



**New York City College of Technology**  
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### **MTEC 2280-D334 Ins/Outs of Physical Computing**

**Lecture Hours, Lab Hours, Studio Hours, Credits and Total Hours**

**Prerequisites: MTEC 1005, PRE- OR CO-REQUISITE OF IMT 1102**

**Fall 2015**

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**Office Hour(s): M/W 9:30 – 10:00 A.M.**

### **Class Meeting Time:**

**Monday/Wednesday, 12:00-1:40 P.M., Vorhees 321**

### **Course Description:**

The focus of this course is to explore how we interact between the digital and physical world. In this class you will be introduced to the Arduino microcontroller as well as screen based languages like python and max/msp. We will learn about how interaction design effects the products and installations, we engage with on a daily basis. By using different switches, sensors, and screen based interactions we will discover best practices in usability and interaction. Students will work on creative group projects and provide on-line documentation of their work.

### **Site:**

**<https://github.com/zevenwolf/mtec/wiki/mtec2280>**

### **Grades:**

**Your grade will be determined as follows:**

Modules(3)	<b>60%</b>
Documentation	<b>30%</b>
Attendance	<b>10%</b>

### **Learning Outcomes**

<b>After taking this class, the student will be able to...</b>	<b>This will be demonstrated by...</b>
Design user interfaces	Creating physical and paper prototypes
Understand how communicate across various pieces of hardware	Making an digital interface with a physical hardware

Program user flow	Creating multi-tiered interactive applications
Create projects with creative controls	Experimenting with alternative interfaces

## **Required Texts And Materials:**

There are no required texts.

### **Attendance Policy:**

Attendance is required for all classes. If you have a legitimate reason for missing a class/assignment or if you will be late, you must contact me (see above) before class begins. It is City Tech policy that if you have three unexcused absences, you will fail the class. More than 3 absences will result in an “F” (Failure). TWO LATE ARRIVALS = ONE ABSENCE. If a student misses a class session, it is the student’s responsibility to make up any work missed.

### **Make-ups**

If a student finds he or she will not be able to present or hand in a project on the scheduled day, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor PRIOR to that due date

### **Academic Integrity Policy (College Policy)**

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