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ENERGY 2130 Energy, Environment, and Society 3 Credits
The course will provide the student with an overview of issues related to energy and renewable energy, including usage trends, historical patterns, social responses to energy changes, economic factors, market forces, geographical concerns, the various forms and sources of energy including renewable energy and bio-energy, how these sources may affect the environment, and recent developments in energy policies in the U.S. and the world. Energy, power, energy sources as well as usage patterns by societies over history will be presented. Field trips may be required in this course.
Components: Class
GE: Social Sciences
Prereqs/Coreqs: C: ENGLISH 1130
Typically Offered: Fall/Spring

ENERGY 2340 Fundamentals of Energy Sources 4 Credits
Traditional, renewable, and bio-energy sources and their characteristics will be studied. Advantages and disadvantages of existing and future energy sources will be explored along with the economic and environmental impact of various energy sources including fossil fuels, wind, photovoltaic, geothermal, and biofuels. Field trips may be required for this course.
Components: Laboratory, Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2130
Typically Offered: Spring

ENERGY 3130 Sustainability: Ecology, Resources and Practice 3 Credits
Examination of sustainability, its different meaning in different contexts, the idea of long-term sustainability as the use of resources without compromising the ability of future generations to use those resources, the relationship between energy water resources and consumption; how industrial practices affect the sustainability of ecological systems; population dynamics, demographic trends, energy trends, peak oil, and true energy and resource usage will be explored. Practical applications are examined.
Components: Class
Typically Offered: Fall

ENERGY 3230 Biorenewable Resources 3 Credits
History of Biorenewable resource utilization. Fundamental principles of thermodynamics and chemistry as applied to bioenergy and biorenewable resources including discussion of biopolymer structure and routing of these biopolymers to dedicated energy production models. Current and projected biorenewable resource base, including waste materials and dedicated energy crops. Coverage of genetic efforts to engineer biomass possessing higher energy densities and yields. Overview of production practices of dedicated energy crops. Description of process heat, stationary power, fuels, chemicals, and fibers derived from biorenewable resources. Heat and power conversion processes including combustion, gasification, and anaerobic digestion. Environmental impacts, sustainability, and economics of biorenewable resource use.
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340 and CHEMSTRY 1050 or higher
Typically Offered: Spring

ENERGY 3330 Electrical Energy Systems and Energy Storage 3 Credits
Principles of electrical energy generation and transmission systems and electric grid. Single phase and three phase power systems including generators, transformers, and transmission lines. Single and three phase power and energy calculations. Basic electric power electronic converters as applied to grid integration of renewable energy systems. Electrical safety and major energy storage systems.
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340 and (PHYSICS 1450 or PHYSICS 2340)
Typically Offered: Fall

ENERGY 3430 Green Building Design 3 Credits
Students will study emerging delivery systems for high performance green buildings. The concept of integrated design is introduced together with emphasis on the main sustainable elements of the building including building site, water, energy, building construction, and Economics and Life-Cycle Costing Analysis. An overview provided on the different rating systems available including LEED, Green Globes, and other available international systems. Emphasis is given on the certification process of the USGBC Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design "LEED" systems as well as an introduction to energy modeling software.
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2130
Typically Offered: Spring
ENERGY 3580 Principles of Project Management and Sustainable Development 3 Credits
This is an upper division course that brings together business-minded students with STEM-minded students who are interested in project management, particularly understanding how sustainable development can be integrated with business models for selecting projects from a portfolio, and sustainable aspects related to project management. Includes the ten knowledge areas within the discipline of project management. Students also work in teams to analyze case studies for decision-making related to energy conservation and non-energy conservation projects.
Components: Class
Cross Offering: BUSADMIN 3580, ENERGY 3580
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340 or JR Standing in Business Administration major or Accounting major
Typically Offered: Spring

ENERGY 3830 Short Term Faculty-Led International Experience in Energy 3 Credits
The course is designed as a field experience that will take place in the specific country. Each course will provide students the opportunity to travel and learn in another country. The course will broaden student awareness on governmental, cultural, and societal issues in the country of travel as they relate to energy consumption, production and efficiency.
Components: Field Studies
GE: International Education
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: sophomore standing and 2.8 gpa
Typically Offered: All

