

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

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Office of the Registrar  
FORM 40G REV. 11/09

REQUEST FOR ADDITION, EXPIRATION,  
OR REVISION OF A GRADUATE COURSE  
(50000-60000 LEVEL)

*EFD 30-09*

Graduate Council Doc. No. 10-22a

DEPARTMENT School of Aeronautics and Astronautics

EFFECTIVE SESSION Spring 2011

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**PROPOSED:**

**EXISTING:**

**TERMS OFFERED**

Check All That Apply:

Subject Abbreviation AAE

Subject Abbreviation \_\_\_\_\_

Summer  Fall  Spring

Course Number 56000

Course Number \_\_\_\_\_

**CAMPUS(ES) INVOLVED**

Long Title System-of-Systems Modeling and Analysis

Calumet  N. Central  
 Cont Ed  Tech Statewide  
 Ft. Wayne  W. Lafayette  
 Indianapolis

Short Title System-of-Sys. Model. & Analy. Anlys

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**CREDIT TYPE**

**COURSE ATTRIBUTES: Check All That Apply**

1. Fixed Credit: Cr. Hrs. 3
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 Minimum Cr. Hrs. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Equivalent Credit: Yes  No
4. Thesis Credit: Yes  No

1. Pass/Not Pass Only
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3. Repeatable   
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5. Special Fees

6. Registration Approval Type  
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8. Honors
9. Full Time Privilege
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Schedule Type	Minutes Per Mta 75	Meetings Per Week 2	Weeks Offered 15	% of Credit Allocated
Lecture				
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**Cross-Listed Courses**

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Professor DeLaurentis.

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<i>J. White</i> 4/16/10 West Lafayette Department Head _____ Date _____	<i>W. L. ...</i> West Lafayette College/School Dean _____ Date _____	<i>...</i> 10/25/10 Graduate Council Secretary _____ Date _____
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Engineering Faculty Document 30-09  
Date: December 3, 2008

TO: Faculty of the College of Engineering  
FROM: Faculty of the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics  
SUBJECT: New Graduate Course, AAE 56000 System of Systems Modeling and Analysis

The Faculty of the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics has approved the new course listed below. This action is now submitted to the Engineering Faculty with a recommendation for approval.

**AAE 56000 System-of-Systems Modeling and Analysis**

Sem. 2, Class 3, cr. 3.

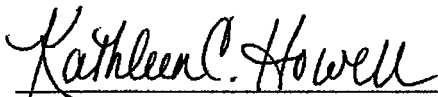
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**Reason:**

Over the last decade there has been substantial growth in the recognition of system-of-systems (SoS) as a distinctive class of design problems. Many civil and defense applications are being developed (either implicitly or explicitly) using the SoS framework. The technical background required for research or development in these areas spans several traditional fields, including systems engineering, complexity science, network theory, agent-base simulations, robust control, and optimization. This course introduces students to the integration of these different areas into a cohesive approach for tackling SoS problems. This course was taught as AAE590K for three terms in Spring 06, 07, and 08 with enrollments of between 27, 27, and 32 respectively (the most recent term's number including 10 EPE distance students). Though a majority of the enrollment has come from AAE, a substantial portion has consisted of students outside of AAE (primarily from other engineering disciplines).



Kathleen C. Howell, Interim Head

Hsu Lo Professor of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering  
School of Aeronautics and Astronautics

APPROVED FOR THE FACULTY  
OF THE SCHOOLS OF ENGINEERING  
BY THE ENGINEERING  
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

