Boulder School for Condensed Matter and Materials Physics  
Nonequilibrium Statistical Mechanics  
July 6-July 24, 2009

The 2009 school will be devoted to the behavior of nonequilibrium systems and processes. The past decades have led to remarkable progress in the understanding of systems away from thermal equilibrium. A variety of novel phenomena emerges, and generally, stochastic fluctuations and intrinsic correlations tend to play a very significant role. Researchers in nonequilibrium statistical physics are poised to significantly contribute to the characterization and modeling of physical, chemical, and biological processes from macroscopic down to nanometer scales.

The goals of this school are twofold: first, to provide a pedagogical introduction and overview of the fundamentals and recent progress in nonequilibrium statistical physics for young researchers working on both theory and experiment, and second: to point out opportunities for fruitful future developments. (T: Theory, E: Experiment)

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The school will pay for most local expenses, and there are travel grants available for participants from U.S. universities. Students and postdocs interested in participating should submit an electronic application by the February 27 deadline. The application form, and detailed information regarding housing, travel and financial support are available at

http://research.yale.edu/boulder

The Boulder School in Condensed Matter and Materials Physics provides expert training, not usually available within the traditional system of graduate and postgraduate education, for advanced graduate students and postdoctoral researchers working in condensed matter physics, materials science and related fields. The School is supported by the National Science Foundation, with additional funding provided by the University of Colorado, and meets annually during July in Boulder, Colorado.