ME 475 – Manufacturing Enterprise Systems – Automation and Product Realization

Course description: Manufacturing automation and product realization; Role of information technology and electronic data in manufacturing enterprise systems; Product Life-Cycle Management (PLM) and related tools and processes; Sustainable and Green manufacturing

Number of credits: 3

Course Coordinator: S. Jayaram

Prerequisites by course: MME Computer Programming Course, ME 316

Prerequisites by topic:
1. Systems Design
2. CAD in product development process
3. Basic understanding of manufacturing processes
4. Basic understanding of computer programming for manufacturing processes

Postrequisites: None

Textbooks/other required materials:

Course objectives:
1. Understand the elements and benefits of manufacturing automation in product realization
2. Develop basic programming knowledge of CNC machines and CNC code using integrated CAD/CAM systems
3. Be familiar with fundamental concepts of industrial robotics
4. Learn concepts in material handling, manufacturing systems, and manufacturing support systems
5. Understand the role of information systems and information management in manufacturing enterprise systems
6. Consider the concepts and processes related to PDM, ERP, PLM
7. Understand issues related to sustainable and green manufacturing
8. Gain hands-on experience in laboratory sessions

Topics covered:
1. Manufacturing automation principles and elements in product realization; Manufacturing models of production performance and metrics
2. Numerical control; Comparison with discrete process control; concepts of logic control, PLCs and sequencing
3. CNC programming through CAD/CAM software
4. Industrial robots and related anatomy/kinematics
5. Material handling systems and analysis of material transport systems; Manual and automated production lines; cellular manufacturing; flexible manufacturing systems; Process Planning; Material Requirements Planning (MRP)
6. Integration of information technology tools and approaches in supporting modern manufacturing enterprise systems
7. Product Life-cycle Management (PLM); Product Data Management (PDM); Enterprise Resource Management (ERP); others topics such as SCM, CRM; Lean manufacturing principles in contemporary product realization
8. Sustainable manufacturing, Eco design, environmentally conscious manufacturing

Expected student outcomes:
1. Understand the elements of automation in manufacturing operations and different types of automation systems.
2. Be able to use quantitative models and metrics to describe and compare production
3. Understand the fundamental principles of numerical control and use G-code to write CNC programs; Understand elements of discrete process control.
4. Use CAD/CAM systems to create CNC programs.
5. Understand robot anatomy, common configurations, programming, and applications
6. Be able to analyze material transport systems for material flow rates, delivery cycle times, and other aspects of system performance
7. Be able to work with various algorithms in manufacturing such as line balancing algorithms; be able to identify the characteristics of flexibility in an automated manufacturing system; perform analyses of manufacturing systems to satisfy production requirements
8. Understand the role of information systems in the product life cycle and in a manufacturing enterprise; be able to identify various common tools and approaches used in industry
9. Understand the role of electronic data in modern manufacturing and how this data is managed and secured in industry through PDM/PLM/ERP
10. Understand contemporary topics related to sustainable manufacturing and environmentally friendly products and processes.

Class schedule: Two 50-minute lecture sessions per week, for one semester;

Laboratory schedule: 1 three hour lab per week

Contribution to meeting the professional component: Engineering Topics

Relationship of course to program objectives:

1. School of MME ME educational objectives: 1, 2, 3
2. School of MME ME program outcomes: (a), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k)
3. ABET EC2000, Criterion 3 program outcomes: (a), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k)

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Disability Statement:
Reasonable accommodations are available for students who have a documented disability. Please notify the instructor during the first week of class of any accommodations needed for the course. Late notification may cause the requested accommodations to be unavailable. All accommodations must be approved through the Disability Resource Center (DRC) in Administration Annex 205, 335-1566 in Pullman.