**Solar Energy Meteorology**

**Course Description** :

This course deals with the subjects that take the physical and applied side of the solar energy, especially the relationship between the atmosphere and solar radiation by using the mathematical models that control the angle of solar radiation fall on different surfaces and the methods of solar radiation measurement.

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| **Week** | **Topes Covered** |
| **1** | **The Sun as a Radiation Source** : Radiation Laws , Radiant Flux Emitted by the Sun, Solar Constant, Total Solar Radiant Flux Received by the Earth , Extraterrestrial Radiation |
| **2** | **Solar Radiation:** the physics of solar Radiation, Radiant Flux Emitted by the Sun, Solar Constant, Total Solar Radiant Flux Received by the Earth, Extraterrestrial Radiation. |
| **3** | **Solar Geometry**: Solar Time, Position of the Sun, Example: Extraterrestrial Radiation on a Horizontal Surface |
| **4** | **Interaction of Solar Radiation with Atmosphere**: Relative Air Mass, Spectral Irradiance, Clearness Index ,Clear Sky Irradiance, Cloudy Sky Irradiance, Radiance Distribution on the Sky Hemisphere |
| **5** | **Radiation Climatology**: Global mean energy budget of the earth-atmosphere system, Global distribution of annual average solar radiation, Average daily extraterrestrial radiation on a horizontal surface as function of season  and latitude |
| **6** | **Solar Irradiance Modeling**: Direct Radiation Component, Ground-Reflected Radiation Component.: Diffuse Radiation Component, Diffuse Irradiance Models for Tilted Surfaces, Diffuse Fraction Models. |
| **7** | **Statistical Properties of Solar Radiation**: Statistical Variables, Generation of Synthetic Radiation Sequences |
| **8** | **First Exam** |
| **9** | **Solar Radiation Measurements:** Radiation Detectors, Field Instruments:(Global Radiation, Direct Radiation, Diffuse Radiation)**.** |
| **10** | **Solar Radiation Measurements:** Special Measurements:(Ultraviolet Radiation, Infrared Radiation, Spectral Radiation,Sunshine Duration, Atmospheric Turbidity, Surface Albedo). |
| **11** | **Satellite Data for Solar Resource Assessment** |
| **12** | **Solar energy applications:** Passive Solar Energy systems, active Solar Energy systems. |
| **13** | **Major Uses of Solar Energy I:** Daylight, Space Heating, Heating Water, water desalination, Drying Agricultural Products. |
| **14** | **Major Uses of Solar Energy II:** Generating Electrical Power: (Concentrating Solar Power, Photovoltaic panels). |
| **15** | **Second Exam** |

**Text book:**

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