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Updated in 2017, this course covers an introduction to fluid power control and is offered in credit programs in a face-to-face format.

### Course Syllabus

## ***EGT 137 - Fluid Power Control***

**Class Day/Time**  
**Spring/2018**

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### **Catalog Description:**

This course covers maintenance and troubleshooting fluid power electrical controls such as relay logic, programmable controls and servo controls. Troubleshooting and maintenance of servo

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valves and proportional control valves as well as other fluid power components are covered. Logical control sequences are presented to instruct the student on the concepts used in industrial controls automation.

**Prerequisites:**

EGT 117 – Fluid Power Fundamentals

ELT 125 – Advanced PLC

**Credits:** 4 (2 Lecture, 2 Lab)

**Text & Additional Materials:**

TBA

**Course Objectives/Competencies:**

Upon successful completion of the course, a student should be able to:

- Identify types of electrical solenoid valves by their appearance, port connections and how they operate.
- Describe the proper application, wiring, operation and setting of mechanical switching control devices.
- Identify the type of switch contacts from their drawing symbols.
- List the main component parts and explain the operation of a relay or contactor.
- Describe the proper application, wiring, operation and setting of electronic control devices such as proximity, pressure and flow switches.
- Identify common electrical control components from their symbols on a drawing.
- Describe the general layout and features of a ladder diagram.
- Follow wiring through a wiring diagram and describe the difference between a wiring diagram and ladder.
- Follow a circuit through a ladder diagram and be able to describe the sequence of events.
- Interpret a sequence of events diagram and be able to describe when devices are activated.
- Explain how to accomplish automatic cylinder cycling with travel limit switches.
- Describe how pressure switches can be used to control cylinder operation.
- Describe how wire control devices can be used to operate solenoids for cylinder control.
- Describe how to use electrical solenoids for system unloading.
- Explain how to accomplish automatic cylinder sequencing with travel limit switches.
- Describe how pressure switches can be used to control cylinder sequencing.
- Wire control devices to operate solenoids for cylinder control.
- Use timers to control the sequential operation of a cylinder control.

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- Wire control devices to operate solenoids for cylinder control.
- Use timers to control the sequential operation of a cylinder control.
- Explain how to electrically control pressure relief settings work.
- Discuss step level pressure control.
- Wire solenoids and switches to implement remote pressure control.
- Diagnose problems with the starting signal for a fluid power sequence.
- Explain how to use timers to help in resolving cycle problems in fluid power circuits.
- Place limit switches and cams to provide correct cycle.
- Explain the operation of a rotary cam switch in a control circuit.
- Discuss the purpose and operation of a cylinder dwell circuit.
- Sketch a ladder diagram to control a hydraulic or pneumatic drilling operation.
- Discuss the pros and cons about methods of cylinder indexing.
- Add a counter to control a stack operation.
- Discuss the controls needed to perform an indexing or part turn over operation.
- Explain the operation of electrical cylinder deceleration.
- Explain the reason for and operation of two hand safety circuits.
- Discuss the reason and methods for wiring anti-tie down circuits.
- Wire panic buttons into hydraulic circuits for safety.
- Discuss the general concept of fail-safe mode of design.
- Explain how and where warning sensors are placed in fluid power control circuits.
- Discuss the reasons for pump unloading during motor startup.
- Discuss how servo valves are selected.
- Explain the construction and general operation of a servo valve.
- Contrast the operation and makeup of a proportional valve.
- Sketch the block diagram of an electro-pneumatic servo system.
- Explain the purpose of the components of an electro-pneumatic servo system.
- Discuss the typical pressure drops in servo and proportional valves.
- Sketch typical servo valve connections.
- Discuss features of servo amplifiers.

### **Methods of Instruction:**

Course will consist of a two hour lecture each week, which may include reviewing assignments, discussion, demonstrations and other methods to be determined by the instructor. Two hours of

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Students who need to leave class early should let the instructor know before class begins and leave quietly.

Avoid prolonged noise, especially during class discussions.

Incompletes are only issued when the student can establish a completion date.

Drug and alcohol use is prohibited.

Students suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave.

**Important:** NO food or drinks in the lab

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Students should be aware that classes might be audio or video recorded by one or more students. The college's policies governing the audio or video recording of class are included in the Student Handbook. Students who have any questions or concerns about class recordings should address their questions or concerns with the instructor at the *beginning of the semester*.

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Iowa Lakes Community College believes that personal integrity and academic honesty are fundamental to scholarship. Iowa Lakes strives to create an environment where the dignity of each person is recognized and an atmosphere of mutual trust exists between instructors and students. The faculty has confidence in the integrity of the students and encourages students to exercise good judgment in fulfilling this responsibility.

Actions contrary to academic integrity will not be tolerated. Activities that have the effect or intention of interfering with learning or fair evaluation of a student's work or performance are considered a breach of academic integrity. Examples of such unacceptable activities include, but are not limited to:

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- **Plagiarism** (representing another's ideas, words, expressions or data in writing or presentation without giving proper credit, failing to cite a reference or failing to use proper documentation, using works of another gained over the Internet and submitted as one's own work).
- **Falsification and/or misrepresentation of data** (submitting contrived or made-up information in any academic exercise). For example, making up data, citing non-existent sources, etc.
- **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty** (knowingly helping or attempting to help another violate any provision of the academic honesty policy). For example, working together on a take-home exam or other assignment when the option has not been made available, giving a paper/assignment to another student for his/her use, etc.
- **Multiple Submissions** (submitting, without prior approval from the instructor involved, any work submitted to fulfill academic requirements in another class). For example, submitting the same paper for two different classes, etc.
- **Unfair Advantage** (trying to gain unauthorized advantage over fellow students). For example, gaining or facilitating unauthorized access to exam materials (past or present); interfering with another student's efforts in an academic exercise;

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lying about the need for an extension on a paper or assignment; destroying, hiding, removing or keeping library materials, etc.

### Disciplinary Action

Any violation of this policy will be treated as a serious matter. The instructor has primary responsibility over classroom behavior and maintaining academic integrity. Students who earn an "F" based on any violation of the Student Academic Honesty Policy may not withdraw from the class (and receive a grade of W). Depending on the nature and severity of the offense, Iowa Lakes Community College reserves the right to exercise disciplinary action as outlined in the Disciplinary Action Section of the Student Handbook.

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