Description of Courses

CPE 503 Computational Methods. (3 Hours) Computational methods for solving problems in engineering analysis; variational methods; finite-difference analysis; optimization methods; finite-difference analysis; matrix methods; focus is on real-world engineering problems; techniques and algorithms for simulating large-scale digital and analog circuits.

CPE 515 Advanced Logic Design. (3 Hours) Advanced concepts in Boolean algebra; use of hardware description languages as a practical means to implement hybrid sequential and combinational designs; digital logic simulation; rapid prototyping techniques; design for stability concepts; focuses upon the actual design and implementation of sizeable digital design problems using a representative set of Computer Aided Design (CAD) tools.

CPE 520 Advanced Engineering Analysis I. (3 Hours) A comprehensive course to familiarize engineering professionals with advanced applied mathematics as it relates to solving practical engineering problems. The course of intensive study blends the theoretical underpinnings of advanced applied mathematics with an understanding of how these powerful tools can be used to solve practical engineering problems. The material covered includes Ordinary Differential Equations; Linear Algebra, Vector Calculus; Fourier Analysis and Partial Differential Equations.

CPE 521 Advanced Engineering Analysis II. (3 Hours) A comprehensive course to familiarize engineering professions with advanced applied mathematics as it relates to solving practical engineering problems. The course of intensive study blends the theoretical un of advanced applied mathematics with an understanding of how these powerful tools can be used to solve practical engineering problems. The material covered includes Complex Analysis; Numerical Methods; Optimization; Graphs; and Probability and Statistics.

CPE 530 VLSI Design. (3 Hours) Theory of MOS transistors: fabrication, layout, characterization; CMOS circuit and logic design; circuit and logic simulation, fully complementary CMOS logic, pseudo-NMOS logic, dynamic CMOS logic, pass-transistor logic, clocking strategies; sub system design; ALUs, multipliers, memories, PLAs; architecture design: data path, floor planning, iterative cellular arrays, systolic arrays; VLSI algorithms; chip design and test; full custom design of chips, possible chip fabrication by MOSIS and subsequent chip testing.

CPE 531 VLSI Testing and Design for Testability.

(3 Hours) Introduction to testing of digital electronic circuits and systems; faults and fault modeling, test equipment, test generation for combinational and sequential circuits, fault simulation, memory and microprocessor testing, design for testability, built-in self-test techniques, and fault location.

CPE 532 Digital Integrated Circuit Design. (3 Hours) Design methodologies for digital systems using a modern hardware description language; algorithmic, architectural and implementation aspects of arithmetic processing elements; design of Complex Instruction Set (CISC), Reduced Instruction Set (RISC), and floating point processors; synthesis, simulation and testing of processors with computer-aided design tools.

CPE 536 Solid State Electronics. (3 Hours) This course explores the electronic properties of semiconductor and related materials used in modern day devices. For common semiconductor devices, operation, electrical characteristic, manufacturing and applications are covered.

CPE 539 Lasers. (3 Hours) Review of electromagnetic theory; ray tracing in an optical system; Gaussian beam propagation; resonant optical cavities; study of excitation and laser mechanisms in gas and semiconductor lasers.

CPE 544 Electromagnetic Field Analysis. (3 Hours) Maxwell's equations; solutions of Laplace's equation; Green's Function; scalar and vector potentials; energy and momentum in electromagnetic fields; interaction of fields and material media.

CPE 551 Digital Signal Processing. (3 Hours) Signals and systems; sampling continuous-time signals and reconstructions of continuous-time signals from samples; spectral analysis of signal using the discrete Fourier transform; the fast Fourier transform and fast convolution methods; z-transforms; finite and infinite impulse response filter design techniques; signal flow graphs and introduction to filter implementation.

CPE 555 Control Systems. (3 Hours) This course is an introduction to the analysis, design and applications of continuous time linear control systems. Topics include: transfer function representation of open and closed loop systems, time domain specifications and steady-state error, sensitivity analysis, time and frequency response and stability criteria. It includes a treatment of methods for the analysis of control systems based on the root locus, Bode Plots and the Nyquist criterion, and their use in the design of PID and lead-lag compensation.

CPE 556 Systems Theory. (3 Hours) Linear operators; impulse response including convolution; transition matrices; fundamental matrix; linear dynamical system; definition; representation; diagramming principles; signal flow diagramming; analog and digital modeling; controllability and observability; eigenstructure; similarity transformations.

CPE 557 Robotics. (3 Hours) Fundamentals of robotics; rigid motions; homogenous transformations; forward and inverse kinematics; velocity kinematics; motion planning; trajectory generation; sensing; vision; and control.

CPE 560 Embedded Design with Microprocessors.

(3 Hours) Microcomputer system design and use of microprocessors and single chip microcomputers as basic system components; basic microcomputer design and the interface between microprocessor and external devices; course examines the software aspects of microcomputers using assembly language and C programming; single chip microcomputers for embedded and power efficient applications; direct memory access, memory design and management, cache memory, fault tolerance issues, parallel processing with emphasis on hardware issues.

CPE 571 Engineering Foundations of Biomedical Engineering. (3 Hours) This course is designed for engineering graduate students who come from traditional engineering disciplines and provides a comprehensive survey of the multidisciplinary field of biomedical engineering. This course is intended to provide a broad perspective of the role that biomedical engineers play and to serve as an engineering foundation for subsequent, more advanced courses in biomedical engineering. Prerequisite: permission of Department

CPE 573 Biomedical Instrumentation. (3 Hours) Origins and characteristics of bioelectric signals, recording electrodes, amplifiers, chemical, pressure and flow transducers, noninvasive monitoring techniques, and electrical safety. Prerequisite: CPE 571

CPE 575 Biomaterials. (3 Hours) Introductory course in biomaterials. Topics include structure property relationships for synthetic and natural biomaterials, biocompatibility, and uses of materials to replace body parts. Perquisite: CPE 571

CPE 635 Advanced Circuit Theory. (3 Hours) CMOS technology; structured digital circuits; VSLI systems; computer-aided design automation tools and theory for design automation; chip design and integration; microelectronic systems architecture; VLSI circuit testing methods; advanced high-speed circuit design and integration.

CPE 655 Advanced Control Systems. (3 Hours) Linearization of nonlinear systems; phase-plane analysis; Lyapunov stability analysis; adaptive estimation; stability of adaptive control systems.

CPE 693 Advanced Topics in Engineering. (Variable 1 to 4 Hours) Pre-requisites: Graduate standing in engineering. Lectures on advanced topics of special interest to students in various areas of computer engineering are introduced. This course number is used to offer and test new courses.

CPE 695 Scientific Writing Seminar. (1 Hour) Exercises in scientific writing format and style, with particular emphasis on writing abstracts and manuscripts for publication in referred archival journals.

CPE 696 Seminar. (1 Hour) Presentation of papers, projects and reports by visiting lecturers, graduate students, engineers, and community leaders.

CPE 697 Internship. (Variable 1-3 Hours) Supervised graduate internship or externship in selected areas. Prerequisite: permission of Department.

CPE 698 Independent Study. (Variable 1-4 Hours) Intensive study of a special engineering project including research and literature review selected in accordance with the student's interests and arranged in consultations with the advisor. Topics will vary. Student will make periodic reports as well as a paper at the end of the semester. Prerequisite: permission of Department.

CPE 699 Thesis Research. (Variable 1-6 hrs) Master's thesis representing independent and original research. Prerequisite: permission of advisor.