

**Course Syllabus for ECE400:  
"Professional Development and Career Guidance"**  
Spring 2012

**Class Time and Location:** Th 12:30-13:20 in EE170

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**Course wiki:** [https://www.projectrhea.org/rhea/index.php/2012\\_Spring\\_ECE\\_400](https://www.projectrhea.org/rhea/index.php/2012_Spring_ECE_400)

## Grading

Your course grade will be based on your score on writing assignments and your course attendance. Everyday that you fully attend the lecture, you will receive one point. If you arrive late, you will lose half a point. If you leave early, you will also lose half a point. Everytime you behave in a disrespectful manner during class (e.g., texting, cell phone ringing, playing games, surfing the web, etc.), you will lose half a point. If your course attendance score is less than 9 (out of a maximum of 15), you will automatically get an F for the course.

If your attendance score is at least 9 (out of a maximum of 15), your course grade will be computed as follows:

- 85% Writing Assignments
- 15% Course Attendance

## Submission Procedure and Late Policy

All assignments are due in hard copy form at the beginning of class. Email submission will not be accepted. Five points (out of 100) will be taken off for every day late. Handing in at the end of class counts as one day late.

## Academic integrity policy

The ECE faculty expect every member of the Purdue community to practice honorable and ethical behavior both inside and outside the classroom. Any actions that might unfairly improve a student's score on homework or attendance will be considered cheating and will not be tolerated. Examples of cheating include (but are not limited to):

- Sharing results or other information on a homework.

- Requesting a regrade of answers or work that has been altered.
- Filing an attendance sheet for an absent student.

At the instructor's discretion, cheating on an assignment or an attendance sheet will result in a reduced score, a zero score, or a failing grade for the course. All occurrences of academic dishonesty will be reported to the Assistant Dean of Students and copied to the ECE Associate Head for Education. If there is any question as to whether a given action might be construed as cheating, please see the instructor before you engage in any such action.

## Emergency procedures

In the event of a major campus emergency, course requirements, deadlines and grading percentages are subject to changes that may be necessitated by a revised semester calendar or other circumstances. In such an event, information will be provided through the course wiki.

## Course Outcomes

A student who successfully fulfills the course requirements will have demonstrated:

1. an ability to communicate ideas in a written form. [6.7;g]
2. an awareness of skills necessary to achieve success in the workplace. [3,5,7;i,k]
3. The ability to research and evaluate current events in an engineering context. [4,5,7;h,i,j,k]
4. An understanding of the role of ethical engineering in the work environment. [6,7;f,h,j]