

# Course Overview, Objective, Approach, and Details



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# Section Overview

👉 This section will cover:

- 👉 Course Overview
- 👉 Course Objectives
- 👉 Course Approach
- 👉 Course Details

# Course Overview

- ✚ This course will address the following topics:
  - ✚ High level overview of Systems Engineering
  - ✚ Introduction to Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)
  - ✚ Introduction to the OMG Systems Modeling Language (OMG SysML™)
  - ✚ Introduction to the SysML Tool – Sparx Enterprise Architect (EA™)
  - ✚ Applying Sparx EA™ to modeling of sample systems

# Course Overview

📌 The course is intended for:

📌 Associate, Senior, and Principal Professional staff interested in learning about MBSE and SysML, and in investigating the possible use of MBSE with SysML tools in systems engineering and architecting projects.

📌 Assumptions

📌 Systems Engineering background

📌 No prior SysML or UML knowledge required or assumed

# Course Overview

## Course Text:

 “A Practical Guide to SysML: The Systems Modeling Language”;  
Friedenthal, Moore, and Steiner; 2009, Elsevier, Inc.

## Software:

 Visual Paradigm Community Edition, version 17.2  
with SysML

# Course Objective

📌 Primary course objective is:

📌 Gain an understanding of the use of SysML and SysML tools to develop systems models and artifacts in support of MBSE

# What's Covered?

✚ Three things you need to learn about modeling:

✚ Language

✚ Tool

✚ Methodology

✚ Focus of this course is:

✚ Language (SysML)

✚ Various Methods available

✚ Traditional structured analysis

✚ Object-oriented

# Course Approach

- ✚ The course will focus on providing the student with a working knowledge of MBSE and its value in the overall development of systems.
- ✚ Each class will include PowerPoint-based lectures and class discussions on SysML concepts.
- ✚ Each class will also include hands-on training in the basic use of MBSE with the SysML tool (Visual Paradigm)



# Course Schedule

Section	Hour	Topic	Chap
1	1&2	Course Overview, Systems Engineering Overview, Model Based Systems Engineering Overview, and SysML Overview	1, 2, 3
2	1&2	Organizing the Model with Packages and EA Basics	5
3	1&2	Modeling Functionality with Use Cases	11
4	1&2	Modeling Requirements and their Relationships	12
5	1&2	Modeling Structure with Blocks (Block Definition Diagrams)	6
6	1&2	Modeling Structure with Blocks (Internal Block Diagrams)	6
7	1&2	Modeling Flow-Based Behavior with Activities	8
8	1&2	Modeling Event-Based Behavior with State Machines	10
9	1&2	Modeling Message-Based Behavior with Interactions	9
10	1&2	Modeling Constraints with Parametrics	7
11	1&2	Modeling Cross-Cutting Relationships with Allocations	13

# Typical Section Structure

- 📌 Homework Review
- 📌 Introduction
  - 📌 Motivation for a particular diagram
- 📌 Language Concepts
  - 📌 Diagram Elements (textbook)
- 📌 Tool Usage
  - 📌 Using Enterprise Architect to Model a particular diagram type
- 📌 Modeling Example (In-Class Project)
  - 📌 Parking Garage Gate
- 📌 Homework Assignment

# Homework

- ✚ Homework will include assigned readings from the course text, as well as hands-on development of MBSE artifacts using Sparx EA
- ✚ Two Systems to Model
  - ✚ Alarm Clock Radio
  - ✚ Coke Machine
- ✚ Why?
  - ✚ Familiarity
  - ✚ Relatively Simple Systems
  - ✚ Compare and Contrast
  - ✚ Practice
- ✚ Groups
  - ✚ Form Group Homework teams of 3-5 students/team

# Grading

📌 Course is Pass/Fail

📌 No Tests

📌 Grades are based solely on Homework and Class Participation

# Course Philosophy

- ✚ Modeling - there is no 'one' right answer
- ✚ Need to practice to learn
- ✚ Essential vs Complete Information
  - ✚ Focus of course is on what's essential
  - ✚ Lots of information in the book is not covered
    - ✚ Not enough time
    - ✚ Too much detail for an Intro course
- ✚ Goal - Time Savings
  - ✚ Discerning the basics of SysML
  - ✚ Learning the basics of using the EA Tool

# Notes

- ✚ Remote students may want to print out slides prior to each class
  - ✚ In case there are connectivity issues
- ✚ Course SharePoint site:
  - ✚ Need OUTER account
  - ✚ Course lecture slides will be posted
  - ✚ <https://partners.jhuapl.edu/Projects/SEP2009MBSE/default.aspx>
- ✚ If you miss class:
  - ✚ Classes will be recorded in MeetingPlace
  - ✚ Lecture Slides will be available on SharePoint site

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- ✚ **Course Material Peer Review**
  - ✚ All course material was presented at INCOSE OOSEM Working Group meetings for review and comment
  - ✚ INCOSE OOSEM Working Group consists of subject-matter experts with numerous years of experience in Systems and Software Engineering, MBSE, UML, and SysML
    - ✚ Including textbook co-author (Sandy Friedenthal)
  - ✚ Course material was reviewed incrementally by the Working Group
    - ✚ Course Outline
    - ✚ Section Development
    - ✚ Contributions to post-course improvements

# Introductions

- 👤 **Name and Department**
- 👤 **Brief Background**
  - 👤 **Technical focus area**
  - 👤 **UML Experience**
  - 👤 **SysML Experience**
  - 👤 **Enterprise Architect Experience**