

**Rutgers University, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**  
**ABET COURSE SYLLABUS**  
**COURSE: 14:332:322**

**Course Catalog Description:** 14:332:322 Principles of Communication Systems  
Analog Communication, Random processes and Noise,  
Quantization, Digital Communication

**Pre-Requisite Courses:** 14:332:226, 345

**Co-Requisite Courses:** None

**Pre-Requisite by Topic:**

1. Signals
2. Fourier Series and Transforms
3. Linear Systems Theory
4. Probability

**Textbook & Materials:** S. Haykin, *Communication Systems*, 4th Ed, John Wiley, 2001.

**References:** None

**Overall Educational Objective:** To understand basic analog and digital communication system theory and design, with an emphasis on wireless communications methods.

**Course Learning Outcomes:** A student who successfully completes Principles of Communication Systems will

1. Understand the basic concept of information
2. Understand how information is put into electronic for storage and delivery.
3. Have detailed understanding of amplitude and frequency modulation and demodulation methods including synchronous demodulation, nonlinear demodulation and phase-locked loops.
4. Have an understanding of design considerations for multiple access/use spectrum and multiplexing
5. Have detailed understanding of digital communication basics including matched filters, signal space methods and optimal receiver design
6. Understand basic principles of Gaussian noise processes and their use/utility in communication system design.

**How Course Outcomes are Assessed:**

Lecture Discussion (5%)

Homework (5%)

Two Mid-Term Exams (60%)

Final Exam (30%)

N = none      S = Supportive      H = highly related

Outcome	Level	Proficiency assessed by
(a) an ability to apply knowledge of Mathematics, science, and engineering	H	HW Problems, Exams, Lecture Discussion
(b) an ability to design and conduct experiments and interpret data	N	
(c) an ability to design a system, component or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability	S	HW Problems, Exams, Lecture Discussion
(d) an ability to function as part of a multi-disciplinary team	N	
(e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve ECE problems	H	HW Problems, Exams, Lecture Discussion
(f) an understanding of professional and ethical responsibility	N	
(g) an ability to communicate in written and oral form	S	HW Problems, Lecture Discussion
(h) the broad education necessary to understand the impact of electrical and computer engineering solutions in a global, economic, environmental, and societal context	S	HW Problems, Exams, Lecture Discussion
(i) a recognition of the need for, and an ability to engage in life-long learning	S	Home-work, discussions during lectures
(j) a knowledge of contemporary issues	N	
(k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for electrical and computer engineering practice	H	HW Problems, Exams
Basic disciplines in Electrical Engineering	H	HW Problems, Exams
Depth in Electrical Engineering	S	HW Problems, Exams
Basic disciplines in Computer Engineering	N	
Depth in Computer Engineering	N	
Laboratory equipment and software tools	N	
Variety of instruction formats	S	Lecture, office hour discussions

**Topics Covered week by week:**

- Week 1:** Introduction and Linear Systems Review
- Week 2:** AM Modulation/Demodulation/Receivers, Multiplexing
- Week 3:** FM Modulation/Demodulation/Receivers, Multiplexing
- Week 4:** Noise Characterization, Noise in AM/FM Systems
- Week 5:** Review, Quiz I
- Week 6:** Sampling and PAM, Probability Review
- Week 7:** Simple Quantization, Convexity, Lloyd-Max Quantization
- Week 8:** Delta Modulation, Adaptive Modulation
- Week 9:** Probability review, Basic Stochastic Processes
- Week 10:** Gaussian Processes and LTI systems, Quiz II
- Week 11:** Matched Filters, Hypothesis tests and BER
- Week 12:** Orthogonality and Signal Space
- Week 13:** Optimum Receivers, Distance-Based Decoding
- Week 14:** Digital Modulation Menagerie
- Week 15/16:** Review and Final Examination

**Computer Usage:** None.

**Laboratory Experiences:** None.

**Design Experiences:** Homework problems have design components for RF systems

**Independent Learning Experiences:**

**Contribution to the Professional Component:**

- (a) College-level mathematics and basic sciences: 0.25 credit hours
- (b) Engineering Topics (Science and/or Design): 2.75 credit hours
- (c) General Education: 0 credit hours

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