Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

EEL 2880 - C Programming for Embedded Systems Summer 2025

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Class :

On Line - RVC

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Catalog Description:

Engineering problem solving process, overview of a generalized computing system, software development, real-life engineering applications, computational implications. (3 Credits)

Reference Textbook: Open source materials are used as instruction materials

Deitel & Deitel C How to Program ISBN 0-13-299044-X

Course Objectives:

Through successful completion of the course, the student will:

Understand the stages of the engineering problem solving process and their relationship to the development of software for its implementation. Learn the C programming language, as a vehicle for the solution of engineering problems.

Relationship of course to program outcomes:

- 1) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics
- 2) an ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors
- 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
- 6) an ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions
- 7) an ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies.

Grading Scale:		
A	92-100	"Florida International University is a community dedicated
A-	90-92	to generating and imparting knowledge through excellent teaching and research, the rigorous and respectful exchange
B+	88-90	of ideas, and community service. All students should respect
В	82-88	the right of others to have an equitable opportunity to learn
B-	80-82	and honestly to demonstrate the quality of their learning. Therefore, all students are expected to adhere to a standard
C+	78-80	of academic conduct, which demonstrates respect for
С	70-78	themselves, their fellow students, and the educational
D	60-69	mission of the University. All students are deemed by the University to understand that if they are found responsible
F	< 60	for academic misconduct, they will be subject to the Academic Misconduct procedures and sanctions, as outlined in the Student Handbook."

Department Regulations Concerning Incomplete Grades

To qualify for an Incomplete, a student:

- 1. Must contact (e.g., phone, email, etc.) the instructor or secretary before or during missed portion of class
- 2. Must be passing the course prior to that part of the course that is not completed
- 3. Must make up the incomplete work through the instructor of the course
- 4. Must see the Instructor. All missed work must be finished before last two weeks of the following term.

Policies:

- 1. **Academic Misconduct:** For work submitted, it is expected that each student will submit their own original work. Any evidence of duplication, cheating or plagiarism will result at least a failing grade for the course.
- 2. **Absences (In-Class only):** Resolution of absences and materials missed are student responsibility
 - a) **Unexcused Absences:** Two unexcused absences are permitted during the term. More than two will result in the loss of points from your final grade. (1 point per absence above two, 3 points per absence above 5).
 - b) **Excused Absences:** Only emergency medical situations or extenuating circumstances are excused with proper documentation.
 - 1. Request Mitigating Circumstances form
 - 2. Complete and submit form for review
- 3. **On Time (In-Class only):** As in the workplace, on time arrival and preparation are required.
- 4. **Deadlines: Work is due on the date specified.** Late submissions and corrections within one week will receive up to half credit. After one week, **late work will not be accepted.** Each assignment is reviewed for grades once only; late submissions are graded after the final exam. Participation deadlines are absolute no late completions are allowed.
- 5. **Submissions: This class is paperless.** Submissions are made using the web form listed on the class web site, not Canvas. All submissions must be
 - a) Captures of work must be whole screen images (include time and calendar)
 - b) Everything placed in a single word or pdf document stored on your own cloud storage
 - c) Contain your name, date, and time of completion within the document
 - d) Permission: accessible by anyone with link and readable with a browser
 - e) Use a single URL link to view the document
- 6. **DO NOT** submit work by email.
- 7. Instructor reserves right to change course materials or dates as necessary.

Grading Scale: NOTE: There are *no makeup exams* offered

Topic	Percentage	
Exam 1 no makeup	20%	
Exam 2 no makeup	25%	
Final no makeup	25%	
Project	15%	
Homework	10%	
Participation (Quizzes)	5%	
Attendance	Unexcused absence penalty based on in class policy	

Class Schedule:

In-Class - each session: Tuesday, Thursday Online – videos listed below by week

Wk	Module	2880 Calendar Topic	Homework
1	05/02 M01 & M02	Introduction, Flow Charts/ Integrated Development Environments V2: SFC, V3: install C::B, V4: IDE	HW01 Flow Chart HW02 Install IDE 05/20
2	05/19 M03	Objects / Expressions V5: Data Types, ForIf, V6: Scopes	HW03 Operators Quiz1 05/27
3	05/26 M04	Expressions / Statements – Print Pi & Burglar Alarm V7: PrintPi , V8: Burglar Alarm (bitwise operators)	HW04 Binary Print 06/03
4	06/02 M05	Statements – Switch/ While, For Loop Examples V9: McDucks , V10: For Examples PQBinary 06/05 - Thursday	Review Quiz2 06/10
5	06/09 M06	Tue, V11: Review / Thur 06/12: Exam 1	06/17
6	06/16 M07	Project Assigned / Arrays & Strings V12: Hist, Project V13: Array, String, Tires/Apples	HW05 Comments 06/24
7	06/23 M08	Pointers Deck: V14, Card functions: V15	HW06 Shuffle Deck 07/01
8	06/30 M09	Functions V16: APF Summary, Hist ptr/value V17: BBB, Deck solution PQDeck – Thursday 07/03 Exercise 1 Due 07/08	HW07 Play 2 Hands Quiz 3 07/08
9	07/07 M10	Tue, V18: Quiz 3 Review; Thursday 07/10 Exam 2	7/15
10	07/14 M11	Structures, File I/O V19: Structures, New, List V20: Stdio.h, Text file I/O Exercise 2 Due 07/22	HW08 Structures HW09 File I/O 07/22
11	07/21 M12 & M13	Structures, File I/O / PQStructures – Tuesday 07/22 V21: Binary I/O, Hex Dump, Text EOL V23: Alice/Plumbing HW / PQFileI/O 07/24	HW10 Plumbing Quiz4 for review only 07/29
12	07/28 M15	Tue, V24: Quiz4 Review File I/O Exercise 3 Project Due 07/29 Thur 07/31: Exam 3	