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Selected Topics in Communications Engineering

College:	Engineering
Department:	Electrical Engineering Department
First: Course Defi	nition
1- Course Code:	EE629
2- Units	3
3 – Semester	
4 -Prerequisite	
5- Co-requisite	
6- Location (if not on	main Campus):
Second: Course C	Dbjectives
To give students an app	preciation of advanced topics in telecommunications Engineering.

Third: Course Specifications

1- Topics to be covered			
Subject	No of Weeks	Units	
To be specified by the instructor from advanced topics of current interest in telecommunications engineering which are chosen where they do not duplicate any of the other courses in the department. Active participation of students is encouraged in the form of writing and presenting papers in the research areas.	15	45	

2- Course components (Total hrs in the Semester: 45

Lecture	Exercise or lab	Other
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45	Exercise	1 X 15 =15	

3- Intended Learning Outcomes of the Course (ILO's)

a. Knowledge

i) Description of the knowledge to be acquired:

• To be specified by the instructor.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop that knowledge

- Lectures
- Assignments, at home
- Discussions in the Class
- Case study Report (data collection, internet search, presentation and reporting)

iii) Methods of assessment of knowledge acquired

- Quizzes: to assess understanding of the course knowledge.
- Assignment reports: to assess ability to answer some comprehensive questions.
- Midterm Exams: to assess understanding of the course knowledge.
- Final Exam: to assess understanding of the course knowledge.

b- Cognitive (Intellectual) Skills

i) Cognitive skills to be developed

- The ability to analyze different topics covered by the course.
- The ability to select the suitable technique for a communications system.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these cognitive skills

- Lectures
- Assignments, at home
- Discussions in the Class
- Case study Report (data collection, Internet search, presentation and reporting)

iii) Methods of assessment of students' cognitive skills

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- Quizzes: to asses the ability to solve quickly some problems.
- **Assignment reports:** to asses the ability to solve and analyze some comprehensive problems.
- **Midterm Exams:** to assess the ability to discuss, analyze, and solve the associated problems.
- **Final Exam:** to assess the intellectual skills such as analytical skills and ability to solve communication system problems.

c. Interpersonal Skills and Responsibility

i) Description of the interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility to be developed

- Team work in mini projects.
- Ideas development and sharing with others

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Assignments, at home
- Discussions in the Class
- Case study Report (data collection, Internet search, presentation and reporting)

iii) Methods of assessment of students' interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility

- Unified reports and Seminars: to assess the integration done by the student in a unified report and presentations.
- Oral Group Exams: to assess interactive and communication abilities.

d. Communication, Information Technology and Numerical Skills

i) Description of the skills to be developed in this domain

- Use of the internet search
- Technical report writing

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Assignments, at home
- Case study Report (data collection, Internet search, presentation and reporting)

iii) Methods of assessment of students numerical and communication skills

- Assignment Reports: to assess technical report writing abilities.
- **Discussion Groups:** to assess interactive and communication abilities.

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e. Psychomotor (if applicable) & Other Non-cognitive Skills

i) Description of the psychomotor or other skills to be developed and the level of performance required

NOT Applicable

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills-

iii) Methods of assessment of student's psychomotor skills

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4- Student Assessment Schedule

Assessment	Assessment task (test, group project, examination etc.)	Week due	Weight of
1	Quiz 1	Week 2	2%
2	Assignment 1	Week 4	2%
3	Quiz 2	Week 4	2%
4	Quiz 3	Week 5	2%
5	Mid Term Exam1	Week 6	15%
6	Quiz 4	Week 8	2%
7	Quiz 5	Week 9	2%
8	Mid Term Exam2	Week 12	15%
9	Assignment 2	Week 13	2%
10	Continuous class evaluation	1 st -15 th	2%
11	Group reports and seminars	Week 13	2%
12	Attendance	1 st -15 th	2%
13	Final Exam	Week 16	50%

5- Student Support

Six Office hours per week are offered by the instructor to aid the students and support them.

6- Learning Resources

i) Essential Books (References)

• To be specified by the instructor.

ii) Course Notes

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- PP Slides are edited by the instructor as teaching aided tool to be used on the smart board available in each classroom.

iii) Recommended Books

• To be specified by the instructor.

iv) Electronic Materials & Web Sites:

- Course materials are uploaded on the College Web-Site (www.qec.edu.sa) to be available for the students.-

v) Periodicals

- IEEE transactions on

7- Course Evaluation and Improvement Processes

i) Strategies for Obtaining Student Feedback on Effectiveness of Teaching

- Questionnaire •
- Observing the students opinions recorded in the college student site
- Appeal box
- Carrying out extensive questioners by a sample of the distinguished students just after the graduation from the college.

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ii) Other Strategies for Evaluation of Teaching by the Instructor or by the Department

- •- Periodical review of the teaching methods by both the department council and the education affairs vice dean-.
- Questionnaire •
- Observing the students opinions recorded in the college student site
- Appeal box

iii) Processes for Improvement of Teaching-

- Evaluation of the course outlines by external staff member from outside the university
- Periodical contact with the different engineering authorities and industries for evaluating and getting their feedback and suggestions concerning the course outlines.

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iv) Processes for verifying standards of student achievement (e.g. check marking by an independent faculty member of a sample of student work, periodic exchange and remarking of a sample of assignments with a faculty member in another institution)

- • Check marking of a sample of student work by an independent faculty member .
- Exchange periodically, and remark a sample of assignments with a faculty member in King Saud University (KSU)

v) Describe the planning arrangements for periodically reviewing course effectiveness and planning for improvement.

- Assessment and evaluation of the level of achieving the course outcomes through a continuous improvement process (part of a quality assurance system established by the university)
- Consequently, actions are to be taken to improve the course delivery when necessary.
- Review of the course objectives, outcomes and curriculum each 2 years.