

# **GESM 161g Seminar in Quantitative Reasoning Wireless Computing Technologies for Medicine with Legal and Ethical Implications**

**Spring 2017**

**Time: MWF 11am – KAP 167**

## **COURSE CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION:**

Introduction to Wireless Computing in Medicine; Overview of Ethical and Legal issues in Wireless Health; Interdisciplinary Analysis of State-of-the-art Medical Nanoscale Devices and Pervasive Networks.

## **COURSE INSTRUCTOR:**

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## **COURSE SUMMARY:**

This course presents a basic introduction to some of the latest results in the disciplines of Computing, Medicine, and Law, in the field of Wireless Health. After the presentation of introductory material, the rest of the course is organized into three main sections. The first section discusses the use of distributed computing in medicine. It concentrates on methods for treating chronic diseases and cognitive disabilities like Alzheimer's, Autism, etc. It also discusses how to improve portability and accuracy of monitoring instruments and reduce the redundancy of data. It emphasizes the privacy and security of using such devices. The second section covers nanomedicine and discusses how the drug delivery strategies for chronic diseases can be efficiently improved by Nanotechnology enabled materials and devices such as MENs and Nanorobots. The third section will focus on the legal and privacy issues in the domain of nanomedicine, and how to implement this technology in a way that is a safe and ethical for a subset of problems introduced in the first two parts of the course.

**GRADING:**

Homework:	10%
Presentation:	20%
Four Short Tests:	30%
Final Exam Project:	40%

**PREREQUISITE: None****TEXTBOOKS:**

**“Wireless Computing in Medicine: From Nano to Cloud with Ethical and Legal Implications,” Mary Mehrnoosh Eshaghian-Wilner, ISBN: 978-1-118-99359-0, August 2016 (Required Textbook)**

**“Computer Organization and Embedded Systems,” Carl Hamacher, Zvonko Vranesic, Safwat Zaky, Naraig Manjikian, ISBN 978-007-108900-2, 2009 (Recommended Textbook)**

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

1. Define the technologies of distributed wireless health, from software that runs cloud computing data centers, to the technologies that allow new sensors to work.
2. Recognize how computing methods are used to treat chronic diseases and cognitive disabilities, such as Alzheimer’s and Autism.
3. Determine the ways to improve the portability and accuracy of monitoring instruments.
4. Employ strategies to reduce the redundancy of data in the field of wireless health.
5. Identify the importance of data security and privacy when using such devices.
6. Identify the role of nanotechnologies in the treatment of chronic diseases.
7. Recognize how to implement wireless computing technologies in ways that are safe and ethical.
8. Apply legal and ethical principles to the domain of nano medicine with an emphasis on a subset of problems presented earlier in the course.

## **COURSE OUTLINE:**

	<b>Discussion Topics Activities</b>	<b>Reading Assignments about 26 pages/week</b>	<b>Deliverable/ Due Dates</b>
<b>Week 1</b> Dates	<b>History and Evolution of Computers</b>	<b>Chapter 1 of the recommended textbook</b>	<b>HW 1 - Due week 2</b> Chapter 1 of the Recommended Book - Basic Structure of Computers
<b>Week 2</b> Dates	<b>Application of Computers in Medicine</b>	<b>Introductory chapters of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 2 - Due week 3</b> Chapter 1 of the Required Book - Introduction to Wireless Computing in Medicine
<b>Week 3</b> Dates	<b>Computers, Society and Law</b>	<b>Introductory Chapters of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 3 - Due week 4</b> Chapter 2 of the Required Book- Nanocomputing and Cloud Computing
<b>Week 4</b> Dates	<b>Test #1</b>	<b>End of Introductory Material</b>	<b>HW 4- Due week 5</b> Chapter 3 of the Required Book - Pervasive Computing in Hospitals
<b>Week 5</b> Dates	<b>Pervasive Computing in Medicine</b>	<b>Part 1 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 5 - Due week 6</b> Chapter 4 of the Required Book- Diagnostic Improvements: Treatment and Care
<b>Week 6</b> Dates	<b>Body Sensor Networks</b>	<b>Part 1 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 6 - Due week 7</b> Chapter 5 of the Required Book- Collaborative Opportunistic Sensing of Human Behavior with Mobile Phone
<b>Week 7</b> Dates	<b>Electronic Health Records</b>	<b>Part 1 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 7 - Due week 8</b> Chapter 6 of the Required Book- Pervasive Computing to Support Individuals with Cognitive Disabilities

<b>Week 8</b> Dates	<b>Test #2</b>	<b>End of Part 1 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 8- Due week 9</b> Chapter 10 of the Required Book- An Introduction to Nanomedicine
<b>Week 9</b> Dates	<b>Nanocomputing in Medicine</b>	<b>Part 2 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 9 - Due week 10</b> Chapter 15 of the Required Book- Linking Medical Nanorobots to Pervasive Computing
<b>Week 10</b> Dates	<b>Imaging and Diagnosis of Cancer</b>	<b>Part 2 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 10 - Due week 11</b> Chapter 16 of the Required Book- Nanomedicine's Transversality: Some Implications of the Nanomedical Paradigm
<b>Week 11</b> Dates	<b>Targeted Drug Delivery</b>	<b>Part 2 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 11 - Due week 12</b> Chapter 17 of the Required Book- Ethical Challenges of Ubiquitous Health Care
<b>Week 12</b> Dates	<b>Test #3</b>	<b>End of Part 2 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 12- Due week 13</b> Chapter 18 of the Required Book- The Ethics of Ubiquitous Computing in Health Care
<b>Week 13</b> Dates	<b>Privacy Issues</b>	<b>Part 3 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 13 - Due week 14</b> Chapter 19 of the Required Book- Privacy Protection of Electronic Healthcare Records in e- Healthcare System
<b>Week 14</b> Dates	<b>Ethical Issues</b>	<b>Part 3 of the required textbook</b>	<b>HW 14- Due week 15</b> Chapter 20 of the Required Book- Ethical, Privacy, and Intellectual Property Issues in Nanomedicine
<b>Week 15</b> Dates	<b>Test #4</b>	<b>End of Part 3 of the required textbook</b>	<b>Course Review</b>
<b>FINAL EXAM</b> Week	<b>Final Project</b>	<b>End of the course</b>	<b>See USC's official Schedule of Classes for the time of the Final Exam</b>

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