THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# **Neuromuscular Biomechanics**

# **MECHENG 8702**

# **Credit Hours:**

3.00 - 3.00

# **Course Levels:**

Graduate (5000-8000 level)

# **Course Components:**

Lecture

#### **Course Description:**

State-of-the-art assessment of upper and lower extremity dynamics, focusing on mechanical and neuromuscular control. Modeling and simulation of movement. Open-ended projects.

### Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prereq: 6700 or 687, or permission of instructor.

#### **Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Describe the biological, mechanical, and neurological aspects of how muscles and the nervous system produce and control movement
- Describe the major theories behind upper and lower limb mechanics and control
- Improve teaching and oral presentation skills
- Gain experience in defining a research project and writing a research proposal
- Describe, and gain experience with the following modeling concepts: scaling a generic model, inverse kinematics, inverse dynamics, forward dynamics, contact
- Gain experience with generating a biomechanical simulation from experimental data

# **Course Topics:**

- Neuromuscular system physiology
- Experimental techniques
- Fundamentals of neural control
- Theories of control of locomotion
- Theories of upper extremity control
- Overview of modeling and simulation of movement
- Editing a generic model
- Kinematics
- Inverse dynamics
- Forward dynamics
- Contact modeling
- Student research presentations

#### **Designation:**

Elective