# **COURSE OUTLINE**

## **SMART ENERGY GRIDS & DISTRIBUTED GENERATION**

#### 1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	ENGINEERING SCHOOL				
DEPARTMENT	DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS				
	ENGINEERING				
LEVEL OF STUDIES	UNDERGRADUATE				
COURSE CODE	EEE.9-1.9 SEMESTER 9 <sup>th</sup>		9 <sup>th</sup>		
COURSE TITLE	SMART ENERGY GRIDS & DISTRIBUTED GENERATION				
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g., lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS (ECTS)		
	Lectures 3				
Laboratory exercises			4		
Total		Total	3	7	
Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail at (d).					
COURSE TYPE general background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development	Special Background Course				
PREREQUISITE COURSES:	NO				
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS:	Greek (official)				
IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	NO				
COURSE WEBSITE (URL)	www.eee.uniwa.gr				
	https://eclass.uniwa.gr/courses/EEE321/				

#### 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

#### Learning outcomes

The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.

Consult Appendix A

• Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area

- Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B
- Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

The aim of the course is to introduce the students to the field of Smart/Intelligent Energy Grids (SEG) integrating Distributed Generation Units (DGs), transmit the various techniques of design, calculation and application study of DG Units in SEG mainly at the level of Distribution Power Network (Medium Voltage-MV and Low Voltage-LV), as well as contribute to the understanding of the advantages of using the DG Units (their coordinated control) in Smart Grids (SG) with emphasis on Microgrids (MGs) which are its main part. In addition, the analysis of individual key issues of SEGs related to smart meters, the

telecommunications infrastructure required for its implementation as well as the processing of information data are also included in the above objectives.

Students who have successfully completed the course are expected to:

- 1. Know, name, describe and classify the modern and innovative application fields of Distributed Generation (DG) Units (e.g., RES, Fuel Cells, Microturbines, Cogeneration Systems CHP, Electric Cars-EVs etc.).
- 2. Know all the basic calculations to present a complete application study of any Distributed Generation Unit.
- 3. Use tools for calculating the expected power output of DGs Units and know optimization methodologies and techniques of DGs.
- 4. Understand and explain the basic terms and importance of a Power System Grid integrating various DG Units.
- 5. Demonstrate technical skills, adopt innovative solutions, and develop new knowledge in Intelligent DG incorporating knowledge from the various fields of RES, mCHPs, Electronic Powers, Energy Storage Devices, etc.
- 6. Know, describe by drawing a block diagram and explain the operation of the basic part of a Smart Grid (SG) and a Microgrid (MG); quantify its technical, operational, economic, and environmental advantages.
- 7. Know, understand, and explain the concept of a smart grid; identify the telecommunication infrastructure needed for its operation; identify and classify smart metering devices of various DGs technologies and discuss their relative merits.
- 8. Have the ability of SG modeling and know the various software for this purpose.
- 9. Understand the necessity of Digitization in the modern energy era.

#### **General Competences** Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and	Project planning and management
information, with the use of the necessary technology	Respect for difference and multiculturalism
Adapting to new situations	Respect for the natural environment
Decision-making	Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and
Working independently	sensitivity to gender issues
Team work	Criticism and self-criticism
Working in an international environment	Production of free, creative and inductive thinking
Working in an interdisciplinary environment	
Production of new research ideas	

The course aims at developing the following capabilities:

- 1. Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information
- 2. Independent work
- 3. Teamwork
- 4. Promoting creative and inductive thinking
- 5. Respect of natural environment and understanding of the various environmental constraints associated with the penetration of DG Units under Smart Grid frame.

## 3. COURSE CONTENT

The subjects covered in the course are:

1. Distributed Generation Units (DGs)

## 2. Operation and Calculations Study in Various Energy Systems

- Photovoltaics,
- Wind,
- Microturbines,
- Hydrogen Fuel Cells,
- Small Hydroelectric Power Plants,
- High Efficiency Combined Heat and Power Units,
- Geothermal Energy Systems,
- Biomass, Solar Thermal Systems,
- Electric Vehicles,
- Hybrid and Storage Units (e.g. Pumped Storage).
- 3. Study for the combined use of DGs Units in a Smart Energy Grid.
- 4. Analysis of basic structures and presentation of basic tools of a Smart Grid.
- 5. Technical, Operational, Economic and Environmental characteristics of a Microgrid as a basic structure of a SEG.

