dahm 2000

The Albert A. Michelson Professorship

This chair was funded in 1987 by a gift from Roger and Anne Clapp in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the 1887 Michelson-Morley ether-drift experiment.

Donald E. Schuele 1987-2005