



College of Optics & Photonics

Fall 2015

OSE-6111 Optical Wave Propagation

- Time:** Tuesday and Thursday 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM
August 25, 2015 – December 15, 2015
- Location:** CREOL-102
- Credit Hours:** 3 hours
- Prerequisite:** Graduate standing or consent of instructor
- Description:** Optical propagation of light waves as applied to isotropic, anisotropic, inhomogeneous media, Gaussian beams, and periodic structures.
- Instructor:** Dr. Jim Moharam, Professor
- Office CREOL – 274
 - **Email:** moharam@creol.ucf.edu
- Office Hours:** Monday and Wednesday 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM or by appointment
- Class Website:** Course materials (syllabus, notes, problem sets, solutions, and old exams) will be available on <https://webcourses.ucf.edu/>.
- Lectures are “video streamed” through the **PANOPTO** system.
 - A link to the lectures is available on Webcourses.
- Reference Materials:**
- Class notes.
 - A Yariv and P. Yeh, “Photonics: Optical Electronics in Modern Communications,” Oxford University Press, 6th edition, 2006. (could be useful but not required)

Course Requirements and Grading Policy:

- **Problem sets: 10%**
 - Problem sets are to be submitted before the beginning of the class on the due date in person or by e-mail.
 - Late homework will not be accepted.
 - You may work with others but the submission must be all yours.
- **Midterm Exam I: 25%**
 - Thursday, October 8, 2015 1:30 PM -2:45 PM
- **Midterm Exam II: 25%**
 - Thursday, November 12, 2015 1:30 PM -2:45 PM
- **Final Exam: 40%**
 - Tuesday, December 15, 2015 1:00 PM -3:50 PM

Exams are comprehensive and are closed book and notes.
All exams are held in CREOL 102/103.

Make up Work/Exam Policy:

If an emergency arises and a student cannot submit assigned work by the due date or cannot take an exam on the scheduled date, the student must notify the instructor no less than 24 hours before and no more than 48 hours after the scheduled date.

Grading Scale:

(%)	Rubric Description
$A \geq 90$	Excellent, has a strong understanding of all concepts and is able to apply the concepts in all and novel situations. Has full mastery of the content of the course.
$90 > B \geq 70$	Good, has a strong understanding of most or all of the concepts and is able to apply them to stated and defined situations.
$70 > C \geq 60$	Average, has a basic understanding of some of the major concepts of the course and is able to apply to basic situations.
$60 > D \geq 50$	Below average, has a basic understanding of only the simple concepts and is able to apply to only a limited number of the basic situations.
$F < 50$	Demonstrates no understanding of the course content.

Plus and minus grades will be used.

Calendar:

August (2)		September (9)		October (9)		November (6)		December (2)	
		1	3		1	3	5	1	2
		8	10	6	8(M)	10	12(MT)		
		15	17	13	15	17	19	15 (F)	
25	27	22	24	20	22	24	26 (H)		
		29		27	29				

- **Withdrawal deadline** November 2, 2015

General Information:

- Students in the on-campus sections are required to attend the class in person.
- Your e-mail of record at UCF will be used for communication.
- My preferred method of communication (other than in person) is e-mail. It is checked regularly including on weekends.
- If you have any questions, do not wait for office hours. E-mail me and I will get back to you within a reasonable time.
- If it is not possible to satisfactorily answer your questions, a time will be arranged to meet at my office.

Information for Distant Learning Students:

- Students in the distant learning section located within 150 miles from UCF must take the Midterms and the Final Exam with the students in the face-face section.
- It is extremely important to review the class videos in a timely manner.
- Problem sets are to be submitted by class time on the due date by e-mail (pdf format preferred). Graded problem sets and exams will be e-mailed back.

Financial Aid and Attendance:

Students' academic activity at the beginning of each course must be documented. In order to document that you began this course, students must complete the ***academic participation verification question*** posted on ***Webcourses*** no later than **September 3**. Failure to do so will result in a delay in the disbursement of financial aid.

Class Attendance:

Regular class attendance is necessary for students to fully grasp the course concepts. If you miss a class session, it will be your responsibility to find out the materials that were covered.

Professionalism:

Per university policy and plain classroom etiquette, mobile phones, etc. must be silenced during all classroom lectures, unless you are specifically asked to make use of such devices for certain activities. You should be present in class before the lecture begins.

Ethics:

As in all university courses, The Golden Rule of Conduct will be applied. If you are uncertain as to what constitutes academic dishonesty, please consult The Golden Rule in the UCF Student Handbook (www.goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu) for further details. Violations of these rules will result in a record of the infraction being placed in your file and additional sanctions may be applied.

Students with Special Testing/Learning Needs:

Students with documented special needs and requiring special accommodations must be registered with UCF Student Disability Services (www.sds.sdes.ucf.edu) or at (407) 823-2371 prior to receiving those accommodations. Students must inform the instructor of their special needs as early as possible in the first week of classes.

Course Outline:

Review of Vector Analysis (3 hours)

- Vector representation and vector coordinate transformations
- Dot product and cross products
- Differential vector operations
- Integral vector theorems
- Fourier series and Fourier transforms in linear systems

Electromagnetic Field Theory (3 hours)

- Electromagnetic fields
- Integral and differential time varying Maxwell's equations
- Constitutive relationships and permittivity, permeability, and conductivity
- Boundary conditions
- Power and Energy – Poynting's theorem
- Complex time harmonic Maxwell's equations

Electromagnetic Propagation in Linear Isotropic Homogenous Media (4.5 hours)

- The wave equation and Helmholtz equation
- Plane wave propagation
- Power flow density
- Electromagnetic field polarization: linear, circular, and elliptical

Reflection and Refraction at Planar Interfaces (6 hours)

- Reflection and refraction at planar boundaries
- Phase Matching
- TE and TM polarizations
- Propagating, surface, and evanescent waves
- Brewster angle, critical angle, total internal reflection
- Reflection/refraction in multi-layered media
- Quarter-wave stack and applications in thin film coatings

Electromagnetic Propagation in Anisotropic Media (6 hours)

- Dielectric tensor classification of anisotropic media
- Dispersion relation and light propagation in uniaxial and biaxial media
- Power flow in anisotropic media
- Index ellipsoid
- Refraction and reflection at anisotropic interface
- Jones's calculus and retardation plates

Gaussian Beam Propagation (4.5 hours)

- Scalar wave equation approximation
- Propagation of Gaussian beams and beam divergence
- Limitation of the paraxial approximation
- Transformation of Gaussian beams and the ABCD bilinear transformation
- Applications to simple resonators
- Plane wave decomposition for finite beam propagation

Optical Propagation in Periodic Media (3 hours)

- Periodic field spatial harmonics
- Generalized phased matching condition and the grating equation
- Propagation and evanescent diffracted orders