Bioengineering (BIOE)

Courses

BIOE 0856. Ethical Issues in Biomedical Science, Engineering and Technology. 3 Credit Hours.
At some point in our lives, each of us will be confronted with difficult biomedical and biotechnological questions that present an ethical dilemma. This course is designed to enable you to critically address important issues in ethics that arise from advances in these fields. We will consider potential advantages of using modern technologies to improve human health, in contrast to the risks associated with their application. Some of the questions we will pose include: Is it acceptable to use technology to restore our bodies to a pre-injury state? If so, what about using technology to enhance our bodies to improve our performance? What are the implications of the use of reproductive technology that results in one child having three biological parents? Can a physician text a picture of an X-ray to another colleague? These questions, and many others, will be explored in detail through class and small group discussions, coupled with analysis of current news events and scientific publications. Evidence-based approaches will be used to investigate issues related to a variety of subjects including use/overuse of imaging modalities, organ transplant, regenerative tissue engineering and medicine, human enhancements, genetic engineering, personalized medicine, reproductive control (e.g., IVF, surrogate pregnancy), cloning, stem cell use, medical privacy in the era of the electronic medical record, texting, and Instagram, and animal testing for cosmetics, drugs, or medical devices.

Course Attributes: GS

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 2001. Frontiers in Bioengineering. 2 Credit Hours.
This survey course will provide a first introduction to the wide scope of biomedical engineering, with emphasis on the application of engineering principles to solving problems in biology and medicine. Specific topics will include biomechanics; bioimaging; bioinstrumentation and biomedical devices; artificial organs; computational biology and bioinformatics; biomaterials and drug delivery; cellular, tissue and regenerative engineering; and nanobiotechnology. At the end of this introductory course the students will be familiar with some of the major molecular, cellular, physiological and engineering principles that allow for problem solving in the vast area of biomedical engineering. Thus the students will be prepared to study in depth some of the specialized topics of bioengineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 2101. Engineering Principles of Physiological Systems. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will introduce biomedical engineering students to quantitative modeling of physiological systems. It will cover fundamental topics in physiology ranging from cell membrane models and chemical messengers to neuronal signaling and control of body movement. In addition, specific physiological systems are discussed in detail, including the cardiovascular, pulmonary, and visual systems. Furthermore, pharmacokinetic models provide quantitative assessment of the dynamics of drug distribution and compartmental interactions. Hands-on laboratories combining actual experiments with computer simulations will reinforce the contents of classroom teaching.

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Pre-requisites:
Biol 1111|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently
OR Biol 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently
OR Biol 1012|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently
OR Biol 1911|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently
OR Biol 2912|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently.
BIOE 2301. Quantitative Pathophysiology. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will introduce students to fundamental principles of human pathophysiology. Students will gain a systems level understanding of disease processes necessary for the rational design of novel therapeutic and diagnostic technologies. The course will integrate basic biological science and fundamental engineering principles in the evaluation of clinical disease manifestations. Topics that will be covered include: fundamental concepts of cellular homeostasis; cellular responses (adaptation, injury, cell death) induced by stress, injurious stimuli, and disease, and systemic models of major diseases within the US (cardiac, neoplastic, cerebrovascular, traumatic, neurodegenerative, diabetic, and pulmonary).

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Pre-requisites:
BIOL 1111|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1012|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1911|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 2912|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 2302. Cellular and Molecular Biology for Bioengineers. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will enhance the basic knowledge of the students in quantitative cell and molecular biology from the vantage point of a bioengineer, focusing on molecular mechanisms and cellular functions, specifically in cell-cell and cell-matrix communications. Textbook learning will be supplemented with results from recent research and technological innovations in biology. After completing this course, bioengineering students will be able to apply their aptitude in the quantitative, physical and engineering sciences to modern biology. Students will also learn the principles how to establish and test biological models.

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Pre-requisites:
BIOE 2101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 2312. Mechanics for Bioengineering I. 4 Credit Hours.
This course will provide students with an understanding of the application of statics and strength of materials to biomechanical problem analyses. Topics will introduce basic concepts of mechanics and kinetic analyses with application to physiologic loading and motion in the body.

