

SYLLABUS

Electronics in Space 7.5 credits E7003R

Rymdelektronik

Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2023 Sp 1 - Present

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2023-01-17**

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Rymdelektronik

Second cycle, E7003R

Education level
Second cycle

Grade scale
G U 3 4 5

Subject
Rymdteknik

Subject group (SCB)
Space Technology

Main field of study

Space Technology

Entry requirements

A minimum of 22.5 ECTS in mathematics at the university level is required.

Basic knowledge in electronics and circuit theory is of advantage.

Good knowledge in English, equivalent to English 6.

Selection

The selection is based on 30-285 credits

Course Aim

The aim of the course is to develop the student's knowledge of electronic devices and circuits and the effects of space upon them to that required for space applications. On completion of the course the student shall have the skills and knowledge to be able to:

- Describe the requirements of electronic circuits required for a number of space instruments;
- Analyze and measure the characteristics and limitations of circuits used to meet the demands of space instrumentation;
- Describe the construction and operation of semiconductor devices and the effects that space radiation has on their characteristics and to design circuits to protect them.

After the lab activities, the students will be able to:

- Work in a standard electronics lab, cooperate with other students in undertaking practical lab activities,
- demonstrate the skills to write technical reports in English.

Contents

The course will cover:

- The electronic circuit requirements of a number of space instruments;
- Examples of circuits such as differential amplifiers for very high common mode voltages, charge and pulse shaping amplifiers, current to voltage amplifiers, bootstrapping and guards, high voltage and switch mode power supplies;
- The construction, operation and characteristics of semiconductor devices such as bipolar and field effect transistors, CMOS devices, CCD and CMOS arrays and the use of silicon on insulator technology;
- The effect of space radiation on semiconductor materials and devices and the resulting change in characteristics and damage including single event upsets, total dose effects and component failure;
- The necessity for suitable screening, grounding and electromagnetic compatibility in a space system.

Realization

Each course occasion's language and form is stated and appear on the course page on Luleå University of Technology's website.

The course consists of lectures and lab works. There will be assignments which help the students use their learning to solve problems e.g. regarding electronic circuit design for safe operation in space. Before each lab, the students shall have submitted a pre-lab report to show they know what they are supposed to do in the lab and what to expect. After the lab, they shall submit a lab report.

Parts of the lectures may be implemented using hybrid/blended education methods (online). (Please also see Behörigheter.)

Examination

If there is a decision on special educational support, in accordance with the Guideline Student's rights and obligations at Luleå University of Technology, an adapted or alternative form of examination can be provided. To pass the course the student must have their lab reports and assignments approved, and pass the written exam.

Unauthorized aids during exams and assessments

If a student, by using unauthorized aids, tries to mislead during an exam or when a study performance is to be assessed, disciplinary measures may be taken. The term "unauthorized aids" refers to aids that the teacher has not previously specified as permissible aids and that may assist in solving the examination task. This means that all aids not specified as permissible are prohibited. The Swedish version has interpretative precedence in the event of a conflict.

Remarks

It should be noted that this course has been designed for Space Master students and for Spacecraft Design students who do not necessarily have an extensive electronics background. It should also be noted that approximately three quarters of the content of this course is the same as that of course E7001R. Because of this overlap no student may include both this course and course E7001R in their degree.

This course gives the foundation for the demands that must be put on construction of a spacecraft in order for it to work in space. Thus it gives a basis for the course R7029R Space System Engineering.

Course offered by

Department of Computer Science, Electrical and Space Engineering

Modules

Code	Description	Grade scale	Cr	Status	From period	Title
0002	Laboratory work	U G#	3	Mandatory	A07	
0004	Written exam	G U 3 4 5	4.5	Mandatory	S22	

Study guidance

Study guidance for the course is to be found in our learning platform Canvas before the course starts. Students applying for single subject courses get more information in the Welcome letter. You will find the learning platform via My LTU.

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Syllabus established

The course plan was accepted by the Department of Space Science 2007-02-28 and remains valid as from H07.