**Introduction to Renewable Energy Systems**

Do you want to save the planet with green power? This course covers the fundamentals of renewable energy systems and includes topics on energy storage, power generation, distribution, transportation, and consumption. We will start with an introduction to carbon emissions, climate change, and environmental pollution to emphasize the importance of sustainability.  Students will learn about solar, wind and ocean power generation. Grid connection and microgrids will be explained, as well as battery storage and fuel cell systems. Modern loads such as LED lights and electric vehicles will be discussed around the concept of demand side management. Students will gain skills on these emerging and keys areas of green power and will have the opportunity to consider several case studies/examples. The course includes some tutorials and demonstrations using simulation software and physical equipment. What could be more important? The global energy markets will be dominated by renewables in the future - the planet will depend on engineers with a strong background in green power.

**Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power**

How do we make renewable power generation happen? Renewable energy sources such as wind, solar, and ocean are intermittent and fluctuating. Changes in sun irradiance during the day, in wind speed variation, and changing ocean tidal velocity produce fluctuations in power generation. This course covers the fundamental of electricity and power conversion to transform variable/fluctuating energy into high quality power required to supply loads. The principles of power conversion for AC and DC system will be covered. Application examples will include topics such as power converters for battery chargers, solar inverters, wind/ocean power conversion, and traction for electric vehicles. The course will provide a strong theoretical background and enable students to understand renewable power conversion at the system level. A practical/applied component will be included, providing the student with real-world problem solving scenarios, laboratory experiences and visits to UBC state of the art power facilities.