

## **ESC 704 – Stochastic Processes (3 credits)**

Prerequisite: ESC 512 or equivalent

This course introduces students to stochastic processes, spectral representation and estimation, mean square estimation, entropy as a measure of uncertainty, Markov chains, and queueing theory. This course includes fundamental material for industrial engineering, communication theory, network theory, control theory, and signal processing.

### **ESC 704 Syllabus**

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PREREQUISITE: EEC 512 or ESC 512 (Probability and Stochastic Processes)

TEXTBOOK: Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes, by A. Papoulis and S. Pillai, Fourth Edition, McGraw Hill, 2002.

REFERENCES: An Introduction to Probability and Stochastic Processes, by J. Melsa and A. Sage, Prentice Hall, 1973.  
Introduction to Random Processes, by William A. Gardner, Second Edition, McGraw Hill, 1990.  
Probability and Random Processes for Electrical Engineering, by A. Leon-Garcia, Addison-Wesley, 1989.  
Introduction to Random Processes in Engineering, by A. Balakrishnan, Wiley, 1995.  
Introduction to Stochastic Processes, by E. Cinlar, Dover, 2013.  
Introduction to the Theory of Random Processes, by N. Krylov, American Mathematical Society, 2002.  
Introduction to the Theory of Random Processes, by I. Gikhman and A. Skorokhod, Dover, 1996.  
Random Signals and Systems, by B. Picinbono, Prentice-Hall, 1993.  
Intuitive Probability and Random Processes using MATLAB®, by S. Kay, Springer, 2006.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

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## COURSE OUTLINE:

- Class Period 1: Review of Probability Theory
- Class Period 2: Review of Probability Theory
- Class Period 3: Review of Continuous-Time Stochastic Processes
- Class Period 4: Review of Discrete-Time Stochastic Processes
- Class Period 5: Stationarity
- Class Period 6: Gaussian Processes
- Class Period 7: Poisson Processes
- Class Period 8: Shot Noise
- Class Period 9: Review of Power Spectra
- Class Period 10: Random Walks
- Class Period 11: Sampling Theory
- Class Period 12: System Identification
- Class Period 13: Spectral Factorization
- Class Period 14: Spectral Representation of Random Processes
- Class Period 15: Spectral Estimation
- Class Period 16: Spectral Estimation
- Class Period 17: Midterm Exam**
- Class Period 18: Mean Square Estimation
- Class Period 19: Constrained Estimation
- Class Period 20: Kalman Filters
- Class Period 21: Wiener Filters
- Class Period 22: Entropy
- Class Period 23: Coding and Channel Capacity
- Class Period 24: Markov Chains
- Class Period 25: Absorption Probabilities
- Class Period 26: Markov Processes
- Class Period 27: Queueing Theory
- Class Period 28: Queueing Networks
- Class Period 29: Final Exam**

## GRADING:

- Homework ..... 30%
- Midterm Exam..... 30%
- Final Exam..... 40%