

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING  
SYLLABUS FOR B.E. IV SEMESTER

**SENSORS FOR ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS**

(for other Branches)

Instruction: 2 Hrs /week	SEE Marks : 60	Course Code : OE420EC
Credits : 2	CIE Marks: 40	Duration of SEE : 3 Hrs

Course Objective:	Course Outcomes
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The student will come to know the various stimuli that are to be measured in real life instrumentation.</li> <li>2. He will be able to select the right process or phenomena on which the sensor should depend on</li> <li>3. He will be aware of the various sensors available for measurement and control applications.</li> </ol>	<p><b>At the end of the course, students will be able to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appreciate the operation of various measuring and control instruments which they encounter in their respective fields.</li> <li>2. Visualize the sensors and the measuring systems when they have to work in areas of interdisciplinary nature and also think of sensors and sensors systems when for a new situation they encounter in their career</li> <li>3. Identify and select the right process or phenomena on which the sensor should depend on.</li> <li>4. Know various stimuli that are to be measured in real life instrumentation.</li> </ol>

**UNIT - I**

Introduction: What is a sensor and what is a transducer? Electrical sensor – need for sensors in the modern world. Different fields of sensors based on the stimuli - various schematics for active and passive sensors. General characteristics and specifications of sensors – Implications of specifications uses of sensors – measurement of stimuli - block diagram of sensor system. Brief description of each block.

**UNIT - II**

Sensors for mechanical systems or mechanical sensors - Displacement - acceleration and force - flow of fluids – level indicators – pressure in fluids – stress in solids. Typical sensors - wire and film strain gauges, animometers, piezo electric and magnetostrictive accelerometers, potentiometric sensors, LVDT.

**UNIT - III**

Thermal sensors – temperature – temperature difference – heat quantity. Thermometers for different situation – thermocouples thermistors – color pyrometry.

Optical sensors: light intensity – wavelength and color – light dependent resistors, photodiode, photo transistor, CCD, CMOS sensors.

Radiation detectors: radiation intensity, particle counter – Gieger Muller counter (gas based), Hallide radiation detectors.

**UNIT - IV**

Magnetic sensors: magnetic field, magnetic flux density – magneto resistors, Hall sensors, super conduction squids.

Acoustic or sonic sensors: Intensity of sound, frequency of sound in various media, various forms of microphones, piezo electric sensors.

Electrical sensors: conventional volt and ammeters, high current sensors, (current transformers), high voltage sensors, High power sensors.

High frequency sensors like microwave frequency sensors, wavelength measuring sensors.

MEMs and MEM based sensors.

**Suggested Reading:**

1. Doebelin, "Measurement Systems: Application and Design", McGraw Hill Kogakusha Ltd.
2. Julian W. Gardner, Vijay K. Varadan, Osama O. Awadelkarim "Microsensors, MEMS and Smart Devices", New York: Wiley, 2001.
3. Henry Bolte, "Sensors – A Comprehensive Sensors", John Wiley.