

EE 402 – Senior Design Seminar – 1 hour  
Required course

1. *2007-2008 Catalog description*

Students work in teams on a large-scale electrical engineering project, considering technical and non-technical factors in seeking an optimal solution. Prerequisite: Senior standing in EE.

2. *Prerequisites by topics*

a. Analog and digital design experience through sophomore, junior, and senior microprocessor projects

3. *Textbook (s) and/or other required material* - Course handouts

4. *Class/Laboratory Schedule*

Two sessions per week, each 50 minutes, for 7 weeks

5. *Topics Covered (Outcomes influenced)*

- Entrepreneurship and business plans (Guest lectures & class lectures) (7a)
- Marketing and engineering (Guest lecture) (7a)
- Team work dynamics and interpersonal skills (Guest lecture) (7a,b)
- Product liability (Guest lecture) (7a,b)
- Professional ethics via ethics game and guest lectures (7a,b)

6. *Contribution of course to meeting curriculum components*

Engineering design – 100%

7. *Course Outcomes (Program Outcome contributions)*

- a The student will engage into product engineering in an entrepreneurial environment by working on an interdisciplinary team to prepare a business plan for a venture based on a new electronic product. (9B, C, D, F, G)
- b The student will work with his/her team to consider professional and ethical problems (9D, G)

8. Grading Policy: The level to which students achieve the course outcomes is based on the following components:

Group Grade

- consultant(s) with appropriate skills and background "hired"  
(A if "hired" or IN for course if not) (5%)
- product idea including functional description and first cut analysis of target market (5%)
- draft of business plan (10%)
- written business plan (25%)
- documentation of team activity (10%)
- evaluation of consultant's contribution (5%)

Individual Grade

- attendance at presentations of guest speakers and ethics game sessions (35%)
- quality of peer performance evaluation (5%)

Each component will be assigned a value between 0 and 4, where 0 corresponds to F, 1 corresponds to D, 2 corresponds to C, 3 corresponds to B, and 4 corresponds to A. In the case of the components for which the student's individual effort can't be ascertained, then all students on a team will receive the same grade for the component. These components are listed under the Group Grade. In case of the attendance category, the student will be decremented a point for each unexcused absence. Your course letter grade will be determined by first computing a weighted average course GPA (cgpa) based on the above deliverables and assigning the letter grade as follows.

- 3.5 < cgpa < 4.0 --- A
- 2.5 < cgpa < 3.5 --- B
- 1.5 < cgpa < 2.5 --- C
- 0.5 < cgpa < 1.5 --- D
- cgpa < 0.5 --- F

A grade of C corresponds to meeting the minimum competency required to understand course topics and meet course objectives.

9. *Relationship of course to program outcomes*

label	Program Outcomes (A Graduate from the program will:)	Contribution
A	demonstrate knowledge of the mathematical and scientific foundation of electrical engineering	Foundational
B	demonstrate knowledge of and the ability to apply techniques and technology of electrical engineering	Strong
C	complete a design project sequence, culminating in a capstone project at or near the professional level	Strong
D	demonstrate the ability to acquire new knowledge as needed for success in the electrical engineering profession	Strong
E	meet Bradley's general education requirements which are based on the principles of liberal education	NA
F	have experience in communicating technical information and working on teams	Strong
G	understand the importance of professional and ethical behavior	Strong

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