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#### 1. Course Number and Course Title:

COE 434 – Wireless and Mobile Networks

### 2. Credit Hours:

3 - 0 - 3

# 3. Prerequisites and/or Co-Requisites:

Prerequisite: COE 370 (Communications Networks) or COE 371 (Computer Networks I)

### 4. Name and Contact Information of Instructor:

Name: Dr. Rana E. Ahmed

## 5. Course Description (Catalog Description):

Covers wireless communications and networks, location management, routing in ad hoc wireless network, file systems issues and caching strategies.

# 6. Textbook and other Supplemental Material:

Textbook:

• D. Agrawal, and Q. Zeng, *Introduction to Wireless and Mobile System*, 4th edition, Cengage Learning, 2016.

Other supplemental material:

• C. Beard and W. Stallings, Wireless Communications Networks and Systems, 2016, Pearson.

# 7. Course Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Apply the RF signal propagation principles to find the path loss and fade margin in the system
- 2. Analyze major communication technologies, such as 802.11, Bluetooth, Wireless Sensor Networks, to support mobile computing
- 3. Analyze the working of cellular technologies and the associated access technologies
- 4. Analyze various techniques used for mobile data management, data broadcast, and location management in mobile environment
- 5. Analyze the working of ad hoc and wireless sensor networks, and the associated routing protocols
- 6. Explain the principles and applications of near field communication, vehicular area networks and wireless positioning technologies.
- 7. Analyze the mobile file systems and caching techniques
- 8. Learn and research about latest trends in wireless and mobile networks and their applications.

## 8. Teaching and Learning Methodologies:

Methods include lectures, problem-based learning, class discussions, and group project report and presentation. Students learning is assessed via in-class quizzes, exams, homework, and quality of project report and presentation.

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# 9. Course Topics and Schedule:

Topic/Activity	Weeks
RF Signal Propagation; Path Loss; Fading; Interference	Week 1
Link Budget Calculations; Antennas; MIMO	Week 2
Wireless Multiple Access; CSMA/CA; OFDMA	Week 3
Cellular Networks; 3G	Week 4
LTE; LTE-A; 5G	Week 5
Traffic Engineering	Week 6
Wireless LANs; Midterm I	Week 7
Ad hoc and wireless sensor networks	Week 8
Routing Protocols in Ad hoc networks	Week 9
Bluetooth	Week 10
ZigBee	Week 11
Mobility Management, File system and Caching; Midterm II	Week 12
Wireless Location Management; GPS	Week 13
Vehicular area networks; Near Field Communications (NFC)	Week 14
Review	Week 15
Final Exam	Week 16