ECC Minutes #10

Date 12/7/09

Chairman ECC R. Ciple

## AAE 560 System-of-Systems Modeling and Analysis

- **Course Instructor:** Daniel DeLaurentis

- **Course Description:**

This course is an introduction to modeling and analysis techniques for system-of-systems (SoS) problems in engineering. The primary focus is on generating in students the ability for understanding, modeling, and analyzing SoS problems, which consist of multiple, heterogeneous, distributed systems embedded in networks at multiple levels that evolve over time. These problems are often large-scale and interdisciplinary, involving systems and behaviors found in diverse fields such as engineering, economics, social science, policy, etc. The course presents recent developments in addressing system-of-systems problems, describes criteria, lexicon, and analysis methodology for their study, and, through semester-long team projects, allows students to explore the many unknowns that persist in this emerging field. The major subjects covered are: distinguishing traits of and behaviors of SoS problems, complexity and complex adaptive systems, agent-based modeling, modern network theory and analysis tools, modeling for decision-making, and exploratory modeling. Applications for projects typically include national transportation systems, space exploration endeavors, and defense challenges, though others are possible in consultation with instructor. The audiences for this course are beginning graduate students or advanced undergraduates from any School of Engineering, other technical disciplines (especially Physics and Mathematics), or certain students in Management. Some background in probability and statistics (e.g. random variables, probability density and distributions, sampling methods) is expected.

- **Course outline:**

**Introduction and Overview** What does the literature say about distinct features of SoS problems; Distinguishing traits and examples; Outline of the remainder of the course. [1 week]

**Backdrop: Systems Engineering** Basic goals and processes for systems engineering; new challenges brought by SoS problems, and the need for a system-of-systems engineering (SoSE). [1 week]

**Lineage: Modeling for Complex Adaptive Systems** Definitions for complexity; Review of major threads of complex systems modeling; Basics of chaotic systems, adaptive systems, nonlinear systems; Role of observer perspectives in designing actions. [1 week]

**A Model for SoSE** A three-phase framework, including definition phase, abstraction phase, and implementation phase is introduced and discussed. [2 weeks]

**Background Material: Probability & Statistics** Probability density and distributions; Expected value and moments; Use of random variables for uncertainty analysis; Power laws. [1 week]

**Agent-Based Modeling** Goals, objectives, applications, history, and limitations of ABM; Definitions of agents; Agent logic, starting from simple finite state machine; advanced agent models, including learning [3 weeks]

**Network Theory** Elementary definitions and constructs from graph theory; The standard random graph model and the failure of this model to capture real world networks; network measures (degree, clustering coefficient, centrality, assortativity); degree distributions and power law vs. exponential distributions. Tools for network analysis [3 weeks]

**Exploratory Modeling** Pitfalls in direct modeling of uncertainty; the use of a plausible ensemble of scenarios to generate outcomes; measures of regret and confidence; computational modeling under deep uncertainty. [1 week]

**Validation and Verification** Definitions, approaches, and tools for verification and validation in modeling & simulation of complex adaptive systems and SoS problems. [1 week]

**Advanced Topics** Dynamic-decision making algorithms, motivated by models such as Boyd's OODA loop and Hofstadter's Strange Loops; the challenges of multi-stakeholder optimization and the role of game theory models. [1 week]

**Total = 15 weeks**

- **Text:** *None*. However, key technical papers are assigned reading throughout the semester. An extensive set of lecture slides are also made available to students.
- **Grading:** Homework 35%; Exams 25%; Project 40%

**Supporting Document for a New Graduate  
Course**

**To:** Purdue University Graduate Council

**From:** Faculty Member: Daniel DeLaurentis  
Department: School of Aeronautics & Astronautics  
Campus: West Lafayette, IN

**Date:** 11/16/2009

**Subject:** Proposal for New Graduate Course-Documentation  
Required by the Graduate Council to Accompany  
Registrar's Form 40G

For Reviewer's comments only  
(Select One)

Reviewer:

Comments:

**Contact for information if  
questions arise:**

Name: Terri Moore  
Phone Number: 43006  
E-mail: terri@purdue.edu  
Campus Address: Armstrong Hall Rm #3315

Course Subject Abbreviation and Number: AAE 56000

Course Title: System-of-Systems Modeling and Analysis

**A. Justification for the Course:**

- Provide a complete and detailed explanation of the need for the course (e. g., in the preparation of students, in providing new knowledge/training in one or more topics, in meeting degree requirements, etc.), how the course contributes to existing fields of study and/or areas of specialization, and how the course relates to other graduate courses offered by the department, other departments, or interdisciplinary programs.
- Justify the level of the proposed graduate course (50000- or 60000-level) including statements on, but not limited to: (1) the target audience, including the anticipated number of undergraduate and graduate students who will enroll in the course; and (2) the rigor of the course.

