Course Content

This course introduces students to the fundamental principles and applications of computer-assisted education (CAE). It covers the historical development, types of CAE, and key technologies, including Computer-Assisted Instruction (CAI), Computer-Managed Instruction (CMI), online learning platforms, and intelligent computer-assisted instruction (ICAI). The course emphasizes the integration of computer-based education (CBE) principles with educational applications and the development process of CAE systems. Students will gain hands-on experience in designing and developing CAI courseware, online courses, and educational management systems, as well as understanding the evaluation methods used in CBE.

Key topics include:

- 1. **Overview of Computer-Assisted Education (CBE)**: Development of CAE, its role in educational transformation, and future trends.
- 2. **CBE Theoretical Foundations**: Basic principles, models, and foundational theories of CBE.
- 3. **CAI Courseware Development**: Design and development principles of CAI, including courseware design, types, and development processes.
- 4. **Online Course Development**: Creation of online courses, teaching strategies, and the integration of network-based learning.
- 5. **CBE Evaluation**: Evaluation concepts, methods, and standards for assessing the effectiveness of CAE systems.
- 6. **Computer-Assisted Instruction Management (CMI)**: Overview of CMI systems, their structure, applications, and role in managing educational content and assessments.
- 7. **Online Learning Platforms**: Introduction to platforms such as MOOCs and SPOCs, and their role in online education.
- 8. **Intelligent Computer-Assisted Instruction (ICAI)**: Development and research trends of ICAI, and comparison with traditional CAI.
- 9. **Future of Computer-Assisted Education**: Latest computer technologies, their potential for enhancing education, and emerging trends in CAE.

Course Objectives

Knowledge

- 1. Master the foundational knowledge and principles of computer-assisted education, including its development history, types, and technologies such as CAI, CMI, and online learning platforms.
- 2. Understand the development process of CAE systems, and the basic methods of CBE evaluation.

Skills

- 1. Design and develop CAI courseware, online courses, and educational management systems using appropriate tools and technologies.
- 2. Analyze and solve problems related to CAE by applying principles from educational theory, computer technology, and system design.
- 3. Develop effective evaluation systems to assess the quality and impact of CAE systems.

Competencies

- 1. Select appropriate methods and tools to design and implement educational technologies that meet user needs.
- 2. Build and manage educational systems that integrate multiple components such as content, assessment, and feedback.
- 3. Apply CBE evaluation methods to assess the effectiveness of educational systems and optimize their design.