Faculty of Engineering

COURSE OUTLINE

ELEC 569A – Reconfigurable Computing
Term – Fall 2017 (201709)

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Office Hours
Days: Tuesday
Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Location: EOW-313

Course Objectives

• Expose students to state-of-the-art FPGA architectures
• Make students understand what the FPGA design challenge is
• Show students where to look for information and how to read it
• Present a literature digest for the FPGA domain

Learning Outcomes

• Ability to write efficient VHDL code for FPGAs
• Ability to choose the appropriate FPGA architecture for a specific application
• Ability to use FPGA design tools

Syllabus

• Field-Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGA) and Reconfigurable Computing paradigm
• FPGA: major architectural classes
• FPGA as a performance accelerator
• Optimizing circuits for a specific FPGA architecture
• Programmable interconnection networks
• Low-energy FPGA’s
• Computer-Aided Design tools for mapping onto FPGA’s

A-Section(s): A01 / CRN 11298 and A02 / CRN 11299
Days: Tuesday
Time: 3:30pm – 6:20pm
Location: CLE-A308

Required Text
Title: Course notes available online
Author: Mihai SIMA
Publisher: -
Year: 2017

Optional Text
Title: 
Author: 
Publisher: 
Year: 
References:

**Title:** Architecture and CAD for deep-submicron FPGA's  
**Author:** V. Betz, J. Rose, A. Marquardt  
**Publisher:** Springer  
**Year:** 1999

**Title:** Design of Interconnection Networks for Programmable Logic  
**Author:** G. Lemieux, D. Lewis  
**Publisher:** Springer  
**Year:** 2003

**Title:** Low-energy FPGA's: architecture and design  
**Author:** V. George, J. Rabaey  
**Publisher:** Springer  
**Year:** 2001

**Title:** Research Papers on IEEE Digital Library

Assessment:

- Mid-term report 10%  
  Date: Oct. 31, 2017
- Project report 30%
- Presentation and powerpoint/pdf slides 30%
- Final (questions and answers) 30%

Note: Failure to pass the final exam will result in a failing grade for the course.

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