Mechatronics I, II, III



(Hampton Campus) Course #8554/8555/8556 Manufacturing Technology Cluster One Year Program

College Credit Available



About the program:

Students will learn and build knowledge of mechatronic systems. These systems are comprised of mechanical, electrical, and software systems, and typically include sensors feeding data to a computer/controller, which determines how to energize a motor/actuator. Mechatronics systems form the foundation of robotics, automation, and advanced manufacturing (such as 3D printing). Mechanical, electrical, and pneumatic/hydraulic systems are explored as well as relevant computer technologies. Students will apply principles related to pneumatic, electropneumatic, and hydraulic control circuits as well as basic digital logic and programmable logic controllers in a complex mechatronic system. Students may earn dual enrollment credits (for free), and a College Certificate of Studies with VPCC credits transfer into the VPCC Mechanical Engineering Technology Degree (956-02).

Certifications:

- FESTO Industry 4.0 Certifications
- Siemens Mechatronics Systems Certification

Dual Enrollment Requirements:

- According to Virginia Peninsula Community College, the student must possess a minimum GPA of 3.0 to show English & and Math proficiency in order to receive dual enrollment credit.
- Completion of Algebra II with a grade of "C" or better or completed Algebra I and Geometry with a "B" or better

Topics of study:

- Engineering Design (MEC 100)
- Sensors & Actuators (ETR 140)
- Digital Electronics (ETR 168)
- Robotics Programming (ETR 177)
- Mechanical Drives (MEC 155)
- Pneumatics & Hydraulics (MEC 165)
- Programmable Logic Controls (ELE 233)
- Mechatronic Systems (IND 243)

Career Pathways:

- Electrical Engineering
- Instrumentation Technician
- Industrial Engineer or Technician
- Mechanical Engineer or Technician