| Course Code | Course Title | ECTS Credits |
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| ECE-536 | Digital Image Processing | 8 |
| Department | Semester | Prerequisites |
| Engineering | Fall or Spring | ECE-332 |
| Type of Course | Field | Language of Instruction |
| Elective | Engineering | English |
| Level of Course | Year of Study | Lecturer(s) |
| 2 nd Cycle | 1 st | Dr George Gregoriou |
| Mode of Delivery | Work Placement | Co-requisites |
| Face-to-face | N/A | None |

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Provide knowledge and a fundamental understanding of digital image processing systems, principles, analytical methods and techniques.
- Give students the mathematical fundamentals of common digital image processing algorithms.
- Provide hands-on experience in using software for processing digital images.
- Give experience to students to work collaboratively in teams on larger projects.
- Develop a foundation that can be used as the basis for further study and research in image processing.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to:

- Discuss the theoretical foundations of modern image processing.
- Be exposed to current technologies that are specific to image processing systems.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of digital image processing principles and techniques.
- Apply the theory to practical image processing problems in order to process and visualize digital information.
- Identify the different digital image processing and visualization techniques and their applications.
- Demonstrate understanding of different procedures involved in the computer representation of images: image enhancement in both spatial and frequency domain, image restoration, color image processing, image compression, image segmentation and other image analysis techniques.

Course Contents:

- Digital image fundamentals: elements of visual perception; electromagnetic spectrum; image sensing and acquisition; sampling and quantization; basic relationships between pixels.
- Image enhancement in the spatial domain: gray level transformations; histogram processing; enhancement using arithmetic/logic operations; spatial filtering; smoothing spatial filters; sharpening spatial filters; combined methods.
- Image enhancement in the frequency domain: Fourier Transform; smoothing

- filters; sharpening filters; homomorphic filtering.
- Image restoration: image degradation model; noise modeling; noise removal spatial filtering; periodic noise reduction; inverse filtering; Wiener filtering; constrained least squares filtering.
- Color image processing: color fundamentals; color models; pseudo-color image processing, color transformations; smoothing and sharpening; color segmentation; noise in color images; color image compression.
- Image compression: fundamentals; compression models; elements of information theory; error-free compression; lossy compression; compression standards.
- Image segmentation: detection of discontinuities; boundary detection; thresholding; region-based segmentation; use of motion in segmentation.

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, in-class examples and exercises, projects

Assessment Methods:

Homework, projects, mid-term exam, final exam

Required Textbooks/Reading:

| Authors | Title | Publisher | Year | ISBN |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|------------|
| R. Gonzalez, | Digital Image | Prentice Hall | 2008, | 013168728X |
| R. Woods | Processing | | 3 rd edition | |

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|--------------|------------------|------------------|------|---------------|
| R. Gonzalez, | Digital Image | Pearson Prentice | 2009 | 9780982085400 |
| R. Woods, | Processing using | Hall | | |
| S. Eddins | MATLAB | | | |
| W. Pratt | Digital Image | Wiley | 2007 | 9780471767770 |
| | Processing | | | |