

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

Mechatronics 421 (MEG 421)

Undergraduate

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| Faculty | Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology |
| Module credits | 16.00 |
| Programmes | BEng Mechanical Engineering |
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| Prerequisites | No prerequisites. |
| Contact time | 3 lectures per week, 1 practical per week |
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Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Mechanical and Aeronautical En

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

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Sensors: limit switches, encoders, thermocouples, strain gauges, CCD cameras, various sensors. Actuators: electric motors, pneumatic and hydraulic actuators, shape memory alloys. Signal conditioning: component interconnection, amplifiers, analogue filters, modulators and demodulators, analogue-digital conversion, sample-and-hold circuitry, multiplexers, software and hardware implementation of digital filters and Wheatstone bridge. Control: H-Bridge and PWM motor control, stepper motors, non-linear control of hydraulic and pneumatic actuators, PLCs, SCADA systems, industrial Fieldbus, micro-processor control.

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