

RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY  
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  
DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

**650:514 DESIGN OF MECHANISMS**

**Prerequisite:** Graduate Standing

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**Office Hours:** M, Th, F 10:00 -11:00 a.m. Feel free to drop by anytime.

**Textbook:** No text, but we will consult several references.

**References:** *Mechanism Design: Analysis and Synthesis*, Vol. 1, A.G. Erdman and G.N. Sandor, Prentice-Hall  
*Mechanism Design: Analysis and Synthesis*, Vol. 2, A.G. Erdman and G.N. Sandor, Prentice-Hall  
*Geometric Design of Linkages*, J. M. McCarthy, Springer Verlag  
*Analytical Dynamics*, H. Baruh, McGraw-Hill

<b>Grading:</b>	Midterm	25%
	Final Exam	30%
	Homework and Project	45%

**Outline:**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Topic</u>
1	Introduction; Design; Fundamental Concepts, Coordinate Transformations
2	Mathematical Tools in Kinematics, Euler Angles
3	Mathematical Tools in Kinematics, Euler Parameters, Quaternions, Screws and Twists
4	Types of Mechanisms
5	Mechanism Mobility, Overconstrained Mechanisms
6	Planar Analysis, Velocity and Acceleration, Instant Centers
7	Planar Analysis (continued)
8	Synthesis of Planar Mechanisms
9	Synthesis Methods
10	Other Synthesis Methods
11	Computational Techniques
12	Analysis of Spatial Mechanisms
13	Analysis of Spatial Mechanisms
14	Synthesis of Spatial Mechanisms Final Examination

**Please Note:**

1) The midterm and final are closed book, closed notes. You can bring one equation sheets 8.5×11 (both sides) to these tests.

2) The project is a significant portion of this course. Please do not take it lightly. The project grade will depend on the quality of your idea, the quality of your project, as well as your presentation.