# EECE4646— OPTICS FOR ENGINEERS— Spring 2024

## Syllabus

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| OFFICE HOURS: | TBD                                   |
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|               | Feel free to email questions as well. |

| TEXT: | Reference only:                                            |
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|       | DiMarzio, Charles A., Optics for Engineers, CRC Press.     |
|       | 2011.                                                      |
|       | (http://www.crcpress.com/product/isbn/9781439807255)       |
|       | After trying for many years to find a suitable text for    |
|       | this course, I decided to write one. We are using it this  |
|       | semester for the first time. Please report any errors, any |
|       | areas that you find difficult or confusing, and any other  |
|       | comments you may have.                                     |

|          | 25 % | on homework (Equal weight on best $n-1$ |
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|          |      | of $n$ assignments)                     |
| CDADING. | 20 % | on mid-term exam                        |
| GRADING: | 25 % | on project                              |
|          | 20 % | on final exam.                          |
|          | 10 % | on participation                        |

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| EXAMS:         | Two exams will be given, one at the middle and one          |  |
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|                | during finals week.                                         |  |
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| PROJECTS:      | A list of suggested projects will be distributed. Each      |  |
|                | project must involve some research in the literature and    |  |
|                | some independent work. Reviews of the literature alone      |  |
|                | are not acceptable. If you have your own idea for a         |  |
|                | project, I would be happy to consider it. I will suggest    |  |
|                | other projects during class as they arise in the lectures.  |  |
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| HOMEWORK:      | Homework Assignments will be available on the course        |  |
|                | website. Collaboration among students on homework is        |  |
|                | acceptable and encouraged. Group submissions will be        |  |
|                | accepted from groups of two students, and a single grade    |  |
|                | assigned for both members of the group. Nevertheless,       |  |
|                | it is the responsibility of each student to have a good     |  |
|                | understanding of each problem.                              |  |
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| PARTICIPATION: | To earn a good grade for participation, attend class reg-   |  |
|                | ularly, be well–prepared for the topic of the day, partici- |  |
|                | pate in discussions, speak up when you have a question,     |  |
|                | discuss your project with me.                               |  |

### Tentative Schedule

| 1 | 9,12 Jan | ADMINISTRIVIA. INTRODUCTION; — History, the spectrum, perception of color, specular and diffuse reflection, Maxwell's Equations, the wave equation, Fermat's Principle.<br>GEOMETRIC OPTICS: Reflection and refraction. Total internal reflection (Snell's window and fibers). Retrore- |
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|   |          | flectors.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

| 2 | 16,19 Jan | GEOMETRIC OPTICS: One lens. two lenses. Lens<br>shapes and aberrations. Apertures (Aperture stops,<br>f/number, NA, field stops). Ray tracing.<br>Homework: TBD. |
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| 3 | 23,26 Jan | CAMERAS: Pixels, bit depth, speed, color, hyperspec-<br>tral.<br>Homework: TBD. |
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| 4 30 Jan, | , 2 Feb (PW) POLAR<br>Malus L<br>Term Pr<br>Email a<br>Homew | IZATION: Devices, Eigenvectors, Analysis.<br>aw.<br>roject: Select topic. Do a literature search.<br>short paragraph.<br><b>rork:</b> TBD. |
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| 5 | 6, 9 Feb | POLARIZATION: Fresnel Reflection, Brewster's Angle.<br>T/R Beamsplitter. LCD Display. Partial polarization,<br>briefly. |
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| 6 13, 16 Feb | INTERFERENCE: Coherent and Incoherent light.<br>Mach–Zehnder interferometer.<br>MIDTERM EXAM: In class 16 Feb.<br>Term Project: Plan for implementation. |
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|              | Homework: TBD.                                                                                                                                           |

| 7 20,23 Feb | INTERFERENCE: Doppler lidar. The Fabry–Perot —<br>laser cavities and frequency. Multi–layer coatings.<br>Reading: 7. |
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| 8 | 27 Feb, 1 Mar | DIFFRACTION: Fourier optics. Slits and apertures,<br>Gratings. Apertures, square, circular, Gaussian.<br><b>Homework:</b> TBD. |
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#### Monday 4 Mar to Friday 9 Mar — Spring Break

| Laser cavities and beam size. Fiber communication<br>Term Project: Interim report.<br>Homework: TBD. | 9 |
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| 10 | 19, 21 Mar | RADIOMETRY: coherent and incoherent sources.<br>Quantities and units. Photometry.<br>Homework: TBD. |
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| 11 16, 29 Mar RADIOMETRY: The black body spectrum Cameras. Solar energy. Polar bears. | . Thermal |
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| <b>12</b> 2,5 Apr | TBD:<br>Homework: TBD. |
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| 13 | 9, 12 Apr | TBD: |
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| 1316 AprTBD: Oral Reports? |
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Project Due TBD

#### Final Exam: TBD

Grades Due to Registrar on Monday 29 April at 9:00AM.