



### **Outline of class meetings – subject to change**

Assignments due in blackboard will be due by 11 p.m. the day of class

Assignments due in class must be submitted to my box in ECE 101 prior to 5 p.m. the day of class

#### ***Session 1- Week of August 26th***

Reading: Prologue and Chapter 1

Discussion: Introduction to course and format, grading contracts, introduction to blackboard, time management

Assignment: Personal Essay

Due: Hand in grading contract at end of class

#### ***Session 2 – Week of Sept. 2nd***

Reading: Chapter 3

Discussion: Metacognition

Assignment:

- Take learning styles quiz at <http://www.engr.ncsu.edu/learningstyles/ilsweb.html>  
Print out the results, write your name at the top

- Homework Wrapper #1 and #2, Test Wrapper

Due: Personal essay, submitted on blackboard

#### ***Session 3 – Week of Sept. 9th***

Reading: Chapter 4

Discussion: Learning Styles

Assignment: Learning styles essay

Due:

- Learning styles quiz results, submitted in class
- Homework wrapper #1, submitted on blackboard

#### ***Session 4 – Week of Sept. 16th***

Reading: Pages 133-143 of Chapter 5

Discussion: Notetaking

Assignment:

- Weekly schedule
- Notetaking assignment

Due: Learning styles essay, submitted on blackboard

#### ***Session 5 – Week of Sept. 23rd***

Reading: Pages 143-157 of Chapter 5

Discussion: Test taking, Problem solving

Assignment: None

Due:

- Weekly schedule, submitted in class

#### ***Session 6 – Week of Sept. 30th***

Reading: Chapter 8

Discussion: Coursework Schedule

Assignment: Library Quiz

Due:

- Notetaking essay stapled to three different types of notes, submitted in class

- Coursework Schedule, submitted in class (this assignment is due at the end of the class period)

### ***Session 7 – Week of Oct. 7th***

Reading: Chapter 6

Discussion: Keeping a lab notebook and writing a lab report

Assignment:

- Lab notebook
- Lab report

Due: Homework wrapper #2, submitted on blackboard

### ***Session 8 – Week of Oct. 14th***

Reading: Pages 223-241 of Chapter 7

Discussion: Giving technical presentations

Assignment: Technical presentation

Due: Lab Notebook

### ***Session 9 – Week of Oct. 21st***

Reading: Pages 211-222 of Chapter 7

Discussion: Career Center Speaker

Assignment: Resume

Due:

- Test Wrapper, submitted on blackboard
- Library Quiz, submitted on blackboard

### ***Session 10 – Week of Oct. 28th***

Discussion: Study Abroad Speaker, Discussion of final project

Assignment: Final Project

Due: Lab Report

### ***Session 11 – Week of Nov. 4th***

Discussion: Critique Resumes (Bring 2 copies of your resume)

Assignment: None

Due: – Technical presentation, submitted on Blackboard

### ***Session 12 – Week of November 11th***

Reading: Chapter 2

Discussion and assignment: Assign subfields of electrical engineering presentation

Due: Resume (include feedback and early drafts), submitted in class

### ***Session 13 – Week of November 18th***

Discussion: Guest Speaker (seniors in EE/CE)

Assignment: None

Due: Final project

### ***No class week of November 25th***

### ***Session 14 – Week of Dec. 2nd***

Discussion and due: Engineering Subfields Presentation

**Grading:**

We will use a grading contract for this course. Assignments will be graded on a simple scale: pass or redo. Your grade will depend on how many assignments you complete and pass. Using this method, you can choose how many assignments you wish to complete satisfactorily and this will determine your grade.

If a submitted assignment has a request for a revision, then you have two weeks to revise the homework according to recommendations and submit it to the instructor. Revision of homework does not constitute an automatic pass, however. If the assignment needs further revision, the same rules will apply to any further revision. All revisions must be turned in no later than the final class period.

Assignments must be typed (except the lab notebook exercise) and should be submitted as specified below. Hand-written assignments will not be accepted.

The requirements for each grade are as follows:

Required Assignments	Optional Assignments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The personal essay</li><li>• Resume</li><li>• Lab notebook</li><li>• Lab report</li><li>• Subfields presentation</li><li>• Final project</li><li>• 2 Reading Quizzes</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learning styles quiz</li><li>• Learning styles essay</li><li>• Weekly schedule</li><li>• Coursework schedule</li><li>• Notetaking essay</li><li>• Library quiz</li><li>• Homework wrappers (2)</li><li>• Test wrapper</li><li>• Technical presentation powerpoint</li></ul>

To earn an A, you must complete and pass 8 of the optional assignments.

To earn an B, you must complete and pass 7 of the optional assignments.

To earn an C, you must complete and pass 6 of the optional assignments.

The final grade will be reduced by two letter grades, e.g. a B will become a D, for every required assignment that is does not pass or is not submitted.

**Behavioral Expectations:**

I expect that students will act respectfully towards other students as well as the instructor. Computer use is strongly discouraged during class unless it is necessary for notetaking. It is acceptable to bring food or drink to class, and the student may leave the class at any time without permission. However, these permissions do not entitle the student to be in any way disruptive to the rest of the class. Any student who does not behave according to these guidelines can be asked by the instructor to leave the class for the remainder of the class period. If the behavior recurs in future classes, the student may be dismissed for the remainder of the semester.

## Grading Contract

I, \_\_\_\_\_, plan to contract for a grade of A B C in Univ 189 for  
(name) (circle one)

Fall 2012. This means that:

- I will complete all of the required assignments and \_\_\_\_\_ of the optional assignments.
- I understand what is expected of me, and I understand that failing to meet the stated requirements may result in a lower grade being awarded.
- I understand that I am responsible for submitting all assignments on time.
- I understand that submission of an assignment does not mean that I have earned a passing grade on the assignment.
- I understand that I must submit the homework by its deadline if I want to pass or have the opportunity to redo the assignment. Assignments that are not submitted on time will count as fails.
- I understand that I can check my grades any time on Blackboard.

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(instructor signature)