



**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# Microwave Electronics

## ECE 5027

**Credit Hours:**

4.00

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**Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

Graduate (5000-8000 level)

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**Course Components:**

Lecture

Lab

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**Course Description:**

Design principles of microwave transistor amplifiers and oscillators; low-noise, power and broadband amplifiers; linearization; computer-aided design; microstrip realizations and testing in the laboratory.

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**Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: 3020 (323), and enrollment in ECE major; or Grad standing in Engineering, Biological Science, or Math and Physical Sciences.

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**Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Give the student a comprehensive introduction to the design microwave amplifier and oscillator circuits
  - Introduce the student to the concepts of nonlinear RF measurements, modeling and circuit design
  - Introduce the use of CAD tools to verify the microwave amplifier and oscillator designed, account for real world implementation effects, and optimize the circuits designed
  - Expose the students to the measurements of amplifiers and oscillators at microwave frequencies using a network analyzer, a noise meter, a spectrum analyzer and a vector signal analyzer
  - Involve the students in a team oriented design project where they design, fabricate, and test a microwave amplifier or oscillator circuits and present their results to the class
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**Course Topics:**

- Linear and nonlinear representations of active devices
  - Matching networks and signal flow graphs
  - Microwave transistor amplifier design theory
  - Noise, broadband, and high-power design methods
  - Microwave transistor oscillator design
  - Nonlinear RF measurement, modeling and circuit design
  - Linearization of amplifiers and modulators
  - Design, simulation, fabrication and testing a microwave electronic circuit
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**Designation:**

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