

1. *Course number and name*

ENGR 449: Communication Systems

2. *Credits and contact hours*

3 credit hours; three 50-minute lecture sessions/week, or two 1-hr-15-minute lecture sessions/week, depending on semester

3. *Instructor's or course coordinator's name*

Instructor: Prof. Murthy

Course coordinator: Tom Holton, Ph.D.

4. *Text book, title, author, and year*

Lathi, B. P. *Modern Digital and Analog Communication Systems*. 3rd ed. Oxford University Press, 1998.

a. *Other supplemental materials*

1. Carlson, A. B. *Communication Systems*, 3rd ed. McGraw Hill, 1986.
2. Couch, L. W. *Digital and Analog Communication Systems*. Macmillan, 1987.
3. Sklar, B. *Digital Communications: Fundamentals and Applications*. Prentice Hall, 1988.

5. *Specific course information*

a. *Brief description of the content of the course (catalog description)*

Review of analog signal and system analysis in the time and frequency domains. AM, FM, and PM modulation and demodulation techniques. Pulse modulation techniques. Digital modulation systems. Error-correcting coding: Block and convolutional codes. Advanced communications technologies.

b. *Prerequisites or co-requisites*

A grade of C- or better in ENGR 305

c. *Indicate whether a required, elective, or selected elective course in the program*

Required for Electrical Engineering

Elective for Computer Engineering

6. *Specific goals for the course*

- a. *specific outcomes of instruction, ex. The student will be able to explain the significance of current research about a particular topic.*

- The student can sketch signal waveforms before and after amplitude modulation both in the time and frequency domains.
- The student can design a demodulator given a modulator.
- The student understands SSB, VSB, and QAM.
- The student is able to compare modulation schemes regarding their power and bandwidth efficiencies.
- The student demonstrates an understanding of mathematics associated with frequency and phase modulation and demodulation.
- The student can sketch signal waveforms before and after frequency modulation both in the time and frequency domains.
- The student can design an FM demodulator.
- The student demonstrates an understanding of how sampling rate is related to aliasing in converting analog signals to discrete samples.
- The student understands the advantages of digital communications over analog communications.
- The student understands how PCM is encoded and the reasons behind the resulting bit rate.
- The student understands why digital data are line coded and pulse shaped before transmission.
- The student understands why ISI is caused by pulse shaping and what the Nyquist filter is. The student can perform scrambling and is able to design a descrambler given the scrambler.
- The student understands equalization and is able to design a linear equalizer. The student understands digital modulation.
- The student can sketch the waveforms of digitally modulated signals for ASK, PSK, FSK, and digital QAM.
- The student is able to draw the constellation diagrams for BPSK, 8PSK, 16 PSK, 4QAM, 16 QAM.
- The student knows cumulative distribution function and probability density function and their properties.
- The student can analyze the performance of the binary symmetric channel.
- The student can analyze the performance of digital modulation (e.g. BPSK) in an AWGN channel.
- The student can perform block coding and decoding.
- The student can obtain the parity-check matrix given the generator matrix and vice-versa. The student can construct the trellis diagram of a convolutional code
- The student can perform decoding of convolutional codes using the Viterbi algorithm.
- The student demonstrates an understanding of mathematics associated with amplitudemodulation and demodulation.

b. Explicitly indicate which of the student outcomes listed in Criterion 3 or any other outcomes are addressed by the course.

Course addresses ABET Student Outcome(s): a, b, c, e

7. *Brief list of topics to be covered*

- Amplitude modulation and demodulation
- Frequency modulation and demodulation
- Sampling theorem, PAM and PCM
- Line coding and pulse shaping
- Digital modulation techniques: BPSK, QPSK and FSK
- Probability and random processes. Gaussian and uniform distributions.
- Error-correcting coding. Linear and convolutional codes
- Advanced communications technologies