ECE 448 – Application Software Design

Credits: 3, Contact Hours: Two 75 minute lecture session per week.

Coordinator:	J. Wang, Associate Professor of ECE
Textbook:	E. R. Harold, Java Network Programming, 4th ed., O'Reilly Media, 2013.
2019 Catalog Data:	 ECE 448: Application Software Design. Credit 3. The course provides introduction to languages and environments for application software development utilizing Software as a Service (SaaS) for electrical and computer engineers. Languages addressed include Java, Python, SQL, and JavaScript. Key topics covered include systems development life cycle, client-server architectures, database integration, RESTful service, and data visualization. Programming projects will include the development of a data-rich web application with server back-end that connects mobile devices and Internet of Things using Agile software engineering practices. (3-0-3) (P)

Prerequisites or co-requisites by topic: ECE 242, senior standing.

Enrollment: Elective course for EE majors; computer systems/software elective course for CPE majors.

Specific outcomes of instruction:

After completing this course, the student should be able to do the following:

- 1. Understand application software architectures and application software development processes.
- 2. Utilize event-driven programming to support networking and graphical user interface in application software.
- 3. Design and implement testable class types. Document and validate functionality via unit testing.
- 4. Reuse existing class libraries to improve code quality and productivity.
- 5. Construct reusable class libraries using polymorphism.
- 6. Utilize design patterns when designing and reusing class libraries.
- 7. Be familiar with advanced topics including security, database, and data visualization.
- 8. Design and implement a networked application software with graphical user interface following test-driven and iterative/incremental software engineering practices.

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Relationship of ECE 448 specific outcomes of instruction to student outcomes:

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	Student Outcomes	Goals
	An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles	1,2,3,4,5,6,7.
1	of engineering, science, and mathematics	8
	An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with	
	consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social,	
2	environmental, and economic factors	2,3,4,5,6,7,8
3	An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences	
	An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and	
	make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global,	
4	economic, environmental, and societal contexts	
	An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a	
5	collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives	
	An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and	
6	use engineering judgment to draw conclusions	3,8
7	An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies	

Topics:

- Introduction to application design (1 week)
- Java overview (1 week)
- TCP/IP networking (1 week)
- Socket programming (2 weeks)
- Observer and Pub/Sub patterns (1 week)
- The MQTT protocol (1 week)
- Object relationship and dependency injection (1 week)
- RESTful service (1 week)
- JavaScript and DOM (1 week)
- Web UI design (2 weeks)
- Security (1 week)
- Database integration (1 week)
- Data visualization (1 week)

Laboratory topics: None

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