

**ELEC 82 Course Outline as of Fall 2018****CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: ELEC 82 Title: MECHATRONICS FUND

Full Title: Mechatronics Fundamentals

Last Reviewed: 4/10/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.50	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	43.75
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	1.50	8	Lab Scheduled	26.25
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 87.50

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

**Catalog Description:**

Analysis and control of systems that combine mechanical elements with electronic components as well as computers and/or microcontrollers. Topics include sensors, actuators, servo and stepper motors and motor controllers.

**Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Course Completion of ELEC 54C

**Recommended Preparation:****Limits on Enrollment:****Schedule of Classes Information:**

Description: Analysis and control of systems that combine mechanical elements with electronic components as well as computers and/or microcontrollers. Topics include sensors, actuators, servo and stepper motors and motor controllers. (Grade Only)

Prerequisites/Corequisites: Course Completion of ELEC 54C

Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU;  
Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

<b>AS Degree:</b>	<b>Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU GE:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>IGETC:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 2018
		Inactive:	
<b>UC Transfer:</b>		Effective:	
		Inactive:	

**CID:**

**Certificate/Major Applicable:**  
Not Certificate/Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Identify the different sensor types and measurands; force, temperature, distance, velocity, acceleration, pressure, flow, optical, and chemical.
2. Test and plot sensor data to obtain sensor characteristics.
3. Demonstrate the operation of servo and stepper motors.

### **Objectives:**

During this course students will:

1. Explain how sensor characteristics and signal conditioning affect a simple system.
2. Compare sensing of a measurand using sensors based on different physical effects.
3. Test and plot sensor data to obtain sensor characteristics
4. Demonstrate the use of sensors to provide feedback to a control system.
5. Design a useful device containing a sensor or actuator and predict its behavior.
6. Interface with microcontrollers using sensors as input and actuators as output.
7. Design a motor control system using servo and stepper motors.

### **Topics and Scope:**

#### **I. Introduction**

- A. Classification of sensors and actuators
- B. Sensing and actuating strategies
- C. Sensing
- D. Transduction
- E. Evacuation

#### **II. Performance Characteristics**

- A. Input/output characteristics
- B. Accuracy and errors
- C. Frequency response and calibration
- D. Applications

### III. Temperature Sensors

- A. Thermistors
- B. Resistance temperature sensors

### IV. Optical sensors

- A. Photodiodes
- B. Phototransistors
- C. Photoresistors
- D. Infrared

### V. Magnetic Sensors

- A. Proximity sensors
- B. Hall sensors

### VI. Mechanical Sensors

- A. Accelerometers
- B. Force sensors
- C. Pressure sensors

### VII. Acoustic Sensors

### VIII. Chemical Sensors

- A. Humidity
- B. Moisture

### IX. Motors as Actuators

- A. Servo motors and controls
- B. Stepper motors and controls

### X. Interfacing Methods and Circuits

- A. Bridge circuits
- B. Interfacing to microprocessors
- C. Data transmission
- D. Power requirements
- E. Noise and interference

### XI. Interfacing to Microprocessors:

- A. General requirements for sensors and actuators
- B. Input signal conditioning
- C. Output signals (level, power, isolation, etc.)
- D. Driving methods (direct, PWM)

### XII. Laboratory Exercises

- A. Temperature and humidity sensors
- B. Optical sensors
- C. Magnetic sensors
- D. Mechanical sensors
- E. Acoustic sensors
- F. Chemical sensors
- G. Servo motors and controls
- H. Stepper motors and controls
- I. Interfacing to Arduino

### **Assignment:**

#### Lecture-Related Assignments:

1. Reading (10-30 pages per week)
2. Homework assignments (1-4)
3. Quizzes (2-6) and final exam

### Lab-Related Assignments:

1. Laboratory assignments (5-12) including demonstrating operation of a sensor controlled motor
2. Lab reports (4-8)

### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Lab reports

Writing  
20 - 50%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework assignments

Problem solving  
20 - 30%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Laboratory assignments

Skill Demonstrations  
10 - 30%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes and final exam

Exams  
20 - 40%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category  
0 - 0%

### Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Fundamentals of Mechatronics. Jouaneh, Musa. Cengage Learning. 2013 (classic)