ENERGY 3950 Renewable Energy Cooperative Education 2 Credits
Enhancement of the educational experience through the placement of a student with a business, industry, or institution under the direction of the director of renewable energy program. During co-op, the student is expected to be away from his/her studies at UWP and work for a company or institution for a semester.
Components: Field Studies
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340 and Sophomore standing
Typically Offered: Fall/Spring/Summer

ENERGY 3970 Renewable Energy Internship 1 Credit
Enhancement of the educational experience through the placement of a student with a business, industry, or institution under the direction of the director of renewable energy program. Internship is designed to provide experiential learning experience to the student during the summer period.
Components: Field Studies
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340 and Sophomore standing
Typically Offered: Summer

ENERGY 4130 Sustainability Policy and Practice 3 Credits
This course focuses on the development of sustainability best practices in businesses, projects, and ones personal lives; enhances the knowledge and practical skills of students in the area of integrating sustainable development in local and regional businesses and communities. Current government policies which promote as well as inhibit sustainable development at local, state, national, and international level will be presented. The course also provides opportunities for students to evaluate existing sustainability plans, develop plans and polices towards a more sustainable future, and implement such plans in their lives.
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 3130 or GEOGRPHY 3330
Typically Offered: Spring

ENERGY 4230 Biofuels 3 Credits
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 2340
Typically Offered: Fall

ENERGY 4330 Wind and Solar Systems Design 3 Credits
The electric power industry in the U.S. The solar resource. Photovoltaic (PV) materials. Electrical characteristics of PV cells, modules, and arrays. PV systems. Concentrating solar power systems. PV systems economics. Wind resources. Wind turbine technology and energy production. Wind farms. Wind power economics. Environmental impacts of wind and solar systems. Integration of renewable energy systems into power grid. Smart grid concepts.
Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 3330 or consent of instructor
Typically Offered: Fall
ENERGY 4430 Building Energy Management 3 Credits
Students will learn about the fundamentals and objectives of energy management for residential and commercial buildings. Topics include energy auditing, rate structures, economic evaluation, lifecycle costing, lighting efficiency improvement, HVAC optimization, control systems and computers, renewable energy usage, and water management. Students will also be introduced and work with widely used software application in the area of energy management including eQuest and BLCC (Building Life Cycle Costing).

Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 3430 and (GENENG 2820 or ACCTING 2020)
Typically Offered: Fall

ENERGY 4620 Instrumentation, Monitoring and Controls 2 Credits
This laboratory course will familiarize the students with systems used to monitor and control energy systems and building energy efficiency systems. Commonly used sensors, signal interfacing, measurement electronics, and various types of control devices will be used and tested. Building management systems and sensors will be explored. Computer and/or microcontroller based controls will be explored.

Components: Laboratory
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: ENERGY 3330, Senior standing, and (PHYSICS 1450 OR PHYSICS 2340)
Typically Offered: Spring

ENERGY 4920 Research or Design Project on Renewables 2 Credits
An open-ended comprehensive research or design project will be done on renewable energy, bio-energy, or bio-products by multi-disciplinary teams. Discussion and experiences in project management, team work, and ethics will be included. A written report and formal presentation are required.

Components: Laboratory
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: senior standing and (ENERGY3580 or being a student in the Renewable Energy minor)
Typically Offered: Fall

ENERGY 4980 Current Topics in Energy 1-3 Credits
In-depth study of a current topic of interest in energy area. The course aims to better prepare students in the Minor by providing the latest developments in the energy area and involving students in finding, assimilating and presenting current literature and research. Topics to be covered will be identified by the instructor at the time of the offering.

Components: Class
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: consent of instructor
Typically Offered: Occasional

ENERGY 4990 Independent Study 1-3 Credits
Advanced study or research in an area of specialization selected by student and approved by faculty member.

Components: Independent Study
Prereqs/Coreqs: P: consent of instructor
Typically Offered: Fall/Spring/Summer