

**FALL 2011****ESE 501: System Specification and Modeling**

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**General Information**

*Prerequisite:* ESE 318 and ESE 330 or equivalent. Students are expected to know the logic design, digital circuits, and electronic design automation tools. Some background in computer architecture is helpful.

*Time and Place:* TuTh 3:50p.m. - 5:10p.m. in Room 181 Earth & Space Building

*Teaching Assistants:* No TA is available

*Textbook:* System Design with SystemC by Grotket et al, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2002.

*Reference:* SystemC: Methodologies and Applications by W. Muller et al, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2003.

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**Course Goals**

A comprehensive introduction to the field of System-on-Chip design. Introduces basic concepts of digital system modeling and simulation methodologies. Various types of hardware description language (HDL) will be studied, including Verilog, VHDL, and SystemC. Topics include top-down and bottom-up design methodology, specification language syntax and semantics, RTL, behavioral and system-level modeling, and IP core development. Included are three projects on hardware modeling and simulation.

**Project**

This is a project-oriented course in which you will design three modest-sized systems. No specific lab times are scheduled, and you can work at your convenience.

**Course Contents**

Week 1,2: Basics of RTL modeling in Verilog  
Week 3,4: Basic behavioral modeling in SystemC  
Week 5,6: Modeling Combinational Logic in SystemC  
Week 7: Modeling Synchronous Logic in SystemC  
Week 8: Miscellaneous Logic  
Week 9,10,11: Digital system design using SystemC  
Week 12: Design for testability  
Week 13: IP cores design and integration

**Grading**

The grade will be based upon:  
(1) 3 Homeworks (30%)  
(1) Projects (40%)  
(3) 2 Exams (30%)

**Handouts****Project Groups**

Group 1: Names

**Announcements**

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