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Pre-requisites:
(PHYS 1062|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)
AND (MATH 1042|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MATH 1942|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (ENGR 1101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 2001|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)

BIOE 2401. Bioengineering Design I. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will incorporate the 5-steps of the Design Thinking process in a project-based learning (PBL) environment focusing on bioengineering-specific projects. During these open-ended projects, the students will work in small teams that will a) delve deeply into the development of the problem statements and designing potential solutions during the first part of the semester and b) move on to designing, creating, and testing prototypes and writing up the supporting documentation in the second part of the semester. It will introduce and reinforce key engineering tools, such as Matlab, data acquisition with LabView, and data analysis.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(MATH 1042|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (PHYS 1062|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR PHYS 2022|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (ENGR 1101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 2001|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)
BIOE 3001. Research Design and Methods in Bioengineering. 2 Credit Hours.
In this course the upper division students will learn how to integrate fundamental principles of biology, chemistry, engineering, mathematics (including statistics) and physics to develop practical solutions for a variety of biomedical problems from cells to organisms. Students will use both engineering (methodology) and scientific (hypothesis) approaches to problem-solving thereby learning to distinguish between the two approaches. This course will teach the students the fundamental principles underlying modern measurements and control instrumentation utilized in science and engineering. Taking a quantitative and hands-on approach to measurement theory and practice, this course will present and analyze example instruments currently used in academic and industrial research. In addition, the students will consider and discuss bioethical issues involving biological and living systems. Specific bioethics topics that will be covered include stem cells, patents, conflict of interest, patient rights, animal rights, organ donation, and data manipulations but are not limited to them.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
Pre-requisites:
(MATH 1041|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MATH 1941|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MATH 1038|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
AND (BIOL 1111|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1012|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1911|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 2912|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

BIOE 3101. BioE Lab #1 - Bioelectrical Engineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This laboratory class will introduce students to the empirical study of bioelectric phenomena in physiological systems. This includes the origin of biopotentials, the use of biopotential electrodes in their measurements and subsequent amplification, signal processing and analysis of their physiological relevance. Applications of physical principles and basic electric engineering techniques are emphasized.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
Pre-requisites:
(BIOE 3201|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)
AND (PHYS 1062|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR PHYS 2022|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
AND (MATH 1042|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MATH 1942|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 2001|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)

BIOE 3102. BioE Lab #2 - Biomaterials. 3 Credit Hours.
This laboratory class will teach students experimental methods used to prepare and characterize biomaterials used in biomedical engineering. Students will learn basic techniques for the fabrication and characterization tools used for polymeric biomaterials, and investigate structure-property relationships as it applies to thermal, mechanical, surface and morphological properties of polymeric biomaterials.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
Pre-requisites:
(BIOE 2101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 3001|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)
BIOE 3201. Biomedical Instrumentation. 2 Credit Hours.
This course will introduce the upper division students to the fundamentals of medical instrumentation. Specifically, it will teach the physiological/physicochemical, biomechanical, computational and electronic principles governing the operation of select medical instrumentation. Focusing on classical and modern instrumentation used in specific clinical departments, such as cardiology, pulmonary medicine and critical care, radiology, and anesthesiology, the course will also introduce the students to the operation, safety aspects, and calibration of electronic, optical and acoustical instruments, as well as those involving ionizing radiation.

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Pre-requisites:
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AND (MATH 1042|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MATH 1942|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

BIOE 3301. Biomedical Signals and Systems. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will expose students to digital signal processing with emphasis on problems in biomedical research and clinical medicine. It covers principles and algorithms for processing signals and systems in both continuous and discrete time domains with examples from biomedical signal processing and control. Theory and practice of Continuous-time linear systems: convolution, steady-state responses, Fourier and Laplace transforms, transfer functions, poles and zeros, stability, sampling, feedback. Discrete-time linear systems: Z transform, filters, Fourier transform, signal processing. This class will make extensive use of Matlab projects.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
MATH 2101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR ENGR 2011|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR MEE 2011|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 3302. Drug Delivery. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will cover the engineering principles utilized in the design of drug delivery systems. Topics will include: drug delivery mechanisms (oral, parenteral, passive, targeted, etc.); therapeutic modalities and mechanisms of action; engineering principles of controlled release and quantitative understanding of drug transport (diffusion, convection); effects of electrostatics, macromolecular conformation, and molecular dynamics on interfacial interactions; thermodynamic principles of self-assembly; chemical and physical characteristics of delivery molecules and assemblies (polymer based, lipid based); significance of biodistributions and pharmacokinetic models; toxicity issues and immune responses.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(CHEM 2201|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (MATH 3041|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)
Bioengineering (BIOE) 3303. Biotransport Phenomena. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will provide students with a quantitative understanding of momentum transport (viscous flow) and mass transport (convection and diffusion) in living systems. The application of engineering methods to model and quantify aspects of bioengineering systems will be covered. Emphasis will be placed on the analysis of fluid flow phenomena in the cardiovascular and respiratory system as well as other human organ systems.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(ENGR 3571|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
AND (MATH 3041|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)

