



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

NE471 Radiation Interactions & Shielding Design

First Semester 2019-2020

Course Catalog

3 Credit Hours. Basic principles of radiation interactions and transport, especially as related to the design of radiation shields. Radiation sources, nuclear reactions, radiation transport, photon interactions, dosimetry, buildup factors and fast neutron shielding.

Text Book

Title	Radiation Shielding
Author(s)	J. Kenneth Shultis & Richard E. Faw
Edition	1st Edition
Short Name	Ref #1
Other Information	

Course References

Short name	Book name	Author(s)	Edition	Other Information
Ref #2	Introduction to Nuclear Engineering	John R. Lamarsh, Anthony J. Baratta	3rd Edition	

Instructor

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Class Schedule & Room
Section 1: Lecture Time: Sun, Tue, Thu : 08:30 - 09:30 Room: E2113

Prerequisites		
Line Number	Course Name	Prerequisite Type
2003110	NE311 Ionizing Radiation & Measurement	Prerequisite / Study

Tentative List of Topics Covered		
Weeks	Topic	References
Week 1	Characterization of Radiation Fields and Sources	Ch 2 From Ref #1
Weeks 2, 3	Review of Interaction of Radiation with Matter	Ch 3 From Ref #1
Weeks 3, 4	Radiation Sources Encountered in Shield Design	Ch 4 From Ref #1
Weeks 5, 6	Response functions	Ch 5 From Ref #1
Weeks 7, 8, 9	Methods for Radiation Dose Calculations	Ch 6 From Ref #1
Weeks 10, 11, 12	Special techniques for photons	Ch 7 From Ref #1
Weeks 12, 13, 14	Special Techniques for Neutrons	Ch 8 From Ref #1
Weeks 15, 16	Special techniques for charged particles	Ch 9 From Ref #1

Mapping of Course Outcomes to Program Student Outcomes	Course Outcome Weight (Out of 100%)	Assessment method
Characterizing radiation fields in space in terms of fluence and flow and realizing spatial variation of the joint distribution of particle energy and direction with ability to analyze the major reactions energy transfer for common radiation sources encountered in shield design [11]	16%	
Linking between the physical description of radiation field (fluence or flux) and various measures of radiation sensor response (dose) by deriving response functions using specific methods starting from cross-section data and connecting radiation fluence/flux with effective dose for human (phantom) body at varied situations and verifying the conservative choices [11]	18%	
Calculating uncollided radiation and response for several distributed sources and shielding configurations with demonstrating ability of applying the superposition technique and the point kernel in terms of dose calculations [11, 12, 14]	18%	

Designing a proper shielding for photon sources at varied geometries by deriving the proper relations for response functions starting from differential elements and using buildup factor tabulated data, attenuation factors, linear deposition coefficients, skyshine and albedo methods [11, 12, 14]	18%	
Apply a complete a treatment of neutron shielding design using neutron cross sections and quantifying the neutron moderation and energy transfer to matter, applying simplified techniques for fast neutron shielding design [11, 12, 14]	18%	
Evaluate the spatial distribution of absorbed dose arising from charged particle sources in different geometries [11, 12, 14]	12%	

Relationship to Program Student Outcomes (Out of 100%)						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
56	22		22			

Evaluation	
Assessment Tool	Weight
Midterm Exam Theory	10%
Midterm Exam Practical	15%
Final Exam	40%
Performance, Reports, Quizzes, Class Participation and Homeworks	35%

Policy	
Quizzes	Quizzes will be given at the end of selected classes to measure the understanding of the basic principles.

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