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2. **Marking Scheme:**

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In this course, there will be no graded assignments or tests returned before the last date to drop courses. Students should be aware of this in making any decision whether or not to remain in the course past the drop date. No requests for late withdrawal will be supported on the grounds that insufficient feedback was available before the drop date.

3. **Lectures:**

1-3 Wednesday MC306

4. **Final exam:**
You are allowed one 8.5”x11” aid sheet into the final exam. Calculators are allowed. No additional material is allowed.

5. **Project description and requirements:**
- The project is selected by the students from the projects listed in Sessions 11 and 12. Projects are developed in groups of 2 to 3 students. Other projects can also be selected in one of the following areas:
  - Development of precision sensors
  - Development of precision actuators
  - Implementation of precision systems and issues addressed.
- The project report is submitted at the beginning of Session 12 in technical paper format. The report should not exceed 10 pages using single line spacing. Powerpoint presentations are also submitted at the beginning of the presentation session. Each presentation is 20 minutes long and up to 10 minutes for questions.
- The project presentation and report are marked based on: presentation (written and oral), complexity of the work done, and technical correctness.
- The syllabus shows a list of suggested projects. Other projects are also possible.
- The project reports and presentations need to present a summary of state of the art on the technology, describe the concepts and basic forms of the technology and provide some ideas for future development.

**Tentative Schedule**

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**Tentative Course Outline (Major Headings)**

**Session 1:** Course introduction and rules, Smart materials and their characteristics. (E. Prasad – January 8)

**Session 2:** Piezoelectric devices and their applications – Part I (E. Prasad – January 15)

**Session 3:** Introduction to piezoelectrics. (R. Ben Mrad – January 22)

**Session 4:** Piezoceramic materials and their processing (S. Nemana – January 29)

**Session 5:** Brief student presentations of their projects outline (up to 5 minutes per project); Application of piezoelectric devices – Part II (E. Prasad – February 5).

**Session 6:** Modeling of non-linearities in piezoceramics and real-time compensation of the nonlinearities for high precision applications (R Ben Mrad – February 12)

**Session 7:** Precision piezoceramic sensors – case study (E. Prasad – February 26)

**Session 8:** Energy harvesting using piezoelectrics (R. Ben Mrad – March 4)

**Session 9:** Piezoelectric precision linear and rotary motors (R. Ben Mrad – March 11)

**Session 10 (March 18):** Final exam

**Session 11 (March 25):** Student presentations for suggested projects
- Group 1 presentation – Piezoceramics for energy harvesting
- Group 2 presentation - Other energy harvesting technology
- Group 3 presentation - Piezo ultrasonic motors
- Group 4 presentation – Power requirements of piezo actuators

**Session 12 (April 1):** Student presentations for suggested projects, final reports due for all projects
- Group 5 presentation – Multi-axis accelerometers, their capabilities, and their applications
- Group 6 presentation - MEMS gyros, their capabilities, and their applications
- Group 7 presentation - A survey of piezoelectric sensors and their characteristics
- Group 8 presentation - Thin film piezoceramics