

**EEL4712 Digital Design**  
**Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**  
**University of Florida**

**Spring Semester 2014**

**Catalog Description:** *Prereq: EEL3701.* Advanced modular logic, design languages, finite state machines and binary logic.

**Credit Hours:** 4

**Prerequisites by Topic:** Fundamentals of combinational and sequential digital logic.

**Course Objectives:** Students will gain fundamental knowledge and understanding of principles and practice in digital design through class lectures, reading assignments, and lab experiments using VHDL and field-programmable gate arrays.

**Contribution of course to meeting the professional component (ABET):** 4 hours of Engineering Design

**Relationship of course to program outcomes (ABET):** EE2, a, c, e, k

**Instructor(s):** Dr. Stitt (323 Benton, [gstitt@ece.ufl.edu](mailto:gstitt@ece.ufl.edu), [www.gstitt.ece.ufl.edu](http://www.gstitt.ece.ufl.edu))

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**Teaching Assistants:**

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**Meeting time:** Period 2, M W F (8:30am – 9:20am), MAEA 0303

**Laboratory schedule:**

M (E1E3), NEB 0281 (Section 1516)

R (E1E3), NEB 0281 (Section 1517)

W (9-11), NEB 0281 (Section 1518)

R (6-8), NEB 0281 (Section 1519)

T (6-8), NEB 0281 (Section 4362)

F (4-6), NEB 0281 (Section 4718)

F (7-9), NEB 0281 (Section 4719)

T (9-11), NEB 0281 (Section 5748)

R (9-11), NEB 0281 (Section 6857)

**Meeting Location:** MAEA 0303

**Required Textbook(s):**

- Brown, S. D. and Vranesic, Z. G., "Fundamentals of Digital Logic with VHDL Design", Second or Third Edition, McGraw-Hill

**Course Outline:** The following is an overview of the topics to be covered.

*I. Digital design building blocks and technologies*

- Review of commonly-used digital components: MUXes, deMUXes, decoders, encoders, adders, flip-flops, counters, registers, etc. In addition, we will learn to specify these components in VHDL.
- Carry-look-ahead adders, ALUs, multipliers
- Programmable logic devices: PAL's, PLA's, PROM's, CPLD's, and FPGA's
- Memories - RAM, dRAM, and ROM

*II. Digital design methodology and techniques for finite state machines (FSM) and FPGA's*

- Top-down, modular design
- Controller/controlled-component architecture
- ASM fundamentals and design methods
- Implementation methods - traditional, MUX, ROM, "one-hot"
- Design and Implementation techniques using FPGA's
- Testing and design for testing
- Digital design Examples (labs)

*III. Design environments and tools (lab-intensive)*

- Design life cycle using model digital development environments
- Design specification: graphical, VHDL
- Logic synthesis
- Simulation: functional and timing
- Timing analysis
- Device program
- Testing

**Lab Experiments:** A series of laboratory experiments will be assigned in synchronization with the topics covered in class lecture. Labs will involve pre-lab work that must be completed before the assigned lab time.

**Equipment:**

- An FPGA-based laboratory board (will be provided to you)
- Digilent Analog Discovery (must be purchased):  
<http://www.digilentinc.com/Products/Detail.cfm?Prod=ANALOG-DISCOVERY>

**Attendance:** highly recommended.

**Grading:**

- Midterm1: 20%
- Midterm2: 20%
- Midterm3: 20%
- Labs/Homework: 40%

**Grading Scale:** Final grade to be determined by curved average of exams and labs.

**Make-up Exam Policy:** Missed exams cannot be made up, except in case of documented medical emergency.

**Honesty Policy:** All students admitted to the University of Florida have signed a statement of academic honesty committing themselves to be honest in all academic work and understanding that failure to comply with this commitment will result in disciplinary action. This statement is a reminder to uphold your obligation as a UF student and to be honest in all work submitted and exams taken in this course and all others.

**Accommodation for Students with Disabilities:** Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. That office will provide the student with documentation that he/she must provide to the course instructor when requesting accommodation.

**UF Counseling Services:** Resources are available on-campus for students having personal problems or lacking clear career and academic goals. The resources include:

- University Counseling Center, 301 Peabody Hall, 392-1575, Personal and Career Counseling.
- SHCC mental Health, Student Health Care Center, 392-1171, Personal and Counseling.
- Center for Sexual Assault/Abuse Recovery and Education (CARE), Student Health Care Center, 392-1161, sexual assault counseling.
- Career Resource Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601, career development assistance and counseling.

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