ENMA 490: Capstone Design Course (Required) – 3 credits

Class Schedule: Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00-14:50

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Textbook: NA

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Prerequisites: Senior standing in Materials Science and Engineering

Course goals:

The main objective is to allow students the opportunity to gain experience in: critical analysis of complex problems; design of materials systems and/or processes to address relevant problems; and teamwork. A student who takes this course should learn (1) to work as a team to apply fundamental knowledge of materials to a design problem, (2) about techniques for fabrication related to the specific project, (3) to produce written and oral design reports as a team, and (4) the role of ethics in engineering design.

Student Outcomes covered by the Course:
ABET A: Ability to apply mathematics, science and engineering principles;
ABET B: Ability to design and conduct experiments, analyze and interpret data.
ABET C: Ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs.
ABET D: Ability to function on multidisciplinary teams.
ABET E: Ability to identify, formulate and solve engineering problems.
ABET F: Understanding of professional and ethical responsibility
ABET G: Ability to communicate effectively;
ABET H: The broad education necessary to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global and societal context;
ABET I: Recognition of the need for and an ability to engage in life-long learning;
ABET J: Knowledge of contemporary issues
ABET K: Ability to use the techniques, skills and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice