

AUDI 22293- Instrumentation for Audiology

Status	Optional (A)
No of Hours	45 hours
No of Credits	3
Learning Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and describe basic components of essential instrumentation in the field of audiology and its operation • Explain the basics of acoustics related to the field of audiology • Identifying the basic aspects of maintenance, care and calibration of equipment used in the field of audiology
Methods of Teaching and Learning	Lectures, non-assessed practicals
Module content	<p>Unit 1 : Introduction to electronic devices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic principle of operation and working of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resisters, potentiometers, capacitors, inductors and transformers - Semiconductor diodes and transistors • Introduction to linear and digital integrated circuits • DC power supply: Block diagram of a DC power supply, description and working of each block • AC power supply: AC voltage stabilizers-manual, automatic and servo controlled • UPS, CVT and invertors • Introduction to electronic instrumentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sensors, transducers and electrodes - Filters and preamplifiers - Power amplifiers and oscillators <p>Unit 2: Fundamentals of acoustics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physics of sound <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nature and propagation of sound - Sound characteristics such as frequency and intensity - Wavelength and loudness – sone and phone - Sound pressure level, sound power level • Quality and properties of sound <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequency response and its control, harmonic structure - Reflection, absorption, acoustic impedance, reverberation • Acoustic treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choosing the right acoustics - Absorption coefficient, Sabine’s formula • Sound treatment, reproduction and recording <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Microphones – carbon, piezoelectric, moving coil, condenser - Omnidirectional and unidirectional

- Loudspeaker
- Recording and reproduction

Unit 3: Introduction to computers and digital electronics

- Fundamentals of digital electronics
 - Binary number system, hex code, bit, byte
- Introduction to computers
 - Block diagram of a computer
 - Hardware, software, memory devices, and other peripherals
 - Specifications of a personal computer
 - Care and preventive maintenance of computers and peripherals

Unit 4: Overview of instruments used in audiology

- Hearing aids
- Audiometer
- Immittance meters
- Induction loop meters
- OAE analyzer
- Safety aspects, care and preventive maintenance of biomedical instruments

Unit 5

- Introduction to digital signal processing
- Need for DSP and its advantages over ASP
- Analog to digital and digital to analog convertors
- Application of DSP in hearing aids

Assessment

SEQ 100% (3 hrs)