

Physics of Instrumentation (INCR 1402 6C1)

CREDIT

4 Semester Credit Hours (3 hours lecture, 4 hours lab)

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face

PREREQUISITE/CO-REQUISITE:

MATH 1332

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An introduction to simple control loops. Introduction to pressure, temperature, level, and flow transmitters. Introduction to transducers used in the detection of changes in process variables.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to

1. Demonstrate an understanding of process instruments and devices.
2. Understand and describe control loops.
3. Understand the control and detection of pressure, temperature, level, flow, pH, etc

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor: Thomas Bonds
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Office Location: PATC 228
Office Hours: Tuesday/Thursday 30 minutes before/after class.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIALS

1. Instrumentation 6th Edition by Franklyn W. Kirk, Thomas A Weedon, and Philip Kirk a.
2. ISBN number is 978-0-8-26934442-0 2.
3. Scientific Calculator
4. Notebook.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Regular attendance in class is important to achieve the educational objectives of the student and the Institute. Class attendance is restricted to those students registered for the course and to the guests invited by the instructor. Persons not properly registered for a course will not be permitted to attend class. Students are not permitted to bring any children to class. Children must not be left unattended on campus. If a student misses more than 25% (approximately 8 classes) of the entire semester, they will earn a grade of "F". There are no excused absences. If you are not in class that day, you will be counted absent.



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If you find it necessary to leave class early please plan with me before class starts. Please do not leave the room during lecture. If you do leave, please do not re-enter the room until after lecture. This includes bathroom breaks. Take them before class.

DROP POLICY

If you wish to drop a course, you are responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an “F” in the course.

COURSE CALENDAR

DATE	TOPIC	READINGS (Due on this Date)	ASSIGNMENTS (Due on this Date)
Week 1	Course intro/policies	None	None
Week 2	Introduction of Instruments and Temperature conversions.	Chapter 1	Classwork, lab safety
Week 3&4	Overview of industrial instrumentation and the principles of instruments, instrumentation diagrams, control and Temperature measurement	Chapter 1	Test 1
Week 5&6	Pressure • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises and Workbook exercises	Chapter 9,10	Classwork/lab exercises
Week 7&8	Pressure • Lecture • Lab: Temperature conversions. Setup and calibration of differential pressure transmitters.	Chapter 11, 12	Test 2
Week 9&10	Level • Lecture • Lab: Chapter and workbook Exercises and bench calibrations. Tracings loops on unit.	Chapters 13,14,15	Classwork/lab exercises
Week 11&12	Lecture • Lab: Workbook Exercises Set- up and calibration of differential pressure transmitters for level measurement.	Chapter 16, 17	Test 3
Week 13	Flow • Lecture • Lab: Workbook Exercises	Chapters 18, 19, 20	Classwork/lab exercises
Week 14, 15, 16	Flow • Lecture • Lab: Workbook exercises and set-up of flow transmitters. Implementation of temperature transmitters to measure flow.	Chapter 21, 22	End of chapter work Test 4

COURSE EVALUATION

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

- Exams 70% May include lecture and lab exams
- All other work 30% Classwork, Homework, and Labs

GRADE SCALE

- 90-100 A
- 80-89 B
- 70-79 C
- 60-69 D
- 0-59 F

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, etc. can be online at <https://lit.edu/online-learning/online-learning-minimum-computer-requirements>. A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of online technology and resources.

DISABILITIES STATEMENT

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. LIT provides reasonable accommodations as defined in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, to students with a diagnosed disability. The Special Populations Office is located in the Eagles' Nest Room 129 and helps foster a supportive and inclusive educational environment by maintaining partnerships with faculty and staff, as well as promoting awareness among all members of the Lamar Institute of Technology community. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409)-951-5708 or email specialpopulations@lit.edu. You may also visit the online resource at [Special Populations - Lamar Institute of Technology \(lit.edu\)](#).

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of all registered Lamar Institute of Technology students to access, read, understand and abide by all published policies, regulations, and procedures listed in the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook*. The *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* may be accessed at www.lit.edu. Please note that the online version of the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* supersedes all other versions of the same document.

STARFISH

LIT utilizes an early alert system called Starfish. Throughout the semester, you may receive emails from Starfish regarding your course grades, attendance, or academic performance. Faculty members record student attendance, raise flags and kudos to express concern or give praise, and you can make an appointment with faculty and staff all through the Starfish home page. You can also login to Blackboard or MyLIT and click on the Starfish link to view academic alerts and detailed information. It is the responsibility of the student to pay attention to these emails and information in Starfish and consider taking the recommended actions. Starfish is used to help you be a successful student at LIT.

ADDITIONAL COURSE POLICIES/INFORMATION

1. No food, drinks, or use of tobacco products in class.
2. No foul or harsh language will be tolerated
3. Turn off all Cell Phones during lectures, unless otherwise instructed by me
4. Clean up work station after you complete your lab assignments. Materials left at work station will result in 5 points deducted from that lab assignment.
5. Take care of tools and equipment used during class
4. Headphones may be worn only upon Instructor approval
5. Do not bring children to class.
6. No Cheating of any kind will be tolerated. Students caught cheating or helping someone to cheat can and will be removed from the class for the semester. Cheating can result from expulsion from LIT.
7. If you wish to drop a course, the student is responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an 'F' in the course.
8. Students must have access to, and knowledge of basic computer functions (including Blackboard)
9. Students should check Blackboard daily.
10. Internet Usage
 - a. Classroom computers have access to the internet.
 - b. Student usage of the internet will be monitored.
 - c. Proper usage of the internet will be allowed for classroom research, classwork, tests, and assignments as directed.
 - d. Any unauthorized usage of the Internet will not be tolerated.
 - e. Improper usage of the Internet, such as profanity, nudity, gambling, etc. will result in disciplinary action.
- 11. There will be NO make-up Exams if not communicated prior to test about the absence. If you miss an Exam for any reason without communication with instructor, you automatically forfeit your possible exemption from the Final.**
- 12. If you are more than 15 minutes late on Exam Day, the door will be locked, and you will receive a zero on that Exam.**