

Course Syllabus for

**MECH 3V95 – Circuits and Applied Electronics**

Section	Days	Time	Room	Instructor	TAs
001	MW	11:30-12:20pm	ECSN 2.126	Ann Majewicz	Marzieh Ershad
001 (Lab)	F	10:00-12:45pm	SPN 1.115	Robert Hart	Ziheng Wang

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**Course Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, and/or Other Restrictions**

Pre-requisite: MECH 1208, PHYS 2326 and MATH 2420  
Other Restrictions: None

**Course Description**

The purpose of this course is to give students a general understanding of basic concepts in electronics geared specifically toward application. Course topics include: circuit components and theory (resistors, capacitors, inductors, component networks), power concepts (AC, DC,

single and 3-phase) basic microelectronics (semiconductors, diodes, transistors, op-amps, amplifiers), and digital design (number systems, logic circuits, common ICs). This course includes a laboratory component and team-based final project.

## Course Objectives and Topics

Introduce theory, analysis, and application of a variety of electronic components and circuits. The learning objectives/outcomes for this course are as follows:

- Understand the function and application of analog and digital electronic components.
- Analyze electronic circuits involving common analog components, both time-invariant and time-varying systems.
- Use common test equipment to safely and accurately measure voltage, current, and power.
- Design and build electronic circuits to perform tasks common in engineering applications such as amplification, filtering, etc.

## Required Textbook and Supplies

Authors: Ulaby, Fawwaz T., Maharbiz, Michel M.  
Title & Edition: Circuits, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition  
ISBN-13: 9781934891193

And additional recommended text is:

Authors: Hambley, Allan R.  
Title & Edition: Electrical Engineering: Principles & Applications, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition  
ISBN-13: 9780133116649

It is strongly suggested that you use a personal laptop for this course. The software used in this course includes: Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Power Point), Matlab and Multisim. These can be purchased from the UTD Technology Store (<http://www.utdtechstore.com/>).

All software is also available in the TI Innovation Lab (SPN 1.115).

Notes, supporting material, and other resources will be posted on eLearning.

## Important Dates

Labor Day (no classes):	September 5
Last day to withdraw without "W":	September 7
Last day to withdraw with "W":	November 7
Fall Break (no classes):	November 21-26
Last day of classes:	December 7
Finals week:	December 9-15

## Course Structure and Schedule

In MECH 3V95, you will attend two 50-minute class sessions each week, which will take place in **ECSN 2.126** and well as one 3 hour laboratory session which will take place in **SPN 1.115**.

The following is a **tentative** schedule of class topics. These dates are subject to change. It is your responsibility to keep up with any changes.

Week	Class	Lab	Topic(s)	Laboratory
1	8-22	8-25	Overview of Course, Electrical Concepts	Electrical Measurement
	8-24		Basic Circuit Components and Analysis	
2	8-29	9-1	Basic Circuit Components and Analysis	Temperature Measurement
	8-31		Basic Circuit Components and Analysis	
3	9-5	9-8	NO CLASS LABOR DAY	Amplifiers
	9-7		Op Amps	
4	9-12	9-16	Op Amps	Amplifiers
	9-14		Op Amps	
5	9-19	9-23	Semiconductors and Diodes	Soldering Lab + PROJECT INTRO
	9-21		Transistors	
6	9-26	9-30	Transistors	Transistors and Relays
	9-28		Digital Number Systems and Logic	
7	10-3	10-7	Digital Logic	Digital Lab
	10-5		Finding ICs + Reading Datasheets	
8	10-10	10-14	First-order Electrical Systems (RC, RL)	PROJECT PROPOSAL PRESENTATIONS
	10-12		First-order Electrical Systems (RC, RL)	
9	10-17	10-21	Midterm Exam Review	RC, RL Measurement
	10-18		MIDTERM EXAM (in testing center)	
	10-19		NO CLASS	
10	10-24	10-28	Second-order Electrical Systems (RLC)	Power Supply Voltage Regulator
	10-26		Second-order Electrical Systems (RLC)	
11	10-31	11-4	Steady-State Analysis	PROJECT CRITICAL DESIGN REVIEW + Project Work Time
	11-2		Steady-State Analysis	
12	11-7	11-11	AC Power (Guest Lecturer Robert Hart)	Project Work Time
	11-9		AC Power (Guest Lecturer Robert Hart)	
13	11-14	11-18	Transformers (Guest Lecturer Robert Hart)	Operational Check-off + Project Work Time
	11-16		Laplace and Fourier	
14	11-21	11-25	FALL BREAK NO CLASS	NO LAB
	11-23		FALL BREAK NO CLASS	
15	11-28	12-2	Laplace and Fourier	Final Project Demos
	11-30		Laplace and Fourier	
16	12-5	12-9	Applications in Mechanical Systems	NO LAB
	12-7		Final Exam Review Session + PROJECT CLOSE OUT	
17	Follow final exam schedule		Final Exam	

## Grading Policy

**[35%] Exams and Quizzes:** There will be a midterm and final exam, composing 66% of the exam grade. Throughout the course, there will be 12 quizzes, either in class, or on eLearning. Grades for the lowest two quizzes will be dropped, and the remaining 10 will be counted as an additional exam. The quizzes will be predominantly conceptual T/F or multiple choice questions based on assigned videos, or short problems for in-class quizzes. Make-up exams will only be allowed for the cases of illness, participation in a university-sponsored event (e.g., athletics), or under unusual circumstances. For all cases, you are required to provide proper documentation.

**[40%] Homework and Laboratory Assignments:** There will be weekly, written homework laboratory completion worksheets or reports. These deliverables will be graded based on completeness, correctness, and legibility. Templates for homework and report submissions will be provided. *Late assignments will not be accepted under any circumstances and the lowest homework grade will be dropped. All laboratory deliverables are required – no exceptions.*

**[25%] Final Project:** The final design project will be graded on (1) a circuit proposal, (2) a critical design review, (3) a demonstration of an operational circuit, (4) participation in the class Demo Day, and (5) a final project report. The class demo day will be on **Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30am to 1:00pm in the ECSN Foyer**, and will be open to the public, including UTD faculty and students.

You have five business days to appeal any grade after being assigned.

Your final grade will be rounded to the nearest whole number, based on the following ranges:

	Plus (+)		Minus (-)
<b>A</b>	100 - 97	96 - 93	92 - 90
<b>B</b>	89 - 87	86 - 83	82 - 80
<b>C</b>	79 - 77	76 - 73	72 - 70
<b>D</b>	69 - 67	66 - 63	62 - 60
<b>F</b>		59 and below	

## Course & Instructor Policies

Email must be sent from your UTD email account to the UTD email address of the instructor. Emails related to homework submissions should be addressed to both the instructor and TA.

The use of laptop computers, tablets, cell phones, or other electronic devices are **not** allowed during lectures or exams, unless required for the activity.

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. All suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be sent to the Office of Judicial Affairs (see <http://www.utdallas.edu/deanofstudents/managing/>). If it is determined that academic dishonesty occurred you will receive a grade of **F** in this course.

For a full list of university policies, please visit <http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies>

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