**B. Learning Outcomes and Method of Evaluation or Assessment:**

- Describe the course objectives and student learning outcomes that address the objectives (i.e., knowledge, communication, critical thinking, ethical research, etc.).
- Describe the methods of evaluation or assessment of student learning outcomes. (Include evidence for both direct and indirect methods.)
- Grading criteria (select from dropdown box); include a statement describing the criteria that will be used to assess students and how the final grade will be determined.

Criteria

- Identify the method(s) of instruction (select from dropdown box) and describe how the methods promote the likely success of the desired student learning outcomes.

**Method of Instruction**

**C. Prerequisite(s):**

- List prerequisite courses by subject abbreviation, number, and title.
- List other prerequisites and/or experiences/background required. If no prerequisites are indicated, provide an explanation for their absence.

**D. Course Instructor(s):**

- Provide the name, rank, and department/program affiliation of the instructor(s).
- Is the instructor currently a member of the Graduate Faculty? — Yes — No  
(If the answer is no, indicate when it is expected that a request will be submitted.)

**E. Course Outline:**

- Provide an outline of topics to be covered and indicate the relative amount of time or emphasis devoted to each topic. If laboratory or field experiences are used to supplement a lecture course, explain the value of the experience(s) to enhance the quality of the course and student learning. For special topics courses, include a sample outline of a course that would be offered under the proposed course.

**F. Reading List (including course text):**

- A primary reading list or bibliography should be limited to material the students will be required to read in order to successfully complete the course. It should not be a compilation of general reference material.
- A secondary reading list or bibliography should include material students may use as background information.

**G. Library Resources**

- Describe the library resources that are currently available or the resources needed to support this proposed course.

**H. Example of a Course Syllabus** (While not a necessary component of this supporting document, an example of a course syllabus is available, for information, by clicking on the link below, which goes to the *Graduate School's Policies and Procedures Manual for Administering Graduate Student Programs*. See Appendix K.)

[http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/downloads/Graduate School Policies and Procedures Manual.pdf](http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/downloads/Graduate_School_Policies_and_Procedures_Manual.pdf)



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The rigor of the course is modulate such that the target audiences for this course are beginning graduate students or advanced undergraduates from any School of Engineering, other technical disciplines (especially Physics and Mathematics), or certain students in Management. The goal has been for 75% of enrollees or greater to be graduate level. Though a majority of the enrollment may come from AAE, a substantial portion will likely consist of students outside of AAE (primarily from other engineering disciplines).

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Student learning outcomes are assessed via class participation, homework, exams, and team-based projects. Applications for projects typically include national transportation systems, space exploration endeavors, and defense challenges, though others are possible in consultation with instructor.

Grading Criteria: Homework 30%; Mid-term Exam 25%; Class Project 40%

The method of instruction is lecture-based.

**C. Prerequisites**

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**D. Course Instructor**

Daniel DeLaurentis, Assistant professor, Aeronautics and Astronautics  
Is the instructor a member of the Graduate faculty? YES

**E. Course Outline**

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**F. Reading List**

Primary:

- Newman, M., "The structure and function of complex networks," *SIAM Review*, Vol. 45, 2003, pp. 167-256.

- DeLaurentis, D. A., and Callaway, R. K., "A System-of-Systems Perspective for Public Policy Decision," *Review of Policy Research*, Vol. 21, Issue 6, November 2004, pp. 829-837.
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- Maier, M. "Architecting principles for system-of-systems", *Systems Engineering* Vol. 1, No. 4, 1998, pp. 267-284

**G. Library Resources**

None

**H. Syllabus (not required)**

