

**The University of Texas at El Paso**  
**College of Engineering**  
**Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**  
**Syllabus**

**EE 5373 Introduction to Remote Sensing Systems**

**Credit Hours: 3**

**MW 1:30 to 2:50 pm**

**Prerequisite Courses: (EE 3384 and EE 2353 and MATH 3323) or Permission of the instructor.**

**Course Description:**

Introduction to imaging principles and system performance parameters for optical systems used in multi/hyperspectral remote sensing. Study and evaluation of existing and proposed ground-based, airborne, and satellite remote sensing platforms. Introduction to the end-to-end information processing chain including algorithms, methodologies and tools for information extraction and management in multi/hyperspectral remote sensing. Discussion of research trends in the area.

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**Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Understand the fundamentals of imaging for remote sensing applications using multispectral and hyperspectral imagers.
- Understand the parameters of the imaging system and how they affect the quality of the collected image
- Apply algorithms for atmospheric compensation, geo-referencing to remote sensing imagery
- Apply signal and image processing, and pattern recognition techniques to the analysis of remote sensing imagery.
- Use software tools such as ENVI/IDL or MATLAB for the analysis of remote sensing imagery

**Required Materials:**

Textbook

1. R.A. Schowengerdt, **Remote Sensing: Models and Methods for Image Processing**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Elsevier, 2007. Available from UTEP Library Electronic Resources:  
<http://0-www.netlibrary.com.lib.utep.edu/urlapi.asp?action=summary&v=1&bookid=196149>

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12. J.R. Jensen, **Introductory Digital Image Processing: A Remote Sensing Perspective**, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Prentice Hall, 2015
13. M.J. Canty, **Image Analysis, Classification and Change Detection in Remote Sensing: with Algorithms for ENVI/IDL and Python**, 3rd Edition, CRC Press, 2014. Available from: <http://0-proquest.safaribooksonline.com.lib.utep.edu/9781466570375>
14. R.C. Olsen, **Remote Sensing from Earth and Space**, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, SPIE Press, 2016.
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17. G. Camps-Valls and L. Bruzzone, **Kernel Methods for Remote Sensing Data Analysis**, Wiley 2009.
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#### Online Resources

1. Electronic access to multiple remote sensing journals is available online from the UTEP Library.
2. SEOS Project, **Introduction to Remote Sensing**,  
<http://www.seos-project.eu/modules/remotesensing/remotesensing-c00-p01.html>
3. **Landsat Science**. Available from: <http://landsat.gsfc.nasa.gov/>
4. **ENVI Tutorials**.  
Available from: <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/Tutorials.html>
5. **The Earth Observations Handbook**. <http://www.eohandbook.com/>
6. **A Plan For A National Land Imaging Program**.  
[http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/fli\\_iwg\\_report\\_print\\_ready\\_low\\_res.pdf](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/fli_iwg_report_print_ready_low_res.pdf)
7. **Earth Science and Applications from Space:National Imperatives for the Next Decade and Beyond**, Committee on Earth Science and Applications from Space: A Community Assessment and Strategy for the Future, The National Academies Press, 2007. Available from [http://www.nap.edu/catalog.php?record\\_id=11820](http://www.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=11820)

8. **MATLAB Hyperspectral Image Analysis Toolbox (HIAT)**  
<http://www.censsis.neu.edu/software/hyperspectral/hyperspectral.html>
9. **MultiSpec: A Freeware Multispectral Image Data Analysis System**  
<https://engineering.purdue.edu/~biehl/MultiSpec/>

#### Software Tools

- Most homework will require the use of programs such as MATLAB or ENVI/IDL.
- ENVI/IDL student version can be purchase from  
<http://www.exelisvis.com/Industries/Academic/Students/StudentLicenses.aspx>
- MATLAB is available from My.Apps.UTEP.edu.
- MATLAB tutorials and books are available from the UTEP Library.
- Some homework may require the use of GIS software. ArcGIS is available in My.Apps.UTEP.edu

#### **Course Policies:**

##### Grading:

The final grade will be based in two tests (40%), homework (35%), and a Project (25%). You need to complete and hand in all work to pass the course. An incomplete grade is given only for a valid reason when arrangements have been made with me and only if the student was passing the course. Late course work will not be accepted. No make-up work will be given.

