

## Syllabus for ME291-01: ME Seminar Series

Fall 2018

Instructor: James Palko

**Designation:** Mechanical Engineering Seminar Series

**Catalog Description:** Seminar series where external speakers deliver one-hour talks on current research

and development in various mechanical engineering fields relevant to the graduate program, including but not limited to fluids, structures, dynamics and

control and energy.

**Text Books and Other Required Materials:** 

None

Course Objectives/ Student Learning Outcomes: Students will be exposed to the breadth and depth of current Mechanical Engineering research, gain understanding into the context of there own study in the broader engineering field, and learn approaches to effectively convey

technical subjects.

Program Learning Outcomes:

**Prerequisites by Topic:** 

Must be a graduate student of the ME graduate program to receive credit for this

seminar series.

**Course Policies:** 

1. In general, please try to maximize the opportunity to learn in seminar for yourself and your fellow students. Please avoid activities that may distract those around you. 2. Please silence all electronic devices and refrain from using them during seminars.

Academic Dishonesty Statement:

a. Each student in this course is expected to abide by the University of California, Merced's Academic Honesty Policy. Any work submitted by a student in this course for academic credit will be the student's own work.

b. You are encouraged to study together and to discuss information and concepts covered in lecture and the sections with other students. You can give "consulting" help to or receive "consulting" help from such students. However, this permissible cooperation should never involve one student having possession of a copy of all or part of work done by someone else, in the form of an e mail, an e mail attachment file, a diskette, or a hard copy. Should copying occur, both the student who copied work from another student and the student who gave material to be copied will both automatically receive a zero for the assignment. Penalty for violation of this Policy can also be extended to include failure of the course and University disciplinary action.

c. During examinations, you must do your own work. Talking or discussion is not permitted during the examinations, nor may you compare papers, copy from others, or collaborate in any way. Any collaborative behavior during the examinations will result in failure of the exam, and may lead to failure of the course and University disciplinary action.

**Disability Statement:** 

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: The University of California Merced is committed to ensuring equal academic opportunities and inclusion for students with disabilities based on the principles of independent living, accessible

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> universal design and diversity. I am available to discuss appropriate academic accommodations that may be required for student with disabilities. Requests for academic accommodations are to be made during the first three weeks of the semester, except for unusual circumstances. Students are encouraged to register with Disability Services Center to verify their eligibility for appropriate

accommodations.

**Topics:** Topics throughout the range of all Mechanical Engineering practice are

considered.

Class/laboratory

**Schedule:** 

F 2:00-3:20pm CLSSRM 110

Midterm/Final Exam

**Schedule:** 

None

**Course Calendar:** 

22-AUG 07-DEC

**Professional Component:** 

Assessment/Grading

**Policy:** 

Graded as Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

Every graduate student registered for the course is expected to attend at least 90 % of the total number of held seminars in order to receive an S grade in this course. In addition, the student is expected to turn in a final paper (limited to 2 pages and due during the finals week) summarizing the seminars that he/she attended during the semester and potentially its relevance to their research topic. The attendance and the final paper will be weighted equally to determine the final grade (S/U) of the student. Your attendance will be indicated in the grades section on CatCourses and it is your responsibility to check that every week and

immediately notify the instructor if you did not receive credit for a seminar you

attended.

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