EE 105 Introduction to Electrical Engineering

Fall, 2022

Course Syllabus

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EE 105 Course Web Site  https://blackboard.usc.edu/

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OHE 230  
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For Fall, 2022, the schedule will be determined in consultation with the class

Class Location  
OHE 230 (Olin Hall of Engineering)

Class Time  
Tuesday and Thursday, 4:00 to 5:50 p.m.

Discussion Sessions  
Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Tentative)  
Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Tentative)

Grading Policy  
Homework: 25%  
Midterm Examination: 30%  
Final Examination: 45%

Midterm Examination  
Sunday, October 30th (Tentative)  
Exact date, time, location, and format to be arranged

Final Examination  
Thursday, December 8th, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Location and format to be arranged
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Prerequisite or Corequisite

Math 125  Calculus I; can be waived if calculus studied elsewhere
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**Required Textbooks**


**Excellent Recommended Texts**


EE 105 Course Outline (Topics)

1. Overview of Electrical Engineering (EE as a Discipline)
2. Information and Communication
3. Information Representations (Language)
4. Encryption and Decryption
5. Signals in the Time Domain: Analog and Digital
7. Signal Modulation; AM and FM Radio, TV
8. Communications Example: HDTV
9. Introduction to Computation: Computing and Computing Architectures
10. The Computer as a Communications Network
11. Key Computational Parameters: Throughput, Bandwidth, Storage Capacity
12. Main and Peripheral Device Buses; Data Storage; CPUs
13. Digital Logic
14. Digital Imaging
15. Introduction to Direct Current (DC) Linear Circuits
16. Circuit Parameters: Current, Voltage
17. Device Characteristics: Resistance, Capacitance, Inductance
18. Alternating Current (AC) Circuits
19. Semiconductor Devices: Diodes, Transistors
20. Semiconductor (VLSI Circuit) Fabrication; Cleanroom Tour

EE 105 Laboratory Experiments

Probability Simulations
(Simulations of the tossing of one or more dice in sequences)

Pre-Laboratory for Experiment 1: Free Space Optical Communications
(Introduction to laboratory instrumentation, including power supplies, signal generators, and digital storage oscilloscopes)

Experiment 1: Free Space Optical Communications
(Exploration of the design, fabrication, and operation of a free space optical communications system, consisting of a transmitter and receiver, the basis of modern fiber optics and space based communications systems)

Experiment 2: Musical Tone Synthesizer
(Construction, analysis, and operation of a simple circuit that allows for the generation of multiple musical tones, the basis for an electronic synthesizer)
## Course Calendar

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<td>First EE 105 Class</td>
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<td>5 September, 2022 (Monday)</td>
<td>Labor Day (University Holiday)</td>
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<td>Last Day to Register and Add Classes</td>
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