

MICRO-502

**Aerial robotics**

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Microtechnics	MA2, MA4	Opt.
Robotics, Control and Intelligent Systems		Opt.
Robotics	MA2, MA4	Opt.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	4
Session	Summer
Semester	Spring
Exam	Written
Workload	120h
Weeks	14
<b>Hours</b>	<b>4 weekly</b>
Lecture	2 weekly
Exercises	1 weekly
Practical work	1 weekly
<b>Number of positions</b>	

**Summary**

The course provides an introduction to the design, control, and applications of aerial robots. Students will be able to translate theoretical concepts into practice by means of hands-on exercises with simulated drones.

**Learning Prerequisites****Required courses**

Mobile Robots

**Learning Outcomes**

By the end of the course, the student must be able to:

- Identify drone types
- Describe aerodynamic foundations of drones
- Compare different design types
- Analyze costs and benefits of specific design for specific mission
- Assess / Evaluate control methods for specific missions
- Implement control algorithm on drone
- Set objectives and design an action plan to reach those objectives.
- Describe applications and regulations
- Conduct an experiment with simulated and real drones

**Transversal skills**

- Set objectives and design an action plan to reach those objectives.
- Assess progress against the plan, and adapt the plan as appropriate.
- Make an oral presentation.

**Teaching methods**

Lectures, software exercises, exercises and project with real drones

**Expected student activities**

Attending classes and asking critical questions; performing exercises and answering possible quizzes within a week; form groups to assemble, program, and characterize mini-drone; write and present drone project report.

**Assessment methods**

Project assessment and written exam

**Supervision**

Office hours	No
Assistants	Yes
Forum	Yes

**Resources****Moodle Link**

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