

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: AUTOMOTIVE MECHATRONICS  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **5073ENG** (115893)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Maritime and Mechanical Engineering  
Teaching School/Faculty: Maritime and Mechanical Engineering

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5      **Credit Value:** 20      **Total Delivered Hours:** 74  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200      **Private Study:** 126

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	21
Practical	8
Tutorial	42

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS1	Examination	60	3
Report	AS2	Lab Exercise	40	

### Aims

*This module will deliver a combination of taught and project based learning to give Level 2 Automotive Engineering students an introduction to automotive electrical, electronic and mechatronics systems . Students will learn about, and practically apply, electrical and mechanical engineering principles which are required to implement industry relevant electro-mechanical systems with an element of electronic control. Students will be introduced to modern methods for rapid*

*prototyping mechatronic systems using industry relevant tools.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Identify appropriate sensors, actuators and signal conditioning for a range of automotive electrical systems, describe how they work and how to integrate them with mechanical plant and electronic control hardware
- 2 Apply dynamic modelling and simulation to the design and analysis of automotive systems
- 3 Apply open and closed loop control techniques to both real and simulated mechatronic systems

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

EXAM	1	2
Lab Exercise	3	

## **Outline Syllabus**

- 1. Mechanics and Dynamics of Mechanisms: An overview of how common mechanisms and mechanical components are utilised in automotive mechatronic systems. An introduction to dynamic modelling using computer simulation tools.*
- 2. Electrical: Practical examples used to learn about important automotive electrical systems such as signal conditioning and power systems in an automotive context.*
- 3. Electronics: An introduction to modern embedded electronics hardware with emphasis on capabilities and limitations, practical implementation and operation.*
- 4. Control: An introduction to the structure and implementation of Open Loop and Closed Loop control systems. The role of control in Mechatronic systems. The Proportional, Integral, Differential (PID) controller, tuning and stability.*
- 5. Wiring: An overview of the special conventions, requirements and challenges associated with Automotive wiring.*
- 6. Sensors: An introduction to a range of sensors which are commonly used in modern Automotive systems (e.g. Switches, Potentiometers, Accelerometer, Variable Reluctance, Ultrasonic, Gyroscopic). Emphasis is on practical implementation along with an appreciation for mode of operation, strengths and limitations.*
- 7. Actuators: An introduction to a range of actuators which are commonly used in modern Mechatronic systems (e.g. DC Motors, Stepper Motors, Relays, Solenoids, Linear Electro-Mechanical). Emphasis is on practical implementation along with an appreciation for mode of operation, strengths and limitations.*
- 8. Multiplexing: Signals & Messages, Bits and Bytes, Arbitration, Commonly used BUS standards (CAN, LIN, MOST, FlexRay)*
- 9. Industry Applications: Case-studies of industry applications of Mechatronics including analysis of the processes followed and tools used to develop them. An*

*introduction to Autosar. Relevant industry jobs and roles.*

### **Learning Activities**

Lectures, tutorials, case studies and practical assignments.

### **Notes**

This module develops the practical and theoretical principles underpinning the design of automotive mechatronic systems encountered in a modern vehicle design.