

## CERTIFICATE IN PHOTONICS & LASERS TECHNICAL SPECIALIST

### OPSC 110 ELECTRONICS FOR OPTICS AND PHOTONICS I

**Contact hours:** Forty-five (45) lecture hours & sixty (60) laboratory hours – 5 Credit

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**Course Description:** Electronics for Optics and Photonics I is the first of two courses that provide basic coverage of electricity and electronics fundamentals. This first part provides the student with an understanding of the basics of DC circuit theory and laboratory practice, including basic electrical concepts, electronic components, basic laws, and the use of measuring devices. It also introduces the student to the industry-standard Multisim simulation environment and the LabVIEW development environment. Requirements OPSC 100.

#### Competences / Objectives:

**At the end of the course, the student will develop and apply the skills to:**

1. Understand basic electrical concepts of voltage, resistance, current, and power in DC circuits.
2. Understand DC circuits by using schematic diagrams and be able to perform tests and measurements.
3. Safely work with electronic components and be aware of the risks involved and how to minimize them.
4. Use industry-standard simulation and development environments such as Multisim and LabVIEW.
5. Recognize the importance of electronics and its use in different industries to address the needs of society.
6. Access information sources related to electronics and photonics effectively and use this information ethically and legally.

#### Course Content:

- a. Survey of Electronics and Electricity
  - The System Concept and Basic System Functions
  - Electronic System Example
  - Structure of Matter
  - Electrostatic Charges
  - Static Electricity
  - Electric Current
- b. Resistors and Ohm's Law
  - Volts, Ohms, and Amperes
  - Components, Symbols, and Diagrams
  - Resistor Color Codes
  - Electrical Force (Voltage)



Measuring Voltage, Current, and Resistance  
Ohm's Law  
Examples

- c. Series and Parallel Circuits
  - Characteristics of Series Circuits
  - Examples of Series Circuits
  - Equivalent Resistance in Series Circuits
  - Characteristics of Parallel Circuits
  - Examples of Parallel Circuits
  - Equivalent Resistance in Parallel Circuits
  - Example of Combination Circuits
  - Voltage Dividers
  - Current Dividers
  - Procedure for Solving Series-Parallel Circuits
- d. Network Theorems
  - Kirchoff's Laws
  - Examples and Problems
  - Thevenin Equivalent Circuits
  - Norton Equivalent Circuits
- e. Conductors, Insulators, and Semiconductors
- f. Batteries
- g. Magnetism
  - Permanent Magnets
  - Magnetic Field Around Conductors
  - Magnetic Field Around a Coil
  - Electromagnets
  - Ohm's Law for Magnetic Circuits
- h. Analog and Digital Multimeters
  - Measuring Voltage, Current, and Resistance
  - Analog Multimeters
  - Digital Multimeters
- i. DC Troubleshooting
- j. Capacitors and Inductors
  - Capacitance
  - Series and Parallel Capacitors
  - Inductance
  - Series and Parallel Inductors
  - RC Circuits and RC Time Constant
  - RL Circuits and L/R Time Constant
  - RLC Circuits and Resonance



## LABORATORY - ELECTRONICS FOR OPTICS AND PHOTONICS I

The Electronics for Optics and Photonics courses prepare the student to understand the basics of DC and AC circuits and systems, and to apply these concepts to the area of Photonics. This first course focuses on DC Circuits and also introduces the student to industry-standard tools such as Multisim and LabVIEW, which he is likely to encounter in a research or industrial environment. At the end of the first course, the student will understand and will have the skills to safely operate electronic equipment (DC Circuits).

### Laboratory Content

- a. Introduction to Multisim and LabVIEW Environments
- b. Ohm's Law
- c. Voltage Divider and Resistance Bridge
- d. Kirchoff's Laws
- e. Thevenin and Norton Equivalent Circuits
- f. Series and Parallel Capacitors
- g. Capacitance and RC Circuits
- h. Inductance and RL Circuits
- i. RLC Circuits

<b>Grading Policy:</b>	30%	Two (2) partial exams
	20%	Homework and class presentations
	30%	Laboratory logbook
	20%	One (1) comprehensive final exam

The learning assessment policy and related tools may be accessed at:  
[http://www.suagm.edu/umet/vicerrectoria\\_opai\\_papara.asp](http://www.suagm.edu/umet/vicerrectoria_opai_papara.asp)

**Textbook:** Frenzel, L. (2013). *Contemporary Electronics: Fundamentals, Devices, Circuits, and Systems*. (1st ed., p. 848). USA: WCB/McGraw-Hill.

### References: a. Printed Resources

Chen, W. (2005). *The Electrical Engineering Handbook*. Boston: Elsevier Academic Press.

Karris, S. T. (2012). *Electronic Devices and Amplifier Circuits: With MATLAB*. Fremont, California, USA: Orchard Publications.



National Instruments, Carballo, L., Ulloa, D. & Garro, F. (n.d.). *Laboratory Exercises for Analog and Digital Courses using NI ELVIS II and NI Multisim*. (p. 150). National Instruments Corporation.

Shields, T. (n.d.). *Practical Teaching Ideas With Multisim*. 11 (8th ed., p. 300). National Instruments Corporation.

#### **b. Audiovisual Resources**

Almedasur. [almedasur]. (2011, August 16). *Voltage Measurement using NI ELVIS II - Part 1*. [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://youtu.be/2fZiepOpbE8>

National Instruments. (Producer). (2014a). *NI ELVIS Guided Tour: An Introductory Overview* [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://www.ni.com/video/645/en/>

National Instruments. (Producer). (2014b). *NI ELVIS Guided Tour: The NI Electronics Education Platform* [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://www.ni.com/video/1141/en/>

National Instruments. (Producer). (2014c). *User Solutions* [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://us.ni.com/academic/user-solutions>

#### **Students with Special Needs (ADA):**

Students receiving Vocational Rehabilitation services, who present evidence, should communicate with his/her professor at the beginning of the semester to arrange for reasonable accommodations and the necessary assistance equipment. Any student needing any special accommodations should communicate these needs to the professor during the first week of class.

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