More specifically, the modules of the course are:

# **1** INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

- Introduction: Basic Principles
- Electric Industry Structure
- Modern Power System: Generation-Transmission-Distribution-Loads
- Reliability, Protection and Control of Power Systems
- Stability and Power Load Flow Analysis
- The system of SCADA: Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
- Power System and Liberalization Market
- Environmental Policies in Power System

# 2 DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES (DER TECHNOLOGIES)

- Modern Power Systems and Technologies of Distributed Generation
- Renewable Energy Sources (RES)
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Small scale hydro generation and Hybrid Pumped Storage Units  $\;$
  - o Wind Power Plants
  - Offshore Wind Energy
  - Solar Photovoltaic Generation and Thermal Power Plant (CSP)
  - Biomass Power Plants
  - o Geothermal Power Plants
  - o Examples of integrating RES applications in the grid through power electronics
- Microturbines
- High Efficiency Micro Combined Heat and Power Plant (mCHP)
- Hydrogen Fuel Cell
- Electric Vehicles
- Storage Systems

# **3 PENETRATION OF DGs UNITS IN POWER SYSTEMS**

- Integration of DGs Units in Distribution Network Penetration Limits
- Modern Power Electronics for DGs Applications Examples
- Technical restrictions and prerequisites. Existing analysis methodologies
- Protection of DGs

- Economics of DGs Legal, Pricing and Financing framework for DG units
- Active Power Network Microgrids

### 4 MICROGRIDS AS A BASIC PART OF SMART ENERGY GRIDS

- Introduction to Microgrids Coordinated Control of DGs
- Operational Framework of Microgrids
  - Distribution Management System (DMS)
  - Microgrid System Central Controller (MGCC)
  - Local Controllers (LC)
- Technical, Economic, Environmental, and Operational benefits of Microgrids due to High Penetration of DGs Units in a Distribution Power Network
- Demand Response Management in Microgrids
- Business Models and Pricing Mechanisms/Policies in Microgrids Participation in Energy Market
- Microgrids and Smart Grids

### 5 SMART GRIDS

- Introduction to Smart Grids (SG)
- Factors affecting the Growth of SG
- The global reality in the field of SGs and Transition into Future Grids
- Smart Agents
- Electronics and Communications Infrastructure in SG
- ICT Technologies
- The need of using Smart Meters
  - o Description and Definition of Metering Infrastructures
  - Metering Equipment
  - o Communication of Metering Equipment Protocols
  - Metering Data Management Systems (MDMS)
- Interconnections Issues between SGs
- Active Consumers (Prosumers) in SGs
- Application of SGs in Europe and Digitalization in Modern Energy Era

#### 4. TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

<b>DELIVERY</b> Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.	Face-to-face lectures and presentations.
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education, communication with students	<ul> <li>Teaching using ICT,</li> <li>Learning process support through the course website (study aids - notes, exercises, solved exam topics),</li> <li>Demonstration of computer simulations using computer tools (HOMER, etc),</li> <li>Communication with students through email and the course website</li> </ul>
TEACHING METHODS The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail.	The teaching is organized in lectures, exercises / works, and study:

Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography,	A			
tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art	Activity	Semester Course Load		
workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity,	Lectures 45			
etc.	Study of the material of			
	the lectures - solution of	45		
The student's study hours for each learning	exercises			
activity are given as well as the hours of non- directed study according to the principles of the	Study and preparation	30		
ECTS	for the exams			
	Total Course Load	120		
STUDENT PERFORMANCE	Written final examination on the theoretical part of the			
EVALUATION	course that includes solving exercises and problems of graded difficulty. Each query lists the units being			
Description of the evaluation procedure				
Language of evaluation, methods of	evaluated. The syllabus of the course is announced at the beginning of the semester on the course's website and students can have any relevant book during the			
evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple				
choice questionnaires, short-answer questions,				
open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public				
presentation, laboratory work, clinical	examination.			
examination of patient, art interpretation,				
other	Optionally and in cooperation with the teacher of the			
Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are	course, work with a weight of 20% can be performed.			
given, and if and where they are accessible to	<u>Theory</u>			
students.	The grade of the mixed course is obtained:			
	80% x Degree of theory + 20% x Grade of Semi-monthly			
	work (optional)			

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