



# NPRE 498: PROBABILISTIC RISK ASSESSMENT

## CREDIT

3 undergraduate hours / 4 graduate hours

## PREREQUISITES

Junior, senior, or graduate standing in any engineering discipline, or consent of instructor

(This course is a prerequisite for a 500-level advanced risk analysis course that is offered every Fall)

## INTRODUCTION

This course surveys multidisciplinary issues of risk, safety, and reliability of complex systems. It encompasses state-of-the-art methodologies in Probabilistic Risk Assessment. Topics include:

- Probability and Statistics for Risk Analysis
- Safety and Reliability Modeling
- Systematic Risk Scenario Modeling
- Availability Modeling for Repairable Systems
- Bayesian Updating
- Uncertainty propagation
- Human Error Modeling in Risk Analysis
- Failure Causal Modeling
- Risk Importance Ranking
- Data Analytics
- Probabilistic Physics of Failure
- Risk-Informed Decision Making & Regulation

**\*Software codes for risk analysis, uncertainty treatment, and Bayesian analysis will be utilized.**

## MEETING SCHEDULE & LOCATION

Tu. and Th. 12:30 - 1:50pm; Spring 2016  
106B6 Engineering Hall

## GRADING

- Undergraduate: Homework (45%), Midterm exam (15%), Final exam (40%), Term Project (optional; for extra credit).
- Graduate: Homework (35%), Midterm exam (15%), Final exam (35%), Term project (15%).

## READING MATERIALS

- Mohammad Modarres, Mark Kaminskiy, and Vasiliy Krivtsov, "Reliability Engineering and Risk Analysis-A Practical Guide (2nd edition)", CRC Press Taylor & Francis Group, 2010.
- A set of notes, slides, reports, and articles

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