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NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY AIR 231 – CIRCUITS AND CONTROL IV (4 CR.)

Course Description

Applies controls and control circuits to air conditioning and refrigeration, including components, pilot devices and controls, and circuit diagrams. Lecture 3 hours. Laboratory 3 hours. Total 6 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

To develop in the student an understanding of construction, function and operation of electric controls, to give him a good background in electric circuits, to aid him in the development of the skills and procedures needed to service, troubleshoot and diagnose electric controls and control systems.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisite: AIR 213

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Differentiate the types of total commercial and industrial control systems.
- 2. Install and operate controls used in commercial HVAC applications including pneumatic, electric, and electronic, including thermostats, pressure switches and other electronic control devices.
- 3. Install and operate controls used in residential air condition control systems, including split system air conditioning control systems and heat pump control systems.
- 4. Diagnose and troubleshoot controls used in commercial HVAC applications including pneumatic, electric, and electronic controls.
- 5. Perform the functions of facilities managers in the maintenance and operations of control systems.

Major Topics to be Included

- a) Control components
- b) Pilot devices
- c) Control circuit diagrams
- d) Schematic diagrams
- e) Care of equipment