January 31, 2009

Research

GRANTS

Project Title: Lithium Polymer Evaluation
Sponsor: National Grid
Amount: $16,000
Duration: 12/2008-12/2009
PI: Z. Salameh

Project Title: Reliability of GaAs flip chip assemblies.
Sponsor: MACOM Technology Solutions CO
Amount: $44,000
PI: S. Mil'shtein

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Prof. Alkim Akyurtlu was elected to serve on the Administrative Committee of the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society for a 3-year term.

INVITED PRESENTATION

Prof. Martin Margala presented an invited seminar at Intel Corporation, Hillsboro, OR, titled: "Embedded Test Solutions for Mixed-Signal Multi-Gigahertz Integrated Systems" on January 6th, 2009. (65 attendees present)


International Collaboration

Prof. Kanti Prasad visited Yashwant Rai Chauhan, College of Engineering, Nagpur (MH), India. He visited their labs on VLSI, Microprocessors, and Microwaves and was quite satisfied after looking at their labs and students working there. This is one of the colleges selected for Indo-US collaboration. Their faculty visited us in December 2008 and his visit was in reciprocation to the same.

Important Information for ECE Graduate Students

1. New Core Requirements for Graduate Degrees in Computer Engineering

Students in the MS, D.Eng, and Ph.D programs in Computer Engineering must take three of the following four core courses:

16.553 Software Engineering
16.561 Computer Architecture and Design
16.562 VHDL/Verilog Synthesis and Design (previously 16.602)
16.573 Operating Systems and Kernel Design

The new core requirements apply to all current and incoming students.

2. New university policy:

International graduate students who have all the required credits for course work and thesis/dissertation, but are still in the final phase of their theses/dissertations, have to register for a minimum of one credit. A 1-credit thesis review course will be created. Continued
matriculation is no longer an option.

3. BS/MS Transfer Credits

MS students accepted for the BS/MS program must file an academic petition to transfer two senior technical electives at the graduate level and with a grade of B or better. The credits will not be transferred from BS to MS automatically.

4. Spring 2009 Graduation

The deadline for filing the Graduate Degree Clearance Form for Spring 2009 graduation is April 21, 2009.

**Calendar**

**February**

6 Friday
*Last Day for Registered Students to:
(1) Add a Course with a permission number
(2) Drop a Course Without Record, and
(3) Change Enrollment Status from:
Audit to Credit,
Credit to Audit,
"Pass-No Credit" to letter grade; or
Letter grade to "Pass No-Credit".

**Note: No refund after this date**

16 Monday
*President’s Day (University Closed)

17 Tuesday
* Monday Class Schedule