

ELEC 2009 MICROPROCESSOR SYSTEMS

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 300076

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Description This subject introduces students to the internal structure of microprocessors used in computing systems and their fundamental operations. Topics include assembly language programming, interrupt processing, CPU functions, memory organization, and peripheral programming. The microprocessor and embedded processors are discussed. Students write assembly language programs, debug and create executable files to control microprocessor systems.

School Eng, Design & Built Env

Discipline Computer Engineering

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 2 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