



Course title and number	ECEN 415: Physical and Economical Operations of Sustainable Energy Systems
Term (e.g., Fall 200X)	Spring 2019
Meeting times and location	TR 2:20 pm -3:35 pm, ETB1037

Course Description and Prerequisites

This course aims to introduce undergraduate students the operational issues for sustainable electric energy systems. The first part of the course will introduce basic engineering, optimization and economic concepts relevant to this course. The second part of the course will discuss the “modular” view of individual electric energy processing components (e.g., variable generation, flexible demands). The third part of this course will physical and market operations in electricity industry in support of sustainable energy integration. Computer simulations and demos will be available for students to create and evaluate examples of power systems.

Prerequisite: ECEN 214, ECEN 420/460, or permission from the instructor

Learning Outcomes or Course Objectives

We will discuss a broad variety of important engineering and economics issues related to integration of sustainable energy resources. We will introduce the key differences in operations and planning at the system level, as well as at the individual power producers’ level. Classroom discussion and computer-based simulation demos will prepare the students to understand better how to plan and operate sustainable electric energy systems with many more renewable energy resources.

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Textbook and/or Resource Material

1. D.S. Kirschen and G. Strbac, Fundamentals of Power System Economics, Wiley
2. Published papers assigned by the instructor

Grading Policies

Homework Assignments (20%) + Mid-term Exam (30%) + Final Exam (35%) + In-class Quiz (15%)
If students choose to complete a term project, their term project score will add up to 10% as bonus points.

Course Topics, Calendar of Activities, Major Assignment Dates (Subject to Change)

Lecture	Date	Topic
#1		Course Motivation and Overview; Syllabus
#2		Basic Concepts from Economics [1] Ch 2
#3		Basic Concepts from Economics [1] Ch 2
#4		Basic Concepts from Optimization
#5		Basic Concepts from Optimization
#6		Conventional Generation Resources
#7		Renewable Variable Energy Resources: Wind
#8		Renewable Variable Energy Resources: Solar, and others
#9		Conventional Electricity Demands
#10		Flexible Electricity Demands in Smart Grids
#11		Electric Power System Fundamentals: Power Flows
#12		Balancing Supply and Demand: ED and Optimal Power Flows
#13		Balancing Supply and Demand with many Variable Generation Resources
#14		Balancing Supply and Demand in the Regulated Industry and Electricity Markets
#15		Material Review; Simulations Demonstrations
#16		Midterm Exam
#17		Balancing Supply and Demand Deviations from Forecast in the Regulated Industry;
#18		Ancillary Service Markets as a Means of Balancing Demand Deviations from Forecast in the Changing Industry
#19		Participating in Markets for Electric Energy [1], Ch 4
#20		Participating in Markets for Ancillary Services
#21		Power Delivery under System Constraints in the Regulated Industry (Optimal Power Flow)
#22		Transmission Networks and Electricity Markets
#23		Nodal Markets: LMP Fundamentals
#24		Nodal Markets: LMP Fundamentals
#25		Financial Transmission Rights
#26		Guest Lecture on ERCOT Market Operations
#27		Coordinating Variable Generation Through Flexible Demands
#28		Course Summary
#29		TBA

Other Pertinent Course Information

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

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