

## ME 231-003 – Kinematics of Machinery

### **Meeting Times & Location:**

T, Th 4:00 – 5:20pm

ME 224

### **Course Description:**

ME 231 is an introductory course in the design, selection and evaluation of mechanisms for various applications

### **Prerequisites:**

CS101, ME234

### **Textbook Required:**

*"Design of Machinery, 6th Edition"*, Robert L. Norton, McGraw Hill, 2019

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### **Instructor:**

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### **Course Objectives:**

1. To develop skills for designing and analyzing linkages, cams, gears and other mechanisms
2. To provide a foundation for the study of machine design
3. To develop skills for use of mathematics software and for writing computer programs to solve kinematic problems

### **Class Topics: (\*Note: the following list should be considered a general outline of topics and not a definitive, chronological list of topics.)**

- Introduction to Kinematics
- Degrees of Freedom, Links & Joints
- The Grashof Condition
- Types of Motion
- Position Analysis of 4-bar Linkage, 4-bar Crank-Slider & 4-bar Slider-Crank
- Velocity Analysis of 4-bar Linkage, 4-bar Crank-Slider & 4-bar Slider-Crank
- Acceleration Analysis of 4-bar Linkage, 4-bar Crank-Slider & 4-bar Slider-Crank
- The Fundamental Law of Gearing
- Gear Tooth Nomenclature
- Interference, Undercutting, Contact Ratio
- Gear Types
- Simple Gear Trains & Compound Gear Trains
- Planetary Gear Trains
- Efficiency of Gear Trains
- Cam Design

**Grading:**

Final Exam: 30%  
2 Examinations: 20% each  
Homework: 25%  
Attendance: 5%

**Grading Scale:**

A: 100.00 – 90.00%  
B+: 89.99 – 87.00%  
B: 86.99 – 80.00%  
C+: 79.99 - 77.00%  
C: 76.99 - 70.00%  
D: 69.99 – 60.00%  
F: 59.99 – 0%

**Policies:**

Homework submitted after due date will be penalized as follows: ½ credit if one week late and no credit beyond one week.

**Statement on Academic Integrity:**

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<http://www5.njit.edu/policies/sites/policies/files/academic-integrity-code.pdf>.

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This course expects students to work without artificial intelligence (AI) assistance unless explicitly permitted by the instructor. Additionally, if and when students use AI in this course, the AI must be properly cited. If you have any questions or concerns about AI technology use in this class, please reach out to your instructor prior to submitting any assignments.

**Miscellaneous:** No eating in class