

EE 4951W – Senior Design Project

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This course outline is to serve as a reference for instructors and students. It gives a general overview of course content and ABET Outcomes. Please consult the semester specific syllabus produced by the course instructor for more detailed information.

Course Prerequisites, Basic Content, and Outcomes

Catalog Description

(4.0 cr; Prereq-3015, 3115, 3102, attendance first day of class; fall, spring, every year)
Team participation in formulating/solving open-ended design problems. Oral/written presentations.

Contact Hours: Three hours of lecture and team meeting time per week

Texts: N/A

Prerequisites by Topic: Senior level student in Electrical or Computer Engineering

Course Outcomes: The main objective of this course is to learn engineering team design methodology. Secondary objectives are to refine oral presentation and technical writing skills.

Relationship to Student Outcomes: In accordance with ABET accreditation criteria, all engineering programs must demonstrate that their students achieve certain outcomes. This list of outcomes may be found on the ABET.org website. Of the outcomes listed in the ABET criteria (enumerated as (a) through (k)), this course teaches skills which help the student achieve the following outcomes:

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering
- (i) a recognition of the need for, and an ability to engage in life-long learning

Course Outline

<u>Week</u>	<u>Lecture Topics</u>
1	Project Presentations
2-3	Design Process
4	Design Proposal and Report Writing – Team Meetings
5	Oral and Poster Presentations – Team Meetings
6-7	Design Review Presentations – Team Meetings
8-10	Executive summaries – Team Meetings
11	Peer review – Team Meetings
12-13	Ethics – Team Meetings
14-15	Product Launch Presentations

Departmental and University Policies

Student Academic Integrity and Scholastic Dishonesty: Academic integrity is essential to a positive teaching and learning environment. All students enrolled in University courses are expected to complete coursework responsibilities with fairness and honesty. Failure to do so by seeking unfair advantage over others or misrepresenting someone else's work as your own, can result in disciplinary action. The University Student Conduct Code defines scholastic dishonesty as follows:

Scholastic Dishonesty: Scholastic dishonesty means plagiarizing; cheating on assignments or examinations; engaging in unauthorized collaboration on academic work; taking, acquiring, or using test materials without faculty permission; submitting false or incomplete records of academic achievement; acting alone or in cooperation with another to falsify records or to obtain dishonestly grades, honors, awards, or professional endorsement; altering forging , or misusing a University academic record; or fabricating or falsifying data, research procedures, or data analysis.

Within this course, a student responsible for scholastic dishonesty can be assigned a penalty up to and including an "F" or "N" for the course. If you have any questions regarding the expectations for a specific assignment or exam, ask.

Incompletes: A grade of I for Incomplete is given at the discretion of the course instructor when, due to extraordinary circumstances, the student who has successfully completed a substantial portion of the course's work with a passing grade was prevented from completing the work of the course on time. Students must fill out an Incomplete Grade Agreement form found in Keller 3-166. The maximum time to remove and replace an incomplete grade is one year.

Makeup Work for Legitimate Absences: Consult university policy here:
<http://policy.umn.edu/Policies/Education/Education/MAKEUPWORK.html>

Personal Electronic Devices: Consult university policy here:
<http://policy.umn.edu/Policies/Education/Education/CLASSROOMPED.html>

Mental Health: As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. University of Minnesota services are available to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. You can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Student Mental Health Website at <http://www.mentalhealth.umn.edu>