**ECE482: Smart Grid Systems Design** 

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# **Course Description**

**ECE482:** Smart Grid Systems Design is a senior-level, project-based course that focuses on the design and implementation of smart grid technologies. The course covers the integration of renewable energy sources, smart metering, demand response, and grid stability. Students will work in teams to develop a prototype of a smart grid system component, culminating in a final project presentation and demonstration.

# **Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this course, students will:

- 1. Understand the principles and components of smart grid systems, including renewable energy integration and smart metering.
- 2. Design and implement a component of a smart grid system, considering technical, economic, and regulatory factors.
- 3. Analyze the performance and stability of the smart grid under various operating conditions.
- 4. Collaborate effectively in teams to develop and prototype a smart grid solution.
- 5. Present technical designs and solutions clearly and effectively to both technical and non-technical audiences.

Course Ti	meline and Deliverables		
Date	Topic	Deliverable	Weight
Sept 7, 2021	Course Introduction & Overview	-	-
Sept 14, 2021	Introduction to Smart Grids & Key Components	-	-
Sept 21, 2021	Renewable Energy Integration	-	-
Oct 5, 2021	Smart Metering and Data Analytics	Proposal for Smart Grid Component	10%
Oct 19, 2021	Demand Response & Grid Management	-	-

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Nov 2, 2021	Power System Stability and Security	Preliminary Design Report	15%
Nov 16, 2021	Communication Networks in Smart Grids	-	-
Nov 30, 2021	Regulatory and Economic Considerations	Regulatory and Economic Impact Report	15%
Dec 7, 2021	Project Development Workshop	-	-
Dec 14, 2021	Final Design Review & Feedback	-	-
Dec 21, 2021	Final Project Presentation & Demonstration	Final Design, Prototype, and Presentation	30%
Dec 21, 2021	Peer Evaluation	Peer Evaluation Report	10%
Dec 23, 2021	Final Project Report Submission	Final Project Report	20%

#### **Detailed Deliverables**

# 1. Proposal for Smart Grid Component (10%)

Due: October 5, 2021

Teams will submit a proposal outlining their chosen smart grid component, including objectives, expected outcomes, and a project plan. The proposal should demonstrate the feasibility and relevance of the project within the context of smart grid systems.

#### 2. Preliminary Design Report (15%)

Due: November 2, 2021

The preliminary design report should include detailed technical specifications, design diagrams, and a plan for prototyping. Teams will also identify potential challenges and propose solutions.

#### 3. Regulatory and Economic Impact Report (15%)

Due: November 30, 2021

This report will assess the regulatory requirements and economic implications of the proposed smart grid component. Teams should consider compliance with standards, cost-benefit analysis, and potential market barriers.

# 4. Final Design, Prototype, and Presentation (30%)

Due: December 21, 2021

The final deliverable includes a fully developed design, a working prototype, and a formal presentation. The presentation will be delivered to a panel of industry professionals, faculty, and peers, focusing on the technical and practical aspects of the project.

### 5. Peer Evaluation Report (10%)

Due: December 21, 2021

Students will submit a peer evaluation report assessing the contributions of each team member. This report will help ensure that all team members are contributing equally and fairly to the project.

# 6. Final Project Report (20%)

Due: December 23, 2021

The final project report should document the entire design and development process, including the problem statement, design methodology, testing results, and conclusions. The report should also discuss future work and potential improvements.

# ComponentWeightProposal for Smart Grid Component10%Preliminary Design Report15%

Regulatory and Economic Impact Report 15%
Final Design, Prototype, and Presentation 30%
Peer Evaluation Report 10%

Final Project Report 20%

#### **Course Policies**

**Grading Breakdown** 

- Attendance: Attendance is mandatory for all lectures and team meetings. Active participation is critical to the success of your project.
- Late Submissions: Late submissions will incur a 5% penalty per day, up to a maximum of 3 days. Submissions more than 3 days late will not be accepted unless prior arrangements have been made.
- **Teamwork:** Effective teamwork is essential in this course. Team members should communicate regularly and work collaboratively. Any issues with teamwork should be addressed early, and if necessary, brought to the instructor's attention.
- **Academic Integrity:** Academic integrity is paramount. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will be dealt with according to university policies, and may result in a failing grade for the course.

#### **Key Resources**

- Textbook: "Smart Grids: Fundamentals of Design and Analysis" by James Momoh.
- **Software:** MATLAB/Simulink for simulation, PSCAD for power system analysis, and AutoCAD for design schematics.
- Additional Resources: Access to the university's Power Systems Lab, which includes tools for hardware testing and grid simulation.

This syllabus provides a comprehensive guide to **ECE482: Smart Grid Systems Design**, outlining the expectations, milestones, and resources necessary for students to successfully complete their projects and gain hands-on experience in smart grid technology design and implementation.