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ASTE 520 Spacecraft Systems Design



Required for Astronautical Engineering

Regardless of your engineering or science major (electrical, mechanical, aerospace, systems, computer, etc. or physics, astronomy, chemistry, math, etc.) and regardless of your job function

(research, development, design, test, manufacturing, management, marketing, etc.) — if you work or plan/desire to work in the space/defense industry or in government space R&D centers or in space operations, then ...

This is a course (on space systems) that you must take.

ASTE520 focuses on fundamentals of space systems. It will help you to put into perspective your area of specialization and enable professional communications with other subsystem specialists.

The course is popular at USC. It is among largest graduate space systems and space technology courses in the United States, with more than 1260 students during the last 12 years alone.

Academic year 2016–2017

ASTE520 Spacecraft Systems Design is offered only in the fall (2016) semester.

Fall 2016 Class enrollment is unlimited.

For students enrolled in the class:

Course materials for ASTE-520 Spacecraft Systems Design will be posted on the class web site at DEN around August 14, 2016.

Spring 2017 Course not offered

ASTE-520 public web site (http://astronauticsnow.com/aste520/) provides information on the syllabus, textbooks, and much more.

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For Students with ASTE Bachelor of Science degree from USC

Since you were exposed to some ASTE-520 topics in ASTE-280 and ASTE-330, you can waive the ASTE-520 requirement toward MS ASTE.

Please check first the ASTE-520 course content in Section 00, Part 1 and Part 2 (no password required) of the course notes – you can view them at

http://astronauticsnow.com/aste520/aste520_info_web_recent.pdf Then, decide. The decision is entirely up to you.

If you decide to waive the ASTE-520 requirement, then you must contact ASTE Student Adviser Ms. Norma Perry and inform her – the waiver must be added to your file.

For students with non-USC BS degrees.

If you took a course similar to (or significantly overlapping with) ASTE-520 during your studies, then you can waive this course requirement towards MS ASTE.

Please consult

http://astronauticsnow.com/msaste/faq.html#Waiver_of_the_required_course how to proceed.