

## EE 210 Syllabus Supplement

**Catalog Description** EE 210 Circuits (3) Integrated lab/lecture covers the fundamentals of electrical circuit analysis. Introduces foundational circuit theorems and analysis methods. These include: Ohm's law, Kirchhoff's laws, circuit reduction, node voltage analysis, mesh current analysis, superposition, and Thevenin and Norton equivalent circuits. The current-voltage characteristics for resistors, capacitors, inductors, diodes, and transistors are discussed. Additional topics include analysis of resistive DC circuits, operational amplifiers, the natural and step responses of first and second-order RLC circuits, the steady-state sinusoidal response of RLC circuits, and common diode and transistor applications. Theoretical principles verified by circuit construction and measurement and through the use of circuit simulation software. Students learn to use a variety of electrical test equipment including voltmeters, ammeters, ohmmeters, and digital and analog oscilloscopes.

**Credit Hour Policy** This course meets the federal requirements of 45-75 total hours of student work (combined classroom plus other academic activities such as laboratory, clinical, or fieldwork) per credit hour. (At least 135 hours total; 9 per week)

**Time & Place** EE 210 meets Tuesday and Thursdays from 8:00 AM to 10:15 AM in Koch Center 137

**Learning Objectives** After completing this course, successful students will be able to:

### Course Objectives Statement

The objectives of this course is to teach students the fundamentals of electric circuit analysis. Students become competent at solving circuit problems that include Ohm's law, Kirchhoff's laws, Thevenin and Norton circuit equivalents, and transient analysis of circuits with resistors, capacitors, and inductors. There is an introduction to AC circuits.

### Course outcomes by program outcome

- 1a. Students will use math and science to solve problems in their major field of study. (ABET a)
    - Students will demonstrate proficiency in solving linear simultaneous equations in homework and on exams.
    - Students will demonstrate proficiency in solving problems using complex numbers in homework and on exams.
    - Students will demonstrate an ability to solve second-order, constant-coefficient linear differential equations in homework and on exams. (1a ABET a)
- Upon completion of this course students will have mastered the following skills:
- Given any two of V, I, R, and P values for a resistor, solve for the remaining two using Ohm's law and the resistive power formulas,
  - Find the equivalent resistance of a source-free series-parallel resistive network,
  - Apply Ohm's law and Kirchhoff's laws to solve DC resistive circuits containing a single independent source using circuit reduction and expansion (the total resistance method),
  - Solve complex resistive DC circuits with independent and dependent sources using both the mesh-current method and the node-voltage method.
- Upon completion of this course students will have become proficient in the following skills:
- Obtain the Thevenin equivalent of a DC resistive circuit containing independent and dependent sources,
  - Use the ideal op-amp model (virtual short) model to solve resistive op amp circuits (inverting, non-inverting amps, voltage follower, summing amplifier),
  - Determining the equivalent inductance of a series-parallel combination of inductors,
  - Determining the equivalent capacitance of a series-parallel combination of capacitors,

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Determine the natural and step responses of first-order RL and RC circuits,  
Determine the natural and step responses of second-order RLC circuits,  
Calculate the impedance of inductors and capacitors at a given frequency,  
Use phasor methods to solve for the steady-state, sinusoidal response of RLC circuits containing independent sources and dependent sources of the same frequency.  
Upon completion of the course students will have become practiced in the following skills:  
Determining the Norton equivalent of a circuit,  
Performing delta to Y and Y to delta conversions,  
Solve for the steady-state response in sinusoidal circuits with transformers (ideal transformer model).

1c. Students will have mastered the skills and tools of their profession. (ABET k)

Upon completion of this course students will have become proficient in the following skills:

Using MATLAB or equivalent numerical analysis software to solve linear systems of equations (real and complex),

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for DC analysis,

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for transient analysis in RL, RC and RLC circuits.

Students are introduced to the following topics but have not become proficient in their application:

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for transient analysis.

Simple diode and transistor models,

Analysis of basic diode and transistor circuits.

Using MATLAB or equivalent numerical analysis software to solve linear systems of equations (real and complex),

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for DC analysis,

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for transient analysis in RL, RC and RLC circuits.

All students will demonstrate a working familiarity with the oscilloscope, multimeter, and function generator.

Students are introduced to the following topics but have not become proficient in their application:

Using LTSpice or equivalent circuit simulation software for transient analysis.

2a. Students will be prepared to be effective team members. (ABET d)

Students will participate in the laboratory experiments as teams (ME, COE, EE, CE). Students will complete one multidisciplinary team project.

2d. Students will have the ability to take measurements and design an experiment. (ABET b)

All students will complete various experiments involving measurements and one team project.

**Homework** Problems will be assigned each class day. Assignments will differ as to what is to be turned in and what is the due date. This information will be placed on the assignment sheet.

**Attendance Policy** You are expected to attend all class sessions. Absences may adversely affect your grade.

**Office Hours** Dr. Blandford's office is Koch Center 266, Campus phone is 2201. He will usually be in his office from 7:00 to 9:00 AM on TTF and 10:00-11:00 AM on MWF

**Disability Policy** It is the policy and practice of the University of Evansville to make reasonable accommodations for students with properly documented disabilities. Students should contact the Office of Counseling and Health Education at 488-2663 to seek services or accommodations for disabilities. Written notification to faculty from the Office of Counseling and Health Education is required for academic accommodations.

**Honor code** This course will be governed by the University of Evansville Honor Code, which is

*I will neither give nor receive unauthorized aid, nor will I tolerate an environment that condones the use of unauthorized aid*

This code has two fundamental expectations:

- Students will submit as their own work only those items that are indeed their own work
- Students will hold each other responsible for adhering to the Code