

## **Course Specifications**

Program: Aerospace Engineering  
Major Field: Aircraft Control and Stability  
Department: Aerospace Engineering Department  
Academic Year/Level: Fourth Year Undergraduate  
Term: Second Term  
Year of Approval: March 2015.

### **A- Basic Information**

Title: Aerospace Guidance and Control Systems  
Code: AER408  
Credit Hours: 3  
Weekly Hours: Lectures 3, Tutorials 1, Total 4

### **B-Professional Information**

#### **1-Overall Aims of Course**

Analysis and design of automatic control systems for aircrafts

#### **2-Intended Learning Outcomes**

##### **A-Knowledge and Understanding**

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

- Understand automatic control and system dynamics
- Understand aircraft stability

##### **B-Intellectual Skills**

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

- Analysis of automatic control systems
- Creative thinking
- Solve and design automatic aircraft controls

##### **C-Professional and Practical Skills**

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to

- Implement engineering designs
- Implement sophisticated computer programs

## D- General and Transferable Skills

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to

- Work in a group
- Have good computing skills

## 3-Course Contents

| Topic                             | Number<br>of hours | Lecture<br>Hour | Tutorial<br>Hour |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Longitudinal and lateral dynamics | 4                  | 4               | 0                |
| Longitudinal auto pilots          | 22                 | 16              | 6                |
| Lateral auto pilots               | 20                 | 14              | 6                |
| Inertial cross coupling           | 2                  | 2               | 0                |

## 4-Teaching and Learning Methods

- Class activities
- Lecture
- Discussions
- Case study

## 5-Student Assessment Methods

- Class test (1) to assess understanding
- Class test (2) to assess understanding
- Reports to assess problem solving
- Mid-term exam to assess gains of completed topics
- Final exam to assess overall material comprehension

## Assessment Schedule

|              |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Assessment 1 | Week: 4,               |
| Assessment 2 | Week: 8                |
| Assessment 3 | Week 2,4,6,8           |
| Assessment 4 | Week 10                |
| Assessment 5 | At the end of the term |

## Weighting of Assessments

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Mid-Term exam | 20% |
| Semester work | 20% |
| Final exam    | 60% |

## **6-List of References**

### **Essential Textbooks**

J.H.Blackelok, “Automatic control of Aircraft and missiles”, John Wiley and Sons, 1990.

### **Recommended Books**

R. C. Nelson, “Flight Stability and Automatic Control”, 1998

### **Periodicals, Web sites, etc ...**

[www.dutchroll.com](http://www.dutchroll.com)

## **7-Facilities Required for Teaching and Learning**

- Small group of students
- Data show and screen

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