COURSE OUTLINE

ECE 455 – Real Time Computer Systems Design Project

Term –SPRING 2021 (202101)

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Course Objectives
- To provide understanding of the principles and practice of designing and implementing real-time computer systems and applications.

Learning Outcomes
1- Illustrate the characteristics of real-time computer systems.
2- Use experimental and production real-time operating systems.
3- Design and Implement application and environment to ensure processing deadlines are met.
4- Justify the hardware support in real-time systems.
5- Assess hazards in real-time mission-critical systems.
6- Design and validate the requirements of a real-time system.

Syllabus
The characterization of a Real-Time Computer Systems. The significance and management of Time, Fault-Tolerance and Environmental Integration. The major part of the course will concentrate on the management of time as a computational resource. Several techniques including rate-monotonic scheduling, deadline scheduling, time-driven scheduling, etc. will be discussed. Several experimental and production Real-Time kernels will be examined. A dedicated focus on the FREE RTOS will be applied in the Laboratory, as all projects will be built using this Real-Time Operating System.

A-Section(s): A01 / CRN 20911
The course lectures are offered asynchronous. B01 Tue 15:30-18:20 TA (khaled.a.helal@ieee.org)
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B03 Thu 15:30-18:20 TA (bieyifeng10@hotmail.com)
B04 Thu 15:30-18:20 TA (soleimani.parastoo@hotmail.com)
B05 Thu 15:30-18:20 TA (TBD)
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Required Text
Title: Notes available on Brightspace

Optional Text
Title: Real-Time Systems
Online Course Delivery:
As this course will be conducted online during this term, students will need to complete assignments/labs online. The students will require access to a computer which has the following software installed: Atollic TrueStudio available at
Linked below:
https://atollic.com/truestudio/

References:

Assessment:
Assignments: 10% Due Dates:
Labs 30%
Mid-terms 60% Date: Midterm 1 (Tuesday Feb. 2, 2021-16%),
Midterm 2 (Friday March 12, 2021-30%)
Midterm 3 (Tuesday March 30, 2021-14%)

Important: All deadlines and schedules for this course will reference Pacific Standard Time.

Note:
Failure to complete all laboratory requirements will result in a grade of N being awarded for the course. Failure to pass the midterms (above 50% on average) will result in a failing grade for the course.

The final grade obtained from the above marking scheme for the purpose of GPA calculation will be based on the percentage-to-grade point conversion table as listed in the current Undergraduate Calendar.

https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/archives/202101/undergrad/index.php#/policy/S1A AgoGuV?bc=true&bcCurrent=14%20-%20Grading&bcGroup=Undergraduate%20Academic%20Regulations&bcItemType=policies

There will be no supplemental examination for this course.


Note to students:
Students who have issues with the conduct of the course should discuss them with the instructor first. If these discussions do not resolve the issue, then students should feel free to contact the Chair of the Department by email or the Chair's Assistant to set up an appointment.

Course Withdrawal Deadlines:
• January 19, 2021: Withdrawal with 100% reduction of tuition fees (under review)
• February 9, 2021: Withdrawal with 50% reduction of tuition fees (under review)
• February 28, 2021: Last day for withdrawal (no fees returned) (under review)

Accommodation of Religious Observance:
Policy on Inclusivity and Diversity:
   Engineering: https://www.uvic.ca/engineering/about/equity/index.php
   Academic Calendar:

Standards of Professional Behaviour:
You are advised to read the Faculty of Engineering document Standards for Professional Behaviour, which contains important information regarding conduct in courses, labs, and in the general use of facilities.
https://www.uvic.ca/engineering/assets/docs/professional-behaviour.pdf

Academic Integrity
Cheating, plagiarism and other forms of academic fraud are taken very seriously by both the University and the Department. You should consult the entry in the current Undergraduate Calendar for the UVic policy on academic integrity.
https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/archives/202101/undergrad/index.php#/policy/Sk_0xsM_V?bc=true&bcCurrent=08%20-%20Policy%20on%20Academic%20Integrity&bcItemType=policies

Equality:
This course aims to provide equal opportunities and access for all students to enjoy the benefits and privileges of the class and its curriculum, and to meet the syllabus requirements. Reasonable and appropriate accommodation will be made available to students with documented disabilities (physical, mental, learning) in order to give them the opportunity to successfully meet the essential requirements of the course. The accommodation will not alter academic standards or learning outcomes, although the student may be allowed to demonstrate knowledge and skills in a different way. It is not necessary for you to reveal your disability and/or confidential medical information to the course instructor. If you believe that you may require accommodation, the course instructor can provide you with information about confidential resources on campus that can assist you in arranging an appropriate accommodation. Alternatively, you may want to contact the Centre for Accessible Learning located in the Campus Services Building.
https://www.uvic.ca/services/cal/.

Course Lecture Notes:
Unless otherwise noted, all course materials supplied to students in this course have been prepared by the instructor and are intended for use in this course only. These materials are NOT to be re-circulated digitally, whether by email or by uploading or copying to websites, or to others not enrolled in this course. Violation of this policy may in some cases constitute a breach of academic integrity as defined in the UVic Calendar.

Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response at Uvic:
UVic takes sexualized violence seriously, and has raised the bar for what is considered acceptable behaviour. We encourage students to learn more about how the university defines sexualized violence and its overall approach by visiting www.uvic.ca/svp. If you or someone you know has been impacted by sexualized violence and needs information, advice, and/or support please contact the sexualized violence resource office in Equity and Human Rights (EQHR). Whether or not you have been directly impacted, if you want to take part in the important prevention work taking place on campus, you can also reach out:
   Where: Sexualized violence resource office in EQHR; Sedgewick C119
   Phone: 250.721.8021
   Email: svpncoordinator@uvic.ca

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Office of the Ombudsperson:
The Office of the Ombudsperson is an independent and impartial resource to assist with the fair resolution of student issues. A confidential consultation can help you understand your rights and responsibilities. The Ombudsperson can also clarify information, help navigate procedures, assist with problem-solving, facilitate communication, provide feedback on an appeal, investigate and make recommendations. Phone: 250-721-8357; Email: ombuddy@uvic.ca, Website: https://uvicombudsperson.ca/