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Introduction to the science of measurement 716 (EIS 716)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 16.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 16 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition English

Academic organisation Electrical, Electronic and Com

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Credits: 16 (must be combined with another 16 credit Laboratory in photonics module to form a 32 credit module) Theory: Introduction to metrology, international equivalence of units of measurement, realisation of the SI units, principles of measurement, total quality management, data analysis and calculation of uncertainty of measurement. Practical: calibration of luminance and illuminance meters, calibration of an oscillator for frequency, calibration of a thermocouple and digital readout by comparison with an industrial platinum resistance thermometer, characterisation and composition of thin films, national measurement standards of length/mass/electrical current.

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