

# Western Technical College 10662157 Integrated Circuits Applications

# **Course Outcome Summary**

# **Course Information**

| Description            | This course will concentrate on the use of integrated circuits and their applications.<br>The student will use operational amplifiers (op amps) to construct basic amplifiers,<br>active filters, comparators, Schmitt triggers, integrators and differentiators. Special<br>function ICs, such as instrumentation amplifiers and monolithic switching regulators<br>will be used to construct typical circuits used in modern electronic equipment. The<br>use of data and specification sheets, along with internet searches and electronic<br>simulation software, will be emphasized throughout the course. |
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| Career<br>Cluster      | Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics  |
| Instructional<br>Level | Associate Degree Courses  |
| <b>Total Credits</b>   | 3   |
| <b>Total Hours</b>     | 90  |

# Textbooks

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# **Program Outcomes**

- 1. Apply electronic theory to practice.
- 2. Operate test equipment.
- 3. Build electronic circuits and systems.
- 4. Evaluate the operation of electronic circuits or systems.
- 5. Communicate technical information.

# **Course Competencies**

1. Verify the operation of first-order low-pass and high-pass active filters.

Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 1.1. you measure the output frequency response using an oscilloscope.
- 1.2. you measure the output frequency response using a Bode plotter.
- 1.3. you make circuit modifications to an existing circuit to meet given performance expectations.
- 1.4. you evaluate the stated performance specifications of op amp devices using the internet.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 1.a. Construct low-pass and high-pass active filters using Multisim and actual circuit components.
- 1.b. Measure the output frequency response of first-order low-pass and high-pass filters.
- 1.c. Modify filter circuit components to meet design specifications.

#### 2. Design second-order and higher-order op amp active filters.

#### Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 2.1. you design a second-order low-pass active filter to meet performance expectations.
- 2.2. you design a third-order high-pass filter to meet performance expectations.
- 2.3. you construct higher-order active filters and verify their operation.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 2.a. Design higher-order active filters.
- 2.b. Construct higher-order active filters using Multisim and actual components.
- 2.c. Evaluate the circuit performance of higher-order active filters to meet given specifications.

#### 3. Analyze the operation of active filters using electronics design software.

#### Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 3.1. you design active filter circuits using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH software tools located on the internet.
- 3.2. you evaluate the performance of an active filter circuit using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH software tools.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 3.a. Construct active filter circuits using electronic design software.
- 3.b. Test active filter circuits using electronic design software.
- 3.c. Evaluate active filter circuit performance to specified performance levels.

#### 4. Document the performance of an active filter circuit.

Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

4.1. you provide written documentation of the circuit's performance using an engineering notebook format.

#### **Learning Objectives**

4.a. Write lab reports using an engineering notebook format.

#### 5. Verify the operation of differential amplifiers.

#### Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 5.1. you calculate the proper resistor values needed to construct a differential circuit design.
- 5.2. you measure the output voltage of an instrumentation amplifier built with Multisim precision op amps.
- 5.3. you measure the output voltage of an instrumentation amplifier built with LM318 precision op amps.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 5.a. Calculate the output voltage of a differential amplifier with given input voltages.
- 5.b. Construct a differential amplifer using Multisim and actual components.
- 5.c. Test a differential amplifier for proper operation.

#### 6. Design a Wheatstone bridge differential amplifier circuit.

## Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 6.1. you calculate the resistor values need when using a thermistor.
- 6.2. you calculate the resistor values needed when using a solid state temperature transducer.
- 6.3. you test the Wheatstone bridge constructed circuit for proper output voltage values.

## Learning Objectives

- 6.a. Design a Wheatstone bridge circuit used to measure an output temperature level.
- 6.b. Construct a Wheatstone bridge circuit using actual components.
- 6.c. Evaluate the Wheatstome bridge circuit for proper output voltage range.

# 7. Verify the operation of an instrumentation amplifier.

# Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 7.1. you construct and test the instrumentation amplifier using Multisim.
- 7.2. you construct and test the instrumentation amplifier using actual components.
- 7.3. you evaluate the output voltage values of a Wheatstone bridge/instrumentation amplifier combination circuit.

