### Mechanical & Industrial Engineering Course and Option Talk - **Mechatronics**



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Curriculum Overview

#### FALL

- MIE301: Kinematics and Dynamics of Machines (my course)
- MIE312: Fluid Mechanics I
- MIE342: Circuits with Applications to Mechanical Engineering Systems
- MIE258: Engineering Economics and Accounting
- Natural science requirement

#### WINTER

- MIE315: Design for the Environment
- MIE313: Heat and Mass Transfer
- MIE334: Numerical Methods I
- Two stream option courses

## 4<sup>th</sup> Year Curriculum Overview

#### FALL

- MIE491: Capstone Design
- Two stream option courses
- One Technical Elective
- Other: HSS or CS Elective

#### WINTER

- MIE491: Capstone Design
- Three Technical Elective courses
- Other: HSS or CS Elective

### Mechatronics – Core Courses

### 3F Term – MIE342 – Circuits with Applications to Mechanical Engineering Systems

 Course Description: Teaches basic techniques for analyzing circuits (things like current and voltage laws) and circuit components (such as sources, inductors, capacitors, op-amps etc.)



### Mechatronics – Stream Courses

#### 3W Term – MIE346 – Analog & Digital Electronics

 Course Description: Teaches advanced circuits – motor drivers, oscillators, filters, plus new semiconductor devices (diodes, MOSFETs, BJTs), plus real world design and analysis



### Mechatronics – Stream Courses

#### 4F Term – MIE404 – Control Systems I

Teaches general methods to control a feedback system; both mathematical and practical (i.e.: Magnetic Levitation control lab)





# **Notable Technical Electives**



#### **MIE443**

**Mechatronic Systems Design and Integration** 

**Design Course** – Teaches the design process, automation, and integration of real-world Mechatronics systems (practical design)



#### MIE444 Mechatronics Principles

**Design Course** – Smart Systems, Interfacing and Control, Modeling, and a **practical project** (build a line follower) Technical Elective: MIE438 – Microprocessors and Embedded Microcontrollers

• Embedded Systems – Everything from home and office appliances to video game consoles, cars to cell phones, etc.



### What is MIE438 about?

- Number representations (175 = 10101111 = 0xAF)
- Machine-level programming
- Translation between high level code (C, Python, etc.) and low level (Assembly) codes
- Interfacing with inputs and outputs (sensors, motors, LCD, etc.)
- CPU-based control

**Course Project**: **Design** and **build** a Mechatronics-related embedded system using a microcontroller

#### Past Project Examples:

- Automatic Card Dealer
- Gesture-Controlled Helicopter
- Cell-phone Controlled Robot
- Rubik's Cube Solver
- Pendulum Damping Cart
- Shooting Gallery Game





#### Embedded Systems

### MIE438 Labs



## **Mechatronics** Overview

• Interdisciplinary:

- Mechanical, electrical, computer science

- Design of **complete** modern mechanical systems with integrated electronic components
- Examples: robots, appliances, cars, aircraft, spacecraft...





# Mechatronics - Jobs

- Mechatronics is often misunderstood as a field:
  - "Control Engineer", "Electrical Engineer", "Automation Engineer", "Industrial Engineer", etc.
- Most commonly listed by secondary specialization, when the real goal is still to hire someone with mechatronics background
- **Suggestion**: Explore a secondary specialization, especially after graduating, and highlight this to potential employers. Build a design portfolio.

# Mechatronics Research: MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems)



#### Relevant Labs: Profs. Liu, Sun, Mills, Ben Mrad

### Mechatronics Research: Computer Vision

Example: active vision: Using cameras that **move** in response to what they are seeing, in order to see **better** in the future. May also be **predictive**, moving in **anticipation** of future

actions.



Relevant Labs: Profs. Benhabib, Nejat

### **Mechatronics Research: Robotics**



#### Swarm Robotics and mROBerTO

Human-Robot Interaction (Goldie Nejat)

Relevant Labs: Profs. Diller, Sun, Nejat, Mills, Benhabib

### Wireless Medical Microgripper



and Automation Letters 2017

Real-time autonomous microgripping

### Course and Option Talk – Mechatronics Questions?

