MSE 4420: Capstone Engineering Design II

Credit hours and contact hours: 1-0-6-3

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Specific course information

**Catalog description:** A team problem-solving approach is used to work on a project developed in cooperation with industry. Weekly communications, both oral and written, are required.

**Prerequisites:** MSE 4420 - Capstone Engineering Design I

**Course:** Required

Specific goals for the course

**Outcomes of instruction:**

1. Effectively communicate technical information in written and oral formats.
2. Collaborate with a team of peers to undertake a design project.
3. Recognize the professional and ethical responsibilities of a materials engineer.
4. Identify and formulate a materials engineering design problem.
5. Define and prioritize realistic constraints for a materials engineering design problem.
6. Critically analyze the results of processing and/or characterization experiments.
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(3) An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences.
(4) An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts.
(5) An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives.
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Topics covered:
1. Engineering design methodology
2. Technical communication
3. Decision making strategies
4. Experimental design
5. Data analysis

Correlation between Outcomes of Instruction and Student Outcomes:

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