



**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# Fundamentals of Medical Imaging

## BIOMEDE 5170

**Credit Hours:**

3.00 - 3.00

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**Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

Graduate (5000-8000 level)

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**Course Components:**

Lecture

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**Course Description:**

Fundamentals of mathematical and physical principles and signals and systems concepts involved in medical imaging modalities of x-ray, computed tomography, magnetic resonance and ultrasound.

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**Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: Math 2177, or Grad standing, or permission of instructor.

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**Course Goals / Objectives:**

- 1. Students will be able to apply the fundamentals of mathematical techniques (convolution and Fourier theory) to represent signals and systems (a:2, e:1).
  - 2. Students will be able to describe the physical principals, applications and limitations of bioimaging modalities (a:2, e:1 i:1, l:1).
  - 3. Students will be able to identify (MRI, CT, PET, ultrasound) bioimaging instrumentation, interpret images and explain differences in imaging equipments for small animal vs. clinical applications (d:2, g:1, m:1).
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**Course Topics:**

- Module 1: Mathematical representation of signals and systems: fourier transform and convolutions, concepts of resolution, contrast, image quality.
  - Module 2: X-ray radiography: X-ray production, interaction, detection, Beer-Lambert law, radiation safety
  - Module 3: CT and nuclear imaging: radon transform and backprojection, radionucleotides, SPECT/PET
  - Module 4: Ultrasound: acoustic waves production, interaction, detection, A, B, C, M-modes, Doppler ultrasound.
  - Module 5: MRI: nuclear spin, T1 and T2 relaxation, gradients, spin-echo and inversion recovery pulse sequences.
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**Designation:**

Elective