

Course Syllabus

Course Information

Course number - Lecture	EERF 6396-001	M/W	4:00 – 5:15pm	ECSN2.120
- Lab	EERF 6396-101	M	10:00 – 12:45pm	ECSN4.304
- Lab	EERF 6396-102	T	4:00 – 6:45pm	ECSN4.304
- Lab	EERF 6396-103	W	10:00 – 12:45pm	ECSN4.304
- Lab	EERF 6396-104	R	4:00 – 6:45pm	ECSN4.304
Course title	Microwave Design and Measurements			
Term	Fall 2013			

Professor Contact Information

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Other information	Course TA to be announced

Course Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, and/or Other Restrictions

EE4368 or equivalent and permission of instructor

Course Description

This lecture and lab course covers fundamentals of microwave design and measurements. Microwave components will be designed and simulated with various CAD tools and then built and measured to compare performance with theory. The lab will involve learning the basics of accurate microwave measurements, including vector impedance (scattering parameters), scalar measurements and spectrum analysis.

Student Learning Objectives/Outcomes

- Ability to apply fundamental RF principles to design of resonant structures
 - Ability to design, build and test microwave directional couplers and power dividers
 - Ability to design and implement impedance matching networks for a microwave amplifier
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Required Textbooks and Materials

None

Suggested Course Materials

Copies of two-color (Z-Y) Smith Charts, compass, straightedge

Recommended reference books:

- *Microwave Engineering*, 3rd Ed., David M. Pozar, John Wiley & Sons, 2005
- *Microwave Transistor Amplifiers*, 2nd Ed., Guillermo Gonzalez, Prentice Hall, 1996
- *RF and Microwave Circuit and Component Design for Wireless Systems*, by Kai Chang, Inder Bahl and Vijay Nair, Wiley-Interscience, 2001

RF Circuit Design CAD programs to be used in the class (available on UTD ECS computers):

- Agilent EEsof Advanced Design System (ADS)
- Applied Wave Research Microwave Office (MWO) and Axiem Electromagnetic Simulator
- Sonnet High Frequency Electromagnetic Software

Assignments & Academic Calendar

Course Outline:

1. Transmission lines and planar circuits
 - a. Microstrip
 - b. Resonant circuits
 - c. EM simulation
2. Power dividers and couplers
 - a. Wilkinson power divider
 - b. Planar couplers
3. Filters
 - a. Lumped-element design
 - b. Distributed design
4. Transistor characterization and modeling
 - a. Transistor fundamentals
 - b. Device characterization
 - c. Equivalent circuit modeling
5. Microwave switches
 - a. Switch topologies
 - b. Biasing
6. Amplifiers
 - a. Linear design
 - b. Stability analysis
 - c. Amplifier evaluation
7. MMICs
 - a. MMIC overview
 - b. Design considerations
8. Antennas
 - a. Planar antenna design
 - b. Antenna pattern measurements

- Homework problems or projects will be assigned.
- Quiz dates will be announced in class.
- Exams may be given in the form of an in-class or take-home exam, special project and report, paper review and report, or oral in-class presentation.

Grading Policy

Homework	5%	
Lab projects	40%	
Quiz #1	15%	(1 page of notes, front & back, allowed)
Quiz #2	15%	(1 page of notes, front & back, allowed)
Quiz #3	15%	(1 page of notes, front & back, allowed)
Final Project	10%	

General grading standard:

92 – 100	A
90 – 91	A-
88 – 89	B+
81 – 87	B
79 – 80	B-
77 – 78	C+
70 – 76	C
68 – 69	C-
<68	F

Course & Instructor Policies

Homework/Lab Reports/Design Projects are due by the specific time and date assigned. Late submissions will be subject to an additional 10-point deduction per day. Students have one week to review graded homework, lab reports, quizzes, exams or projects with the professor for any possible grading corrections. After one week no changes will be allowed.

Make-up Exams:

Any request for change of quiz or exam schedule due to out-of-town work, religious holiday, etc. must be approved in advance.

Extra Credit:

No extra credit will be given.

Class Citizenship:

Use of mobile/cellular phone, PDA, or other electronic devices or equipment is not allowed during the class or exam sessions. All such systems must be turned off or silenced and not used during classes and exams without prior permission from the instructor.

Student Conduct & Discipline

The University of Texas System and The University of Texas at Dallas have rules and regulations for the orderly and efficient conduct of their business. It is the responsibility of each student and each student organization to be knowledgeable about the rules and regulations which govern student conduct and activities. General information on student conduct and discipline is contained in the UTD printed publication, *A to Z Guide*, which is provided to all registered students each academic year.

The University of Texas at Dallas administers student discipline within the procedures of recognized and established due process. Procedures are defined and described in the *Rules and Regulations, Series 50000, Board of Regents, The University of Texas System*, and in Title V, Rules on Student Services and Activities of the university's *Handbook of Operating Procedures*. Copies of these rules and regulations are available to students in the Office of the Dean of Students, where staff members are available to assist students in interpreting the rules and regulations (SU 1.602, 972/883-6391) and online at <http://www.utdallas.edu/judicialaffairs/UTDJudicialAffairs-HOPV.html>

A student at the university neither loses the rights nor escapes the responsibilities of citizenship. He or she is expected to obey federal, state, and local laws as well as the Regents' Rules, university regulations, and administrative rules. Students are subject to discipline for violating the standards of conduct whether such conduct takes place on or off campus, or whether civil or criminal penalties are also imposed for such conduct.

Academic Integrity

The faculty expects from its students a high level of responsibility and academic honesty. Because the value of an academic degree depends upon the absolute integrity of the work done by the student for that degree, it is imperative that a student demonstrate a high standard of individual honor in his or her scholastic work.

Scholastic Dishonesty, any student who commits an act of scholastic dishonesty is subject to discipline. Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

Plagiarism, especially from the web, from portions of papers for other classes, and from any other source is unacceptable and will be dealt with under the university's policy on plagiarism (see general catalog for details). This course will use the resources of turnitin.com, which searches the web for possible plagiarism and is over 90% effective.

Copyright Notice

The copyright law of the United States (Title 17, United States Code) governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted materials, including music and software. Copying, displaying, reproducing, or distributing copyrighted works may infringe the copyright owner's rights and such infringement is subject to appropriate disciplinary action as well as criminal penalties provided by federal law. Usage of such material is only appropriate when that usage constitutes "fair use" under the Copyright Act. As a UT Dallas student, you are required to follow the institution's copyright policy (Policy Memorandum 84-I.3-46). For more information about the fair use exemption, see <http://www.utsystem.edu/ogc/intellectualproperty/copypol2.htm>

Email Use

The University of Texas at Dallas recognizes the value and efficiency of communication between faculty/staff and students through electronic mail. At the same time, email raises some issues concerning security and the identity of each individual in an email exchange. The university encourages all official student email correspondence be sent only to a student's U.T. Dallas email address and that faculty and staff consider email from students official only if it originates from a UTD student account. This allows the university to maintain a high degree of confidence in the identity of all individual corresponding and the security of the transmitted information. UTD furnishes each student with a free email account that is to be used in all communication with university personnel. The Department of Information Resources at U.T. Dallas provides a method for students to have their U.T. Dallas mail forwarded to other accounts.

Withdrawal from Class

The administration of this institution has set deadlines for withdrawal of any college-level courses. These dates and times are published in that semester's course catalog. Administration procedures must be followed. It is the student's responsibility to handle withdrawal requirements from any class. In other words, I cannot drop or withdraw any student. You must do the proper paperwork to ensure that you will not receive a final grade of "F" in a course if you choose not to attend the class once you are enrolled.

Student Grievance Procedures

Procedures for student grievances are found in Title V, Rules on Student Services and Activities, of the university's *Handbook of Operating Procedures*.

In attempting to resolve any student grievance regarding grades, evaluations, or other fulfillments of academic responsibility, it is the obligation of the student first to make a serious effort to resolve the matter

with the instructor, supervisor, administrator, or committee with whom the grievance originates (hereafter called “the respondent”). Individual faculty members retain primary responsibility for assigning grades and evaluations. If the matter cannot be resolved at that level, the grievance must be submitted in writing to the respondent with a copy of the respondent’s School Dean. If the matter is not resolved by the written response provided by the respondent, the student may submit a written appeal to the School Dean. If the grievance is not resolved by the School Dean’s decision, the student may make a written appeal to the Dean of Graduate or Undergraduate Education, and the dean will appoint and convene an Academic Appeals Panel. The decision of the Academic Appeals Panel is final. The results of the academic appeals process will be distributed to all involved parties.

Copies of these rules and regulations are available to students in the Office of the Dean of Students, where staff members are available to assist students in interpreting the rules and regulations.

Incomplete Grade Policy

As per university policy, incomplete grades will be granted only for work unavoidably missed at the semester’s end and only if 70% of the course work has been completed. An incomplete grade must be resolved within eight (8) weeks from the first day of the subsequent long semester. If the required work to complete the course and to remove the incomplete grade is not submitted by the specified deadline, the incomplete grade is changed automatically to a grade of F.

Disability Services

The goal of Disability Services is to provide students with disabilities educational opportunities equal to those of their non-disabled peers. Disability Services is located in room 3.200 in the Student Services Building. Office hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The contact information for the Office of Disability Services is:
The University of Texas at Dallas
800 West Campbell Rd, SSB32
Richardson, Texas 75083-0688
(972) 883-2098 (voice or TTY)
disabilityservice@utdallas.edu

If you anticipate issues related to the format or requirements of this course, please meet with the Coordinator of Disability Services. The Coordinator is available to discuss ways to ensure your full participation in the course. If you determine that formal, disability-related accommodations are necessary, it is very important that you be registered with Disability Services to notify them of your eligibility for reasonable accommodations. Disability Services can then plan how best to coordinate your accommodations.

It is the student’s responsibility to notify his or her professors of the need for such an accommodation. Disability Services provides students with letters to present to faculty members to verify that the student has a disability and needs accommodations. Individuals requiring special accommodation should contact the professor after class or during office hours.

Religious Holy Days

The University of Texas at Dallas will excuse a student from class or other required activities for the travel to and observance of a religious holy day for a religion whose places of worship are exempt from property tax under Section 11.20, Tax Code, Texas Code Annotated.

The student is encouraged to notify the instructor or activity sponsor as soon as possible regarding the absence, preferably in advance of the assignment. The student, so excused, will be allowed to take the exam or complete the assignment within a reasonable time after the absence: a period equal to the length of the absence, up to a maximum of one week. A student who notifies the instructor and completes any missed

exam or assignment may not be penalized for the absence. A student who fails to complete the exam or assignment within the prescribed period may receive a failing grade for that exam or assignment.

If a student or an instructor disagrees about the nature of the absence [i.e., for the purpose of observing a religious holy day] or if there is similar disagreement about whether the student has been given a reasonable time to complete any missed assignments or examinations, either the student or the instructor may request a ruling from the chief executive officer of the institution, or his or her designee. The chief executive officer or designee must take into account the legislative intent of TEC 51.911(b), and the student and instructor will abide by the decision of the chief executive officer or designee.

These descriptions and timelines are subject to change at the discretion of the Professor.