

**ABE 6005**  
**Applied Control for Automation and Robotics**

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**Credits:** (3)

**Course Description:** *Prereq.: EML 5311, equivalent, or consent.* Introduction to industrial controls, programmable logic controllers, and manipulator application programming in agricultural and biological engineering. Kinematics, dynamics and control strategies for serial link manipulators in agricultural applications.

**Course Objectives:** To introduce students to common industrial control equipment and practices for agriculture, and food production automation applications. To provide students with a solid theoretical background in robot kinematics, dynamics and controls. To provide students with practical laboratory exercises in PLC programming, robot programming, and relay logic based controls.

**Course Meeting Schedule:** Rogers Hall Room 283

Lecture: Monday 5<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> period  
Lecture or Lab: Wednesday 5<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> period (Laboratory in 214 or 145)

**Required Text:**

*Robot Modeling and Control, M.W. Spong, S. Hutchinson, and M. Vidyasagar, John Wiley and Sons, Hoboken, NJ, 2006.*

**Recommended or Supplemental Text:**

*Robotics for Bioproduction Systems, N. Kondo, and K.C. Ting, ASAE, St. Joseph, MI. 1998.*  
*Mastering Simulink, J. B. Dabney, Pearson Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle River, NJ. 2004.*  
*Electrical Motor Controls, G. Rockis, ATP, Homewood, IL. 2001*

**Grading Criteria:**

Homework 40%  
Research Presentation I (cover topic in literature) 10%  
Research Presentation II (cover topic relevant to student's research) 10%  
Technical Projects 40%,

- 1) There will be approximately 8 homework assignments from the text.
- 2) Each student will give a 15 to 20 minute class presentation on a controls topic relevant to the class.
- 3) Each student will give a 15 to 20 minute class presentation on a controls topic relevant to

their research interest.

- 4) The student will work on several potential projects during the semester, such as listed.
  - a) Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) application
  - b). Fanuc Manipulator programming
  - c) Robotics Toolbox Simulation Project
  - d) MATLAB & Simulink modeling of Robot control
  - e) Robot Pic and Place Problem

**Grading Scale:** **A** (94-100%), **A-** (90-93%), **B+** (87-89%), **B** (80-86%), **C+** (77-79%), **C** (70-76%), **D** (60-69%), **E** (< 60%)

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- 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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