

New Jersey Institute of Technology
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering

IE 355-102 Human Factors in Industrial Engineering, Spring 2025
Class Schedule: Thursday 6:00 – 9:00 pm -- Location: Cullimore Hall LECT 1
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Lecture	Date	Topic	Readings
1	Jan 23	Introduction, History, & Systems	Ch. 1 Ch. 3: pp. 54-58 & 65-68
2	Jan 30	Human Information Processing Assignment: Quiz 1	Ch. 4
3	Feb 06	Methods Assignment: Quiz 2	Ch. 2 Ch. 3: Box 3.1 pp. 69-70
4	Feb 13	Visual & Auditory Perception Assignment: Quiz 3	Ch. 5 Ch. 7
5	Feb 20	Memory, Attention, & Mental Workload Assignment: Quiz 4	Ch. 9 Ch. 10
6	Feb 27	Decision Making Assignment: Quiz 5	Ch. 11 Ch. 12: pp. 327-328 Ch. 12: Box 12.1 pp. 331-333
	Mar 06	Midterm Exam 06:00 pm -08:00 pm	
7	Mar 13	Static, Dynamic, & Auditory Displays Assignment: Quiz 6	Ch. 8
8	Mar 27	Controls & Tracking Assignment: Quiz 7	Ch. 15 Ch. 16: Box 16.1 pp. 443-444
9	Apr 10	Compatibility Assignment: Quiz 8	Ch. 13
10	Apr 17	Cognitive & Motor Skills Assignment: Quiz 9	Ch. 14 Ch. 12: pp. 316-327
11	Apr 24	Hand Tools, RSI, & Anthropometry Assignment: Quiz 10	Ch. 16
12	May 01	Human Error, Accidents, & Warnings Assignment: Prepare your presentations	Ch. 3 Ch. 19: pp. 549-551
	May 06	Project Presentations, Project Papers Due	
	May 15	Final Exam (Grades posted on May 10)	

Textbook: Robert W. Proctor & Trisha Van Zandt (2017) *Human Factors in Simple and Complex Systems*, Third Edition. CRC Press ISBN 978-1482229561

- All required readings are in the textbook
- Yes, you need a copy of the textbook
- The text can be purchased or rented, also can be purchased or rented as a Kindle e-book

Evaluation:

- Midterm Exam – 25%
 - Lectures and reading up to exam day
 - Closed book and closed notes, in-class exam
 - Multiple choice and/or short written answer questions
 - No make-ups
- Weekly quizzes – in total: 25%
 - All quizzes are taken in class, No make-ups unless excused absence
- Final Exam – 25%
 - Second half of course
 - Closed book and closed notes, during final exam period
 - Multiple choice and/or short written answer questions
- Attendance and participation - 10%
- Project – 15%
 - Group project: groups of approximately 5 students
 - Topics reviewed via 1-paragraph written proposal (Print and Moodle/email)
 - Proposals due after midterm (proposals are not graded)
 - Presentations on last day of regular class (one per group)
 - Each group must also submit a single combined paper
 - Grade is combination of your paper and group presentation

I expect all students to follow the NJIT Student Honor Code (i.e. no cheating on exams); this is enforced.

Class Website: Canvas will be used for this class: <http://canvas.njit.edu/>

Canvas will be used for content distribution, distribution of homework, and general announcements. I do *not* plan to make much use of Moodle's interactive and chat features. Also I do not use Canvas for your semester grade, only for quizzes; *ignore* Canvas's overall grade reports.

Lecture slides will be available on Canvas in PDF format *on the morning of each lecture day*. Class announcements and study guides will also be made available on Canvas and through email.

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