

Subject: ECE 8527: Class Format
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The class was evenly split between in-class and online lectures, so we will move forward with in-class lectures. However, I'll do these from a Zoom session so those willing to participate remotely will be able to.

However, I do expect those students who expressed a desire for in-class lectures to attend these lectures. My experience is that classroom attendance dwindles over time as students become more comfortable with the online lectures. If classroom attendance dwindles to zero, we will switch to online lectures only.

I ask a lot of questions during class. I try to make the lectures very interactive, thought-provoking and interesting. So those of you attending the in-class lectures need to be prepared to participate. The best way for me to get to know you is through your active participation in the class.

I'll post updates to the class web site on Tuesday, and will provide links to the zoom lectures via calendar appointments also.

More to follow,

-Joe

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On 1/7/23 2:16 PM, Joseph Picone wrote:

We have several students who will be taking this class remotely. I usually do the lectures from a computer terminal and use PowerPoint. As you will see from the web site, all videos and lecture materials are available for all previous semesters.

In recent semesters, grad students have preferred me to teach classes over Zoom rather than in person.

Please let me know your preference ASAP.

The in-person lectures will consist of me sitting at a computer terminal, so they are not that much different from an online course. There are benefits to in-person instruction, so I don't mind doing the class in person.

But what I hate most is lecturing to an empty classroom, so if you ask for in person instruction, you have to agree to show up for lecture each day. We will start promptly at 10 AM in ENGR 304, so you need to be in your seat and ready to go a few minutes before that. Online students should log into Zoom at least 5 mins. before the start of class.

-Joe

P.S. I watch the time it takes for you to respond to my emails carefully since it often correlates with student performance, so please respond sooner than later 😊