



**Jordan University of Science and Technology**  
**Faculty of Engineering**  
**Nuclear Engineering Department**

NE521 Nuclear Reactor Safety

Second Semester 2019-2020

**Course Catalog**

3 Credit Hours. Deterministic and probabilistic analysis of nuclear reactor safety. Analysis and evaluation applied to reactor design for accident prevention and mitigation; protective systems and their reliability, containment design, emergency cooling requirements, reactivity excursions and the atmospheric dispersion of radioactive material.

**Text Book**

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| <b>Title</b>             | Class Notes |
| <b>Author(s)</b>         | Instructor  |
| <b>Edition</b>           | 1st Edition |
| <b>Short Name</b>        | Ref#1       |
| <b>Other Information</b> |             |

**Course References**

| Short name | Book name                           | Author(s)                             | Edition     | Other Information |
|------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Ref#2      | Nuclear Safety                      | Gianni Petrangeli                     | 1st Edition |                   |
| Ref#3      | Introduction to Nuclear Engineering | John R. Lamarsh, Anthony John Baratta | 3rd Edition |                   |

**Instructor**

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| Class Schedule & Room  |
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| Section 3:<br>Lecture Time: Sun, Tue, Thu : 11:30 - 12:30<br>Room: E2117 |

| Prerequisites |  |                      |
|---------------|--|----------------------|
| Line Number   | Course Name  | Prerequisite Type    |
| 2004510       | NE451 Nuclear Power Plant Systems & Operations (1) | Prerequisite / Study |

| Tentative List of Topics Covered |   |            |
|----------------------------------|---|------------|
| Weeks                            | Topic                                       | References |
| Week 1                           | Introduction, History and Terminology       |            |
| Weeks 2, 3                       | Dispersion of Radioactive releases          |            |
| Weeks 4, 5                       | Health Consequences of Radioactive releases |            |
| Week 5                           | Siting of Nuclear Power Plants              |            |
| Week 6                           | Principles of Reactor Safety                |            |
| Week 7                           | Accidents of Nuclear Reactors               |            |
| Week 8                           | Safety Systems in Nuclear Reactors          |            |
| Weeks 9, 10                      | Deterministic Safety Analysis               |            |
| Weeks 11, 12, 13, 14             | Probabilistic Safety Analysis               |            |
| Week 15                          | Major Accidents in the Nuclear Industry     |            |

| Mapping of Course Outcomes to Program Student Outcomes  | Course Outcome Weight (Out of 100%) | Assessment method |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Ability to demonstrate a good understanding of the basic safety terminology and its history, Identify the isotopes that constitute the source term for a nuclear reactor and calculate their concentration upon a postulated release using dispersion equations. [21, 12, 14, 17] | 24%                                 |                   |
| Ability to calculate radiological doses due to different types of exposure and to use dose limits along with other site physical characteristics in the siting process of a nuclear reactor. [21, 12, 17]   | 10%                                 |                   |
| Ability to demonstrate a good understanding of the principle of defense in depth and to recognize and analyze the different types of nuclear reactor accidents and the different groups of safety systems intended to mitigate their consequences. [32, 17]                       | 22%                                 |                   |

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| Ability to describe the different elements of a deterministic safety analysis. [17]  | 12% |  |
| Ability to implement event tree and fault tree analysis along with the probability theory to perform probabilistic safety analysis. [11, 12, 17] | 22% |  |
| Ability to explain the different circumstances and conditions during the Chernobyl, Three Miles Island and the Fukushima accidents. [17]         | 10% |  |

| Relationship to Program Student Outcomes (Out of 100%) |       |   |      |   |   |       |
|--|-------|---|------|---|---|-------|
| 1  | 2     | 3 | 4    | 5 | 6 | 7     |
| 21.93  | 31.13 |   | 4.80 |   |   | 42.13 |

| Evaluation                                |        |
|---|--------|
| Assessment Tool                           | Weight |
| First Exam                                | 25%    |
| Second exam                               | 25%    |
| Final exam                                | 40%    |
| Quizzes, Class Participation and Homework | 10%    |

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