##### Grading Policy:

- A: 90%-100%
- B: 80%-89.99%
- C: 70%-79.99%
- D: 60%-69.99%
- F: 0-59.99%

##### Classroom Etiquette:

Part of being a professional is being on time and being prepared to do your job. This applies to your career as a student as much as it does to your future career as an engineer. You are expected to be in class and prepared to participate at the scheduled start time. Wireless devices (cell phones, PDA's, MP3 players, Smart phones, etc.) are allowed in the classroom. It is recognized that devices of this sort provide emergency access for your family and loved ones. However, please use professional discretion with these devices. This includes shutting them off or setting them in the silent mode before coming to class. Do not use text messaging or web browser features while you are in class. If you must answer the phone, please do so after discretely leaving the room. You may return to class once your call is finished.

##### Cheating and Plagiarism:

Cheating is unethical and not acceptable. Plagiarism is using information or original wording in a paper without giving credit to the source of that information or wording: it is also not acceptable. Do not submit work under your name that you did not do yourself. You may not submit work for this class that you did for another class. If you are found to be cheating or plagiarizing, you will be subject to disciplinary action, per UTEP catalog policy.

**Course Statements:** (Civility, disability, military, etc.)

##### Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS):

If you have a disability and need classroom accommodations, please contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to [cass@utep.edu](mailto:cass@utep.edu), or visit their office located in UTEP Union East, Room 106. For additional information, please visit the CASS website at [www.sa.utep.edu/cass](http://www.sa.utep.edu/cass).

##### Civility:

We expect course business to be conducted in a civil manner. Disrespectful behavior towards the instructor or classmates is not acceptable. Any uncivil behavior in class will be subject to disciplinary actions per UTEP policy.

**Course Schedule (Tentative):**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Recommended Reading Sch. → Schowengerdt,</b>	<b>Lectures Best estimate &amp; Hwk</b>
Introduction to remote sensing and a brief historical overview, course introduction	Sch: Ch. 1	1
Physics of remote sensing: introduction to radiometry, fundamental equation in different regions of the electromagnetic spectrum	Sch: Ch. 2	2→4
Sensing systems: camera systems, EO systems, detectors, samples of existing systems, sensor resolution	Sch: Ch.3	5→6 Hwk: Simulation of loss of spatial and spectral resolution using MATLAB.  Hwk: Presentation on an existing multispectral or hyperspectral imaging system
Data Models: Statistical models for multi/hyperspectral imagery. Simple visualization techniques using scatterplots and scattergrams. Noise models. Spatial statistics. Topographic and sensor effects.	Sch: Ch.4	7→9 Hwk: Visualization of MSI/HSI. Feature extraction. Extraction of histograms. Determination of image partial statistics.
Spectral transforms. Feature extractions from MSI/HSI	Sch: Sections 5.1→5.5	10→12 Hwk: Feature extraction.
Contrast enhancement: single band, color composites	Sc: 5.6	13-→14 Hwk: Contrast stretching single band images. Hwk: Color image contrast enhancement.
Spatial processing: Linear and nonlinear filters. Edge detection. Fourier transforms. Scale-Space representations.	Sch: Ch. 6	15→16 Hwk: per pixel processing Hwk 2: spatial processing. Hwk: Journal paper analysis.
<b>Midterm Exam</b>		
Correction and Calibration	Sch. Ch. 7	16→18 Hwk: use of ENVI-FLAASH for atmospheric correction and georeferencing
Registration and Fusion	Sch. Ch. 8	19→21 Hwk: Image registration Hwk: Band sharpening
Multispectral Image (MSI) Processing: per pixel processing, classification, transformations	Sch. Sections 9.1→9.8	22 → 26 Hwk: Classification of MSI
Hyperspectral Image (HSI) Processing: extension of multispectral methods and dimensionality issues, unmixing, spectroscopy	Sch.9.8→9.9 Professor notes	27 →28 Hwk: HSI classification Hwk: HSI unmixing and soft classification
Project Presentations		29→30
<b>Final Exam</b>		