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## Power electronics 780 (EED 780)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	32.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BEngHons Electrical Engineering</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Undergraduate level Power electronics
<b>Contact time</b>	32 contact hours per semester
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Electrical, Electronic and Com
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1 or Semester 2

### Module content

Power semiconductors - basic structure, I-V characteristic physics of device operation, switching characteristics, SOA; passive components; converter topologies - AC-DC rectifiers, DC-DC converters, DC-AC inverters, AC-AC converters and resonant converters; Dynamics and control - state space models, feedback control design; Ancillary issues - gate and base drives, snubber circuits and clamps, thermal modelling and heatsinking; Applications - electric utility applications, isolated switch-mode power supplies, optimising of the utility interface with power electronic systems.

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