

ReadMeFirst EEL2880 RVC - Online
Welcome, Instructions, and Important Information 1

Please read and understand all items included here. These are all for your benefit and help with the course. Consider this your first assignment.

1. *You need to participate REGULARLY (each week – from the start) with viewing the lectures and making all submissions correct and on time or you will not do well in this class.
2. *YOU ARE IN A PARALLEL UNIVERSE with an In-class section. Your video lectures have the same content and time line. There are two video lectures a week which you need to view - see Syllabus weekly calendar.
3. *Your assignments and due dates are exactly the same as the In-class section. The exams are given on Canvas, ON LINE, and are due within the 24 hour time window of the same day as the In-class exams. **You have to log in to Canvas to take your Online exams and see exam grades.**
4. *This course is paperless. In order to receive any credit for submissions, you must follow the instructions and requirements. See the materials and instructions at <http://web.eng.fiu.edu/watsonh/PaperLess.pdf>
Additionally, the submission form is on the class web site for assignments and exercises.
5. *HOMEWORK GRADING is done only once per assignment and grades are in the Canvas grade sheet.

You must check the scores every week. This is where feedback for your homework submissions is given in the comments. The grading policy is also explained in the supplement folder. <https://web.eng.fiu.edu/watsonh/EEL2880/supplement/HomeworkGradingPolicy.pdf>

6. *There are 'Pop' participation quizzes. You will receive an email notification on the day of the quiz availability and a link to the quiz. It will be available until midnight on the day of the announcement. You need to be aware of the email when sent. The week of the quiz is shown on the Syllabus calendar. Review Quizzes are given the same weight for participation scoring.
7. *STAY CURRENT AND FOLLOW THE LECTURES EACH WEEK. You must stay in sync with for assignments and milestones. Be sure you read and understand the syllabus class policies, especially about turning assignments in on time on the date they are due. The web class portal is <https://web.eng.fiu.edu/watsonh/EEL2880/index.html>

Always **check the Syllabus calendar for due dates.** This is the master calendar for the course. Time management is a huge part of this course and part of the earning process. Participate in all the course activities and assignments and you will make a good grade.

8. *The first week introduces basic concepts tackles flow charts. The first homework is due on Tuesday of the second week. This course uses open source materials. Purchasing a text is not necessary. Viewing lectures is absolutely necessary.

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9. Class lecture materials have been supplemented with additional material posted on the class web site. Updates to lectures, software, and homework have occurred since the lectures were recorded and you need to be up-to-date. <https://web.eng.fiu.edu/watsonh/EEL2880/index.html>
10. *This class is presented using Windows. The second week you will install the IDE and Compiler. Mac and Linux versions of software are available, but are not covered within the scope of this class. If you have an old version of this software (CodeBlocks and MinGW) it must be removed before installing the versions used in this course.
11. *Learning a computer language requires **investing your time**. It takes time and practice for language concepts to be assimilated. According to the syllabus each week has a homework except after Exams. Assignments are due on Tuesday after the weekend - due dates are on syllabus.
12. *Tests are based on comprehension, not memorization. For this section they are given Online through Canvas. There are 3 Online exams and no Final exam. Exam dates are on the Syllabus calendar.
13. *If you are having problems please contact me my email. Send a screen shot of the error message with your best description to
watsonh_fiu@yahoo.com

This is the email I use for student class communications. If you don't communicate with me, you cannot receive feedback. **Do not fall behind**.
14. *A large part of the Learning process for programming involves **diagnosing your own problems**. Be prepared to work through the process.
15. *Make sure the email address you have registered on FIU Panthersoft (for classes) is one where you receive email. You should be receiving my communications through that address.

Do well and welcome to the course. Keep up.

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