

Course guide

230672 - EIS - Electronics Instrumentation Systems for Marine Applications

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Unit in charge: Barcelona School of Telecommunications Engineering
Teaching unit: 710 - EEL - Department of Electronic Engineering.

Degree: Academic year: 2015 **ECTS Credits:** 5.0
Languages: English

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DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

Transversal:

1. TEAMWORK: Being able to work in an interdisciplinary team, whether as a member or as a leader, with the aim of contributing to projects pragmatically and responsibly and making commitments in view of the resources that are available.
2. EFFECTIVE USE OF INFORMATION RESOURCES: Managing the acquisition, structuring, analysis and display of data and information in the chosen area of specialisation and critically assessing the results obtained.
3. FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Achieving a level of spoken and written proficiency in a foreign language, preferably English, that meets the needs of the profession and the labour market.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

- Lectures
- Collaborative lecture
- Laboratory practical work
- Project based learning
- Autonomous work
- Tutoring
- Extended answer test (Final Exam)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

Learning objectives of the subject:

At the end of this matter is expected that the student be able to practically apply the knowledge and skills of the degree to electronic systems used in the marine environment. It is expected that the student is able to demonstrate knowledge of special methods of acquisition and transmission of information, and the design of the measuring instruments involved in the fields of research and technological development and fisheries oceanography. It will also be able to distinguish and differentiate the different types of underwater observation infrastructures as networks of sensors and undersea vehicles. In addition the student will demonstrate an understanding of the general concepts of the marine environment that affect climate change, sustainability of biological systems and the monitoring of natural hazards.

The aim of this course is to train students in methods of design, dimensioning and evaluation of data communications networks. First, we consider the parameters of interest for telematics network planning and mathematical tools we have. Then, using this knowledge, will study data routing mechanisms, network allocation capacity, congestion control and multiple access techniques.

- Ability to understand and interpret the functioning technical characteristics of the measuring equipment most commonly used in the marine environment (CTDs, hydrophones, etc..).
- Ability to understand the need of underwater robotics and interpret technical and operational characteristics of the different vehicles. ROV, AUV and Gliders.
- Ability to perform the specification, implementation, documentation and commissioning of equipment and systems, considering both the technical and corresponding regulatory standards.
- Ability to specify, design and use, electronic instrumentation and measurement systems applied to the marine environment, both in research and application through to the fishing fleet.
- Ability to perform the specification, implementation and commissioning of equipment and systems for autonomous underwater vehicle.
- Capacity to analyzes the needs of power consumption and power measuring equipment, for optimization and increase autonomy.
- Ability to understand the different environmental parameters involved in climate change.

STUDY LOAD

Type	Hours	Percentage
Hours small group	26,0	20.80
Hours large group	13,0	10.40
Self study	86,0	68.80

Total learning time: 125 h

CONTENTS

1. Introduction to oceanographic measurement systems

Description:

Characteristics, applications and technology challenges

Full-or-part-time: 10h

Theory classes: 3h

Self study : 7h

2. The marine environment

Description:

Specificity and protections. Basic standards in oceanographic and marine environment. Management and data acquisition. Infrastructure for observation. Buoys, boats, underwater observatories and autonomous vehicles. ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle), AUV (Autonomous Underwater Vehicle), Underwater Gliders. Types of activities. Exploration, intervention, operating conditions. Depth Range, tools and sensors. Equipment and systems for environmental monitoring. Acidification of the sea. Terrestrial communication systems: Iridium, Wimax, 3G, etc.. Technological innovations in the development of new sensors and networked systems.

Full-or-part-time: 16h

Theory classes: 2h

Laboratory classes: 2h

Self study : 12h

3. Underwater acoustic Communications

Description:

Underwater transmission information. Principles of underwater acoustic communication. Sound propagation underwater. Transmission losses. Reverb. Properties of the probes and acoustic transducers. Directivity, Reciprocity. Calibration methods (ISO 17025).

Full-or-part-time: 19h

Theory classes: 5h

Laboratory classes: 2h

Self study : 12h

4. Marine technology for scientific studies and environmental management

Full-or-part-time: 18h

Theory classes: 3h

Laboratory classes: 2h

Self study : 13h

5. Infrastructure for observation

Description:

Marine sensor networks. Smart sensors (IEEE 1451) for the measurement of physical and / or chemical compatible with cabled observatories connection (OBSEA). Presentation of current standards promoted by OGC (Open Geospatial Consortium) or GEOSS as SensorML. Synchronization in sensor network. NTP (Network Time Protocol). Or IEEE 1588 PTP (Precision Time Protocol).

Full-or-part-time: 20h

Theory classes: 5h

Laboratory classes: 2h

Self study : 13h

6. Underwater vehicles

Description:

Underwater vehicle subsystems. Platform and materials. Propulsion systems and immersion. Rudders. Energy Management. Communications systems. Security systems .. Location underwater. Control Unit.

Full-or-part-time: 20h

Laboratory classes: 2h

Self study : 13h

Self study : 5h

7. Navigation sensors and payload

Description:

Inertial Navigation System (INS). Accelerometers. Gyroscopes. Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS). GPS. DGPS. Augmentation systems. (SBAS), GNSS and INS Integration. Acoustic navigation system. Doppler Velocity Log (DVL). Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP). Submarine acoustic positioning. USBL (Ultra Short Base Line). Gentlemen CTD (conductivity, temperature, depth). Sonar. Side Scan. Multibeam. Optical imaging. Video and ESC (Electronic Still Camera)

Full-or-part-time: 22h

Theory classes: 6h

Laboratory classes: 3h

Self study : 13h

ACTIVITIES

LABORATORY 1

Description:

Equipment for measuring the water column. Measurement of conductivity and depth. Calibration of the CTD (conductivity, temperature, depth). Use and handling. Oceanographic Instrumentation in Biology.

LABORATORY 2

Description:

Seabed equipment. Vibration measurements. Commissioning and calibration of a marine seismometer. Identification of different sensors (hydrophone, geophone, etc.), correct wiring and adjustment. Assembly and handling. Oceanographic Instrumentation Geology.

LABORATORY 3

Description:

Introduction to communication systems. Transducers and acoustic modems. Release systems. Acoustic systems employed in the fisheries sector. Sounders.

LABORATORY 4

Description:

Surface observing systems. Moored and drifting buoys. Basic equipment. Feeding systems. Measurement of wave and current velocity. Using satellite communications for data transmission. Remote Sensing. Physical Oceanographic Instrumentation.



LABORATORY 5

Description:

Presentation Guanay II AUV. Identification of different subsystems. Commissioning and connection of control systems, propulsion and investment, communication, security, use of the graphical interface to mission control.

LABORATORY 6

Description:

Introduction to navigation systems. Calibration and communication of the various navigation sensors. INS, compass and inclinometer. Assembly and handling from the control unit.

GRADING SYSTEM

Final examination: 20%

Exercises: 10%

Individual assessments: 15%

Group assessments: 15%

Laboratory assessments: 40%

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Basic:

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RESOURCES

Other resources:

Scientific papers from Journal of Oceanic Engineering Society <http://www.oceanicengineering.org>