

**EE6601****ADVANCED WAFER PROCESSING**

Acad Unit: 3  
Pre-requisite: NIL  
Effective: AY2014-2015 Semester 2  
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**OBJECTIVE**

1. To study deep sub-micron front end process technology
2. To study deep sub-micron back end process technology
3. To study characterization techniques relevant to deep sub-micron process technology

**LEARNING OUTCOME**

The students will be exposed to state-of-the-art advanced CMOS process technologies. They will also be exposed to future technology. They will also become more familiar with the relevant diagnostic techniques for process related issues.

**OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

Prior knowledge required: some basic knowledge of MOSFETs and CMOS technology  
Level of difficulty: medium  
Mathematics: simple

**CONTENT**

Dielectrics for CMOS technology. Chemical and mechanical polishing. Lithography and resist technology. Etching process and technology. Backend interconnect technology. Cleaning technology. Process integration. Metrology and analytical techniques

**ASSESSMENT SCHEME**

Continuous Assessment: 20%  
Final Examination: 80%

**TEXTBOOKS**

1. James D. Plummer, Michael D. Deal, and Peter B. Griffin “Silicon VLSI Technology: Fundamentals, Practice, and Modeling,” ISBN-13: 9780130850379, Prentice Hall, 2001.
2. C. Y. Chang and S. M. Sze, “ULSI Technology,” ISBN 9780071141055, 1996.

## REFERENCES

1. Gang He and Zhaoqi Sun (eds.), “High-k Gate Dielectrics for CMOS Technology”, ISBN 978-3-527-33032-4 - Wiley-VCH, Weinheim, 2012
2. Karen Reinhardt and Werner Kern (Editors), “Handbook of Silicon Wafer Cleaning Technology”, 2nd Edition, ISBN-13: 978-0815515548, William Andrew, 2008
3. David G. Seiler, Alain C. Diebold, T. J. Shaffner, Robert McDonald, Stefan Zollner (editors), “Characterization and Metrology for ULSI Technology 2003: International Conference on Characterization and Metrology for ULSI Technology, Austin, Texas 24-28 March 2003”, *Volume 683 of AIP CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS*, ISBN 0735401527, 9780735401525, American Institute of Physics, 2003