Hi ECA students!

The course homepage is here:

<u>https://www.geneseo.edu/~pogo/ECA/ECA.htm</u> You can get a syllabus, schedule, etc. there. You won't ever use BrightSpace for anything.

Books

Get a paper textbook. Especially with online homework, online textbooks are a waste of time. You need to be able to fully see both side-by-side. I looked at Amazon today and found three used copies of the 4^{th} edition of the book for under \$10, and dozens of the 6^{th} edition in the \$20 range. The 7^{th} edition is more like \$60 used. If you believe that it's OK to use an illegal online copy because you can't "afford" ten bucks for a textbook, you are a liar *and* a thief.

On the course homepage, there's a link there (<u>https://sourceforge.net/projects/circuitmod/</u>) to download some circuit simulating software "circuit mod". Although we won't use it for several weeks, I solemnly swear to not help you with setting it up on any date after January 31. You are expected to do get this running before the semester begins, not at the last minute.

Surveys

Course Survey (skipping it will hurt your grade): Grade Request form: https://forms.gle/Kt1c5oQTXnVnaXNZ9 https://forms.gle/FfNU6ZfVWS19yxEN8

Assignments

Homework is on CAPA (go try some right now!), but I expect that exams will be "paper". I think you've used CAPA already, but here's a copy of the CAPA info sheet for Math Methods students who need help getting started: <u>https://www.geneseo.edu/~pogo/MathMethods/CapaInfo.pdf</u>

Extra credit "miles are in play for not procrastinating: https://www.geneseo.edu/~pogo/RewardSummary.pdf

Exams

Exams are currently scheduled as 75 minutes "in-class", but as usual, I am willing to give you more time if that is what the class desires. The new time may not exceed 2 hours. To reschedule an exam, 100% of the class must agree on the new time and date. 100% means that I have access to see the confirmation from each student myself, rather than just hearing it from one of you. The new time and date must be between 0 and 7 days after the date scheduled on the syllabus. The final exam may not be rescheduled (it is Friday, May 10^{th} , from noon to 2:30 pm).

Labs

This class has some in-class "labs". Since you are expected to attend all the time anyway, you won't be told in advance when a lab is. Unless you have documentation, you will not be permitted to make up labs if you miss one. Labs will generally require you to assemble some hardware in a breadboard, then do some experiments/measurements with that circuit. Labs will usually have a "worksheet" explaining what to do. You will be penalized for careless damage to my hardware.

Office Hours

Office hours times are listed at the tippy top of the syllabus. Here's a graphical summary: https://www.geneseo.edu/~pogo/Schedule/Schedule.htm Office hours will use Discord, and my office hours time will be shared across all my classes using this "server": <u>https://discord.gg/GjkWREU</u>. Office hours are primarily audio, and operate on a "first-come, first served" basis. However, each student may only ask one question in turns whenever other students are waiting patiently.

Here are some instructions to set up Discord: https://www.geneseo.edu/~pogo/Discord.pdf

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