

## Faculty of Engineering & Technology

### Special Topics in Mechatronics

#### Information :

**Course Code :** MKT 599

**Level :** Undergraduate

**Course Hours :** 2.00- Hours

**Department :** Specialization of Mechatronics Engineering

#### Area Of Study :

1. This course aims to:

- "Familiarize students with automated assembly line system as a mechatronics application in industry.
- "Train the students to operate, maintain, analyze, design and test an automated assembly production line process.
- "To introduce Hand Shaking (HS) signals for multy-stations production lines

#### Description :

Selected topics that meet student interests and reflect recent trends in one of the fields of mechatronics engineering. This offering considers automation of a production line. The process details of each station in a typical automated assembly line are considered with emphasis on sensors, control unit, actuators and communications of different stations with others. For practical training, the AMATROL system available at FUE Mechatronics lab is considered.

#### Course outcomes :

##### **a.Knowledge and Understanding: :**

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| 1 - | a1. List the process steps in the AMATROL automated assembly stations.                   |
| 2 - | a2. Explain the principal operations of the mechatronic subsystems in a complex system.  |
| 3 - | a3. Explain how these subsystems work together.  |
| 4 - | a4. List safety regulations required for operation of a typical modern automated system. |

##### **b.Intellectual Skills: :**

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| 1 - | b1. Select the suitable sensors and actuators for a given process. |
| 2 - | b2. Analyse the control process of a control system.               |
| 3 - | b3. Program mechatronics modules, especially PLCs.                 |
| 4 - | b4. Program Multiple station control (Discrete I/O Handshaking)    |

##### **c.Professional and Practical Skills: :**

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| 1 - | c1. Operate the different stations of the AMATROL system  |
| 2 - | c2. Troubleshoot problems of the AMATROL system.  |
| 3 - | c3. Replace the defective item.   |
| 4 - | c4. Utilize the related technical documentations, reports and datasheets specific to the system and subsystems. |
| 5 - | c5. Implement safety regulations required for operating the system.   |

**d.General and Transferable Skills: :**

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| 1 - | d1. Manage tasks, time, and resources.                                      |
| 2 - | d2. Search for information and engage in life-long self-learning discipline |
| 3 - | d3. Collaborate effectively within multidisciplinary team.                  |
| 4 - | d4. Refer to relevant literatures   |

**Course Topic And Contents :**

| Topic                                      | No. of hours | Lecture | Tutorial / Practical |
|--|--------------|---------|----------------------|
| Introduction                               |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Stations and overview                      |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Interfacing                                |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Sensors and identification                 |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Operation of modules and safety            |              | 1       | 3                    |
| PLC control of stations                    |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Identifying the ladder control of stations |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Robot arm and its control                  |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Robot arm structure and sensors            |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Torqueing and storage stations             |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Indexing station                           |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Project discussion                         |              | 1       | 3                    |
| Project Presentation                       |              | 1       | 3                    |

**Teaching And Learning Methodologies :**

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| Interactive Lecturing |
| Problem solving       |
| Experiential learning |
| Discussion            |
| Brain storming        |
| Project               |
| Search                |

**Course Assessment :**

| Methods of assessment                 | Relative weight % | Week No | Assess What |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------------|
| 1st Midterm                           | 15.00             | 6       |             |
| 2nd Midterm                           | 15.00             | 11      |             |
| Assignments, Participation, & Quizzes | 10.00             |         |             |
| Final Exam                            | 40.00             |         |             |
| Project.                              | 20.00             | 13      |             |

**Course Notes :**

Notes and Amatrol catalogue

**Recommended books :**

- Alciatore, David G. & Hstand, Michael B.; Introduction to Mechatronics and Measurement Systems - McGraw Hill, 4th Edition, 2012
- AMATROL Technical Manuals No. 87 (MS1-MS7), AMATROL CORPORATION, 2012