## Learning Objectives

- 7.a. Construct an integrated circuit instrumentation amplifier circuit.
- 7.b. Test an instrumentation amplifier circuit for proper output voltage levels.
- 7.c. Combine a Wheatstone bridge circuit and an instrumentation amplier to operate as a temperature-tovoltage converter.

# 8. Design a wideband variable gain amplifier using electronic design software.

#### Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 8.1. you calculate the resistor values needed for a wideband variable gain amplifier using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH design software.
- 8.2. you measure the output response of a wideband variable gain amplifier using WEBENCH.

**Learning Objectives** 

- 8.a. Design a wideband variable gain amplifier using design software.
- 8.b. Evaluate the output performance of an instrumentation amplifier using design software.

# 9. Verify the operation of basic op amp comparator circuits.

Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 9.1. you calculate the output voltage of a comparator circuit with a fixed reference and varying input voltage.
- 9.2. you construct an IC comparator circuit using a LM339 open collector IC.
- 9.3. you design and construct a window comparator circuit using Multisim.

**Learning Objectives** 

- 9.a. Design a basic op amp comparator.
- 9.b. Construct an open collector op amp comparator circuit.
- 9.c. Design an op amp window comparator.

# 10. Generate low-frequency linear and nonlinear waveforms with op amp circuits.

#### Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 10.1. you calculate the output frequency of a low-frequency RC oscillator circuit.
- 10.2. you construct a low-frequency RC oscillator circuit and measures its output frequency.
- 10.3. you modify an existing RC oscillator circuit to provide a specified output frequency.

#### Learning Objectives

10.a. Evaluate the operation of low frequency RC oscillator circuits.

10.b. Modify critical RC components to set an oscillator frequency to a specified value.

## 11. Design integrator and differentiator op amp circuits using electronic design software.

#### Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 11.1. you design an integrator circuit using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH software.
- 11.2. you design a differentiator circuit using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH software.
- 11.3. you measure the output voltage of integrator and differentiator circuits using National Semiconductor's WEBENCH design software.

#### Learning Objectives

- 11.a. Design an IC integrator circuit to meet stated specifiecations.
- 11.b. Design an IC differentiator circuit to meet stated specifications.
- 11.c. Evaluated the operation of integrator and differentiator circuits.

## 12. Design linear voltage regulator circuits with monolithic integrated circuits.

#### Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 12.1. you calculate the component values necessary to produce a specified fixed output voltage value.
- 12.2. you calculate the component values necessary to produce a range of variable output voltage values.
- 12.3. you verify the proper output voltage values of fixed and variable voltage regulator circuits.

#### Learning Objectives

- 12.a. Design IC voltage regulator circuits to meet specified output voltage levels.
- 12.b. Construct IC voltage regulator circuits.
- 12.c. Evaluate the output voltage and current levels of IC voltage regulators.

# 13. Verify the operation of DC-to-DC converters.

#### Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 13.1. you build a switching regulator circuit using actual components.
- 13.2. you build a switching regulator circuit using Multisim.
- 13.3. you determine if the output levels of a switching voltage regulator circuit meets stated specifications.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 13.a. Construct an unregulated DC-to-DC voltage regulator circuit.
- 13.b. Measure the output voltage levels of a DC-to-DC voltage regulator circuit.
- 13.c. Evaluate the operation of a DC-to-DC voltage regulator circuit.

## 14. Verify the operation of buck/boost switching voltage regulators.

#### Criteria

You will know you are successful when

- 14.1. you build a buck/boost switching regulator circuit using Multisim.
- 14.2. you measure the output voltage of a buck/boost switching regulator circuit using Multisim.

#### Learning Objectives

- 14.a. Construct a buck/boost switching voltage regulator.
- 14.b. Measure the output voltage levels of a buck/boost switching voltage regulator.
- 14.c. Describe the circuit operatiion of a buck/boost switching voltage regulator.

#### 15. Evaluate the circuit performance of industry built switching power supply circuits.

#### Criteria

#### You will know you are successful when

- 15.1. you measure the output dc and ripple voltage of an industrial switching power supply.
- 15.2. you verify the output levels of a switching power supply meet stated ratings.

#### Learning Objectives

- Measure the output voltage of an industrial switching power supply circuit. Determine if a prebuild switching power supply meets listed specifications. 15.a. 15.b.