BioE 3312. Mechanics for Bioengineering II. 4 Credit Hours.
This course will provide students with an understanding of the application of mechanics of solids and dynamics to engineering problem analyses. Topics will introduce basic concepts of dynamics and mechanics with application to physiologic loading and motion in the body.

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Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
BIOE 2312|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BioE 3331. Principles of Macromolecular Science. 3 Credit Hours.
In this course students will gain an understanding of the fundamentals of polymer physical chemistry. We will cover polymer structure and conformation, bulk and solution thermodynamics and phase behavior, polymer networks, and viscoelasticity. We will also apply engineering principles to the analysis of biomacromolecules, such as proteins, polysaccharides and oligonucleotides. Upon the completion of the course, students should be able to understand the influence of monomer structure, temperature, solution conditions, degree of polymerization and 3D conformation on the function of biopolymers.

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Pre-requisites:
CHEM 1032|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1952|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BioE 3511. Interactions of Biomaterials with Living Tissues. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will cover topics that illustrate how biomaterials interact with living tissues, focusing on cell culture, immunology, cell-biomaterial interfaces, and cell signaling. The students will learn the fundamentals maintaining living cells in culture and how these cells react to the presence of biomaterials using lecture and laboratory format.

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OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
BIOE 3719. Introduction to Bioengineering. 3 Credit Hours.
Course topics include biomaterials and implant materials, research proposal preparation, tyrosine-derived synthetic polymer devices for tissue engineering spine biomechanics, cellular material biomechanics, orthopedic biomechanics, hydroxyapatite/polymer composites, applications of injury biomechanics, biomechanics of the lower extremities, principles of polymers used in dental and biomaterials, interfaces in biomaterials. Students will be required to prepare a proposal for a design-oriented term project (i.e. rationale, concept and design, but no actual construction).

Class Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Classes: Junior 60 to 89 Credits, Senior 90 to 119 Credits, Senior/Fifth Year 120+ Credits.
College Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Colleges: Engineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 3725. Cell Biology for Engineers. 3 Credit Hours.
Cell Biology for Engineers is a basic course that introduces biological concepts in modern cellular and molecular biology to engineering students. Topics will include the chemical composition of cells, bioenergetics and metabolism, structure and function of the plasma membrane, transport across membranes, the cytoplasmic membrane system, the extracellular matrix, interactions between cells and their environment, the cytoskeleton and cell motility, sensory systems, and cell signaling. In addition, an introduction to basic anatomy and physiology of vertebrates will include the skeletal system, muscle system, cardiovascular system, and nervous system.

College Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Colleges: Engineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 4101. BioE Lab #3 - Biomechanics. 3 Credit Hours.
In this course students will apply principles of engineering mechanics in the design and utilization of biomechanical instrumentation. Principles of transduction, mechanics, sampling theory, strain, temperature, and flow measurement as applied to biomechanical systems will be covered. A background in data acquisition, electrical safety, operational amplifier and bridge circuits, and measurements is provided. Students will investigate the biomechanics of the musculoskeletal and cardiovascular systems in normal and pathological states.

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Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
BIOE 3101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 4278. Cardiac Devices. 3 Credit Hours.
Intended for electrical engineering, biology, and bioengineering students. No course prerequisites. This course will cover cardiac anatomy and physiology, the heart's electrical system in health and disease, cardiac ECG rhythm interpretation, design and function of ECG monitoring devices, pacemakers and external and implanted defibrillators, and arrhythmia detection algorithms. The course will include observation of pacemaker implants, and troubleshooting in a pacemaker follow-up clinic. The course will prepare students to take the Heart Rhythm Society Allied Professional Pacemaker Certification examination. It is intended to put students in a competitive advantage for getting jobs in the expanding pacemaker and other medical electronics device industries.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
BIOE 4301. Bioengineering Seminar. 1 Credit Hour.
This seminar is intended for bioengineering students who are interested in acquiring hands-on presentation skills and, in addition, keeping up-to-date with the bioengineering research fields. The aim of the class is to allow upper division students to present a summarized view of a specific bioengineering or biomedical engineering topic. Specific topics that will be suggested to be covered (by the students) are biomaterials, tissue/regenerative engineering, bioimaging, biosensing, bionanotechnology (or nanobiotechnology), neuroengineering, bioinformatics (computational), biomechanics, (but are not limited to them). Guest lecturers from academia and industry will be invited to talk on several occasions.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
BIOE 2001|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 4311. The Entrepreneurial Bioengineer. 2 Credit Hours.
Recognizing the increasingly entrepreneurial landscape of Bioengineering, this course will introduce the students to the fundamentals of entrepreneurship and is designed to provide students with a working knowledge of the modern entrepreneurial and business planning and the regulatory process with the special focus on translational development of bioengineering products from the bench to the bedside.

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Class Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Classes: Junior 60 to 89 Credits, Senior 90 to 119 Credits, Senior/Fifth Year 120+ Credits.

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Pre-requisites:
BIOE 2001|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 4333. Applied Biospectroscopy. 3 Credit Hours.
This course introduces the basics of light propagation in tissue and other turbid media, vibrational spectroscopy, absorption and fluorescence, and emerging spectroscopic applications. Emphasis is on applications for assessment of biomolecules, engineered tissues and clinically-relevant analyses including musculoskeletal disease and cancer diagnosis. Multivariate analyses for complex spectral data sets will also be introduced.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Undergraduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(MATH 3041|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (PHYS 1061|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
OR PHYS 1961|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR PHYS 2021|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR PHYS 2921|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
AND (BIOL 1111|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
OR BIOL 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1012|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 1911|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOL 2912|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
BIOE 4411. Capstone Elective: Biomaterials. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will focus on materials and design parameters used to develop human implant devices, bulk and surface characterization methods for biomaterials, biocompatibility, failure mechanisms of current biomaterials, and regulatory requirements for design and testing of human implant devices. Special attention will be given to biomaterials used in tissue regeneration, orthopedics, and controlled drug delivery.

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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(BIOE 2101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (CHEM 2201|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

BIOE 4421. Capstone Elective: Bionanotechnology. 3 Credit Hours.
This course is intended for upper division students interested in acquiring knowledge involving nanometer-sized objects frequently utilized within the biomedical sciences and engineering areas. The aim of the class is to introduce fundamental concepts critical in the design, preparation, analysis, and usage of bionanotechnology (or nanobiotechnology) and its multiple bottom-up and top-down approaches. Multiple nanomaterials categories, such as nanoparticles, nanotubes, biomacromolecules, synthetic polymers, and self-assembled structures, will be covered in detail along with their applications.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(CHEM 2201|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 1301|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

BIOE 4431. Capstone Elective: Neuroengineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will teach students how signals are generated and propagated in neurons and neuronal circuits, and how this knowledge can be utilized to engineer devices to assist people with neurologic disease or injury. The functions of neurons as discrete elements and as parts of neuronal assemblies will be examined; generator and action potentials; conduction in nerve fibers and across synaptic junctions; analysis of sensory and neuromuscular systems; EEG and EKG waveforms. At the completion of the course, students will have gained a fundamental understanding of neural interface/prosthetics design parameters from basic neural physiology to models of neural mechanisms. We will also review advanced neural interfaces currently being developed and or produced commercially by the field.

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Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

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AND (MATH 3041|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)

BIOE 4441. Capstone Elective: Biomechanics. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will provide students with an understanding of the mechanics of cells, tissue, and organ systems as well as methods for their analysis. Topics will include motion-actuating, force generating, and load-supporting mechanisms in the musculoskeletal system, as explained from basic engineering principles. We will also cover experimental and analytical approaches to designing load bearing implants and prosthetic devices.

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Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.
College Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Colleges: Engineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
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OR BIOE 3725|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 3312|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
OR (ENGR 2332|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND ENGR 2333|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
**BIOE 4451. Capstone Elective: Biomedical Imaging. 3 Credit Hours.**
In this course students learn how light, X-rays, radiopharmaceuticals, ultrasound, magnetic fields, and other energy probes are generated and how they interact with tissues and detectors to produce useful image contrast. Practical issues such as beam generation, dose limitations, patient motion, spatial resolution and dynamic range limitations, and cost-effectiveness will be addressed. Emphasis will be placed on diagnostic radiological imaging physics, including the planar X-ray, digital subtraction angiography mammography, computed tomography, nuclear medicine, ultrasound, and magnetic resonance imaging modalities.

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**Field of Study Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

**Repeatability:** This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

**Pre-requisites:**
- (PHYS 1062|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
- AND (CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR BIOL 1012|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR BIOL 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR BIOL 1911|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- OR BIOL 2912|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
- AND (MATH 3041|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

**BIOE 4461. Capstone Elective: Principles of Tissue Engineering. 3 Credit Hours.**
This course will introduce fundamental concepts of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine, focusing on biomaterials used for scaffolds, mechanisms of cell-biomaterial interactions, biocompatibility and foreign body response, cellular engineering, and tissue biomechanics. Principles of cell/developmental and stem cell biology will be introduced, which will enable the students to apply a multidisciplinary approach to engineering select tissues and organs, such as the musculoskeletal system, cardiovascular tissues, the nervous system, and to design artificial organs. These topics will also be discussed in the context of scale-up, manufacturing, ethical and regulatory concerns. Note: Prior to fall 2017, the course title was “Capstone Elective: Principles of Tissue and Regenerative Engineering.”

**Department Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Departments: Engineering:Bio Engineering.

**Field of Study Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

**Repeatability:** This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

**Pre-requisites:**
- (BIOE 2101|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
- AND (CHEM 2202|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)

**BIOE 4500. Special Topics in Bioengineering. 3 Credit Hours.**
An emerging or advanced area of bioengineering research will be covered. Topics vary by semester.

**Field of Study Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Fields of study: Bioengineering.

**Repeatability:** This course may be repeated for additional credit.

**BIOE 4501. Regenerative Engineering. 3 Credit Hours.**
This course is a continuation of fundamental concepts introduced in Principles of Tissue and Regenerative Engineering focusing on developmental biology used in tissue engineering and regenerative medicine. Principles of cell development/biology, cell-cell interactions, signal transduction, and stem cell biology will be discussed with applications to regenerative medicine. These topics will also be discussed in the context of scale-up, manufacturing, ethical and regulatory concerns.

**Department Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Departments: Engineering:Bio Engineering.

**Field of Study Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

**Class Restrictions:** Must be enrolled in one of the following Classes: Senior 90 to 119 Credits, Senior/Fifth Year 120+ Credits.

**Repeatability:** This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

**Pre-requisites:**
- BIOE 4461|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.
BIOE 4555. Capstone Elective - Biophotonics: Seeing is Believing. 3 Credit Hours.

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Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Fields of study: Bioengineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(PHYS 1062|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR PHYS 2022|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (CHEM 2202|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOL 2112|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR BIOE 3102|Minimum Grade of C-|May be taken concurrently)

BIOE 4741. Biomaterials for Engineers. 3 Credit Hours.

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Field of Study Restrictions: May not be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.

Class Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Classes: Junior 60 to 89 Credits, Senior 90 to 119 Credits, Senior/Fifth Year 120+ Credits.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
CHEM 1031|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1035|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently
OR CHEM 1951|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.

BIOE 5301. Biosignals. 3 Credit Hours.

This course offers a deep overview of the signals in the Biomedical fields. Signals are studied in several modalities, including time frame, frequency frame, and statistical frame. A deep analysis of filters and analysis tools is included together with some basic techniques of storing and pattern interpretation techniques. Furthermore, the course gives to the student the necessary knowledge to realize a complete Data Acquisition, Analysis and Logging using LabView as a tool. The laboratory activities include the development of a complete system to do acquisition, analysis, report and logging of data incoming from sensors.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5311. The Entrepreneurial Bioengineer. 3 Credit Hours.

This course provides a practical overview of all stages of development of medical devices in regenerative medicine, from idea to launch of a company and commercialization of the product into international markets to address unmet medical needs. We will review the initial idea, based on an unmet medical need, review issues of intellectual property creation, determination of target markets, pre-clinical and clinical development, and different regulatory pathways leading to product approval and market introduction. We will discuss issues of company formation, financing and management, as well as target markets and avenues towards revenue generation. Note: Prior to fall 2017, the course title was “Entrepreneurial Studies in Regenerative Medicine - From Idea to Medical Practice”.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
BIOE 5321. Biosensors. 3 Credit Hours.
This course offers an in-depth overview of several sensors used in the Biomedical Fields. The sensors are analyzed from an engineering point of view going from the physical principles to the necessary filtering and linearization studying the characteristics of output signals. The course also gives the student the necessary basis for Data Acquisition using LabView as a tool. The laboratory activities include the connection of sensors, the study of amplification, linearization and interpretation of data.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5333. Applied Biospectroscopy. 3 Credit Hours.
This course introduces the basics of light propagation in tissue and other turbid media, vibrational spectroscopy, absorption and fluorescence, and emerging spectroscopic applications. Emphasis is on applications for assessment of biomolecules, engineered tissues and clinically-relevant analyses including musculoskeletal disease and cancer diagnosis. Multivariate analyses for complex spectral data sets will also be introduced.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5421. Capstone Elective: Bionanotechnology. 3 Credit Hours.
This course is intended for graduate students interested in acquiring knowledge involving nanometer-sized objects frequently utilized within the biomedical sciences and engineering areas. The aim of the class is to introduce fundamental concepts critical in the design, preparation, analysis, and usage of bionanotechnology (or nanobiotechnology) and its multiple bottom-up and top-down approaches. Multiple nanomaterials categories, such as nanoparticles, nanotubes, biomacromolecules, synthetic polymers, and self-assembled structures, will be covered in detail along with their applications.

Department Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Departments: Engineering: Bio Engineering.
Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5431. Neuroengineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will teach students how signals are generated and propagated in neurons and neuronal circuits, and how this knowledge can be utilized to engineer devices to assist people with neurologic disease or injury. The functions of neurons as discrete elements and as parts of neuronal assemblies will be examined; generator and action potentials; conduction in nerve fibers and across synaptic junctions; analysis of sensory and neuromuscular systems; EEG and EKG waveforms. At the completion of the course, students will have gained a fundamental understanding of neural interface/prosthetics design parameters from basic neural physiology to models of neural mechanisms. We will also review advanced neural interfaces currently being developed. The course will end with coverage of selected frontiers of neuroscience, including neurogenetic techniques, viral methods, and optogenetics.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5441. Biomechanics. 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: [BIOE 2101 (Engineering Principles of Physiological Systems) with a minimum grade of C-, or BIOE 5737 (Systems Physiology for Engineers) with a minimum grade of B-, or equivalent course] and [BIOE 2312 (Mechanics for Bioengineering I) with a minimum grade of C-, or [ENGR 2331 (Engineering Statics) with a minimum grade of C- and ENGR 2333 (Mechanics of Solids) with a minimum grade of C-), or equivalent course] and [BIOE 3312 (Mechanics for Bioengineering II) with a minimum grade of C-, or ENGR 2332 (Engineering Dynamics) with a minimum grade of C-, or equivalent course]
This course will provide students with an understanding of the mechanics of cells, tissue, and organ systems as well as methods for their analyses. Topics will include motion-actuating, force generating, and load-supporting mechanisms in the musculoskeletal system, as explained from basic engineering principles. We will also cover experimental and analytical approaches to designing load bearing implants and prosthetic devices.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.
College Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Colleges: Engineering.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
BIOE 5451. Biomedical Imaging. 3 Credit Hours.
This course focuses on principles of diagnostic radiological imaging physics, including X-ray, computed tomography, and nuclear medicine, as well as optical imaging, ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging modalities. The interaction of these modalities with tissues and detectors to produce useful image contrast will be presented, and students will gain an understanding of the basic physics of image acquisition and algorithms for image generation. Signal and noise characteristics, image quality and image reconstruction algorithms will also be covered. Image processing through MATLAB programming will be covered in class and in assignments.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5461. Principles of Tissue Engineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will introduce fundamental concepts of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine, focusing biomaterials used for scaffolds, mechanisms of cell-biomaterial interactions, biocompatibility and foreign body response, cellular engineering, and tissue biomechanics. Principles of cell/developmental and stem cell biology will be introduced, which will enable the students to apply a multidisciplinary approach to engineering select tissues and organs, such as the musculoskeletal system, cardiovascular tissues, the nervous system, and to design artificial organs. These topics will also be discussed in the context of scale-up, manufacturing, ethical and regulatory concerns. Note: Prior to fall 2017, the course title was “Principles of Tissue and Regenerative Engineering.”

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5500. Special Topics in Bioengineering. 3 Credit Hours.
An emerging or advanced area of bioengineering research will be covered. Topics vary by semester.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 5501. Regenerative Engineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This course is a continuation of fundamental concepts introduced in Principles of Tissue and Regenerative Engineering focusing on developmental biology used in tissue engineering and regenerative medicine. Principles of cell development/biology, cell-cell interactions, signal transduction, and stem cell biology will be discussed with applications to regenerative medicine. These topics will also be discussed in the context of scale-up, manufacturing, ethical and regulatory concerns.

Department Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Departments: Engineering:Bio Engineering.
Field of Study Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Majors: Bioengineering.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:
(BIOE 5461|Minimum Grade of B-|May not be taken concurrently)
AND (BIOE 5721|Minimum Grade of B-|May not be taken concurrently)

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Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.
BIOE 5719. Introduction to Bioengineering. 3 Credit Hours.
This course offers an introduction to biomedical engineering, a diverse and evolving field that integrates engineering principles, life sciences, clinical medicine, research and engineering design, with the overall goal of improving health care and quality of life. Professors with expertise in specific fields of biomedical engineering will present lectures and discussions on a broad range of topics, including tissue engineering and regenerative medicine, biomaterials, biomechanics, bioinstrumentation, biomedical imaging and optics, and signal processing.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5721. Cell Biology for Engineers. 3 Credit Hours.
This course introduces biological concepts in modern cellular and molecular biology to engineering students. Topics will include the chemical composition of cells, bioenergetics and metabolism, structure and function of the plasma membrane, transport across membranes, the cytoplasmic membrane system, the extracellular matrix, interactions between cells and their environment, the cytoskeleton and cell motility, sensory systems, and cell signaling. In addition, an introduction to basic anatomy and physiology of vertebrates will include the skeletal system, muscle system, cardiovascular system, and nervous system.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5737. Systems Physiology for Engineers. 3 Credit Hours.
Systems Physiology is designed for graduate students majoring in engineering and for others interested in studying physiological processes from the molecular level to the organ/systems level. Among the topics covered are: scaling, respiration, circulation, cardiac process, renal function, muscle function, neuromuscular junction, neural processes, and temperature regulation. The course stresses the application of energetic and informational principles to the study of the body.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5741. Biomaterials for Engineers. 3 Credit Hours.
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Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 5999. Research Experience in Bioengineering. 0 Credit Hours.
Research Experience provides graduate students laboratory experiences/research practices prior to undertaking independent, directed, master project, master’s thesis, or dissertation research. This course allows graduate students the opportunity to learn to use laboratory equipment, designing and carrying out an experiment(s), collecting preliminary data, field experiences, and participation in laboratory meeting, etc. with faculty which may lead to identifying a faculty mentor. The course will be graded as Pass or Fail. The Research Experience is a non-repeatable course. After the completion of this Research Experience course, students will need to be enrolled in independent study, directed research, master’s research, master’s thesis, dissertation proposal, or dissertation if they continue in an active research program.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

BIOE 9182. Independent Study. 1 to 6 Credit Hours.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9282. Independent Study II. 3 Credit Hours.
Special study in a particular aspect of engineering under the direct supervision of a graduate faculty member. May be taken once by Ph.D. students.

Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.
BIOE 9991. Directed Research. 1 to 3 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9994. BioEngineering Preliminary Examination Preparation. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9995. BioEngineering Project Research. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9996. BioEngineering Thesis Research. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9998. Bioengineering Pre-Dissertation Research. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

BIOE 9999. BioEngineering Dissertation Research. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.
Level Registration Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Levels: Graduate.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.