



## Syllabus – Elective Course

Course title:

Energy Transition and Renewable Energies

Credits:

6 ECTS credits

Teaching language:

English

Target students:

Undergraduate students from all study areas with an interest in/who would like to learn renewable energies.

Teacher in charge of the course:

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### COURSE PRESENTATION

Prerequisite:

To take this course, the students should have a good university level and should normally have completed at least one semester at university. They must have some ability to work as a group and be able to communicate easily in English at a standard university level. In other respects, the course is intended to serve a mix of profiles and learning backgrounds for a more diverse international learning experience.

Content:

This course will provide students with fundamentals of energy and an overview of renewable energies and their applications.

Topics to be covered will normally include:

- Fundamentals of Energy.
- Energy transition and Renewable Energy Sources.
- Photovoltaic installation.
- Solar Thermal Energy Systems.
- Wind Energy Systems.
- Biomass and other sources.
- LCC and LCA of renewable energy sources.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the students should be able to:

- Assess renewable sources potentials.
- Evaluate the load of a building or a city.



- Choose the adequate source of energy according to the situation and to the load.
- Model, simulate, control and correctly connect an assembly of a wind turbine chain or a photovoltaic chain.
- Design of a standalone or a grid connected renewable energy system.
- Being able to tackle the issues related to renewable energy systems.
- Being able to make the difference between solar thermal energy and solar photovoltaic energy.
- Being able to make a technological survey and to innovate.
- To read and analyze the technical manual of a photovoltaic panel or a wind turbine.
- To be able to assess the economic and ecologic cost of a renewable energy based solution
- Use of simulation tools: HOMER energy.

## WORKLOAD

French contact hours = 60 minutes (in some countries/institutions, 1 contact hour = 45-50 minutes)

Form	Number of hours	Comments
Face-to-face, in-class, on-site learning	20 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Chapter 1: Fundamentals of Energy (3h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 2: Energy transition and Renewable Energy Sources (3h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 3: Photovoltaic installation (3h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 4: Solar Thermal Energy Systems (3h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 5: Wind Energy Systems (3h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 6: Biomass and other sources (2h).</li> <li>■ Chapter 7: LCC and LCA of renewable energy sources (3h).</li> </ul>
Tutorials and exercises	5 hours	
Practical labs	9 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Practical lab 1: Study of a photovoltaic system (3h).</li> <li>■ Practical lab 2: Estimation of wind turbine energy (3h).</li> <li>■ Practical lab 3: Dimensioning of a hybrid system Photovoltaic-Wind Turbine Connected to the Network with the HOMER software (3h).</li> </ul>
Visits	6 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Site visit 1 (3h).</li> <li>■ Site visit 2 (3h).</li> </ul>
Approximate personal work / homework	40 hours	
Student total workload	<b>80 hours</b>	

## EDUCATIONAL METHODS

Lecture, discussion, presentations, sharing of experiences, group work, guided visits, on-site education, tutorials, practical labs, mini projects.



## RESOURCES

All course materials will be supplied in class. References may be made to the following resources:

- Le Manifeste négaWatt “En route pour la transition énergétique !” Coédition Actes Sud/Association négaWatt - Collection : Babel.
- L'autonomie énergétique : Une nouvelle politique pour les énergies renouvelables »- Hermann Scheer – Actes sud.
- « déchiffrer l'énergie » - Benjamin Dessus – Edition Belin.
- Robyns, B., François, B., Davigny, A., Sprooten, J., & Henneon, A, Electricity production from renewables energies. Book, Wiley, 2012.
- Dhaker Abbes, Gérard Champenois, André Martinez, Benoit Robyns, Modeling and simulation of a photovoltaic system: An advanced synthetic study, Research paper, 3d International Conference on Systems and Control (ICSC13), 29 to October 31, 2013, in Algiers, Algeria.
- ABBES, Dhaker, MARTINEZ, André, et CHAMPENOIS, Gérard. Life cycle cost, embodied energy and loss of power supply probability for the optimal design of hybrid power systems. Mathematics and Computers in Simulation, 2014, vol. 98, p. 46-62.
- Messenger, Roger, and Amir Abtahi. Photovoltaic systems engineering. CRC press, 2017.
- ABBES, Dhaker. Contribution au dimensionnement et à l'optimisation des systèmes hybrides éoliens-photovoltaïques avec batteries pour l'habitat résidentiel autonome. 2012. Thèse de doctorat. Ph. D. thesis, Université de Poitiers.
- Ewald F. Fuchs | Mohammad A.S. Masoum, Power Conversion of Renewable Energy Systems, Book, ISBN 978-1-4419-7978-0 e-ISBN 978-1-4419-7979-7, DOI 10.1007/978-1-4419-7979-7, Springer New York Dordrecht Heidelberg London.

## ASSESSMENT

Form	Number	Comments
<b>Continuous assessment</b> (20%)	2	Quizzes, Presentations, Exercises.
<b>Final exam</b> (60%)	1	Examination covering all aspects of course.
<b>Practical labs</b> (20%)	3	Participation on and results of practical labs.

*This syllabus is based on information available at the time of publication (January 2025). Changes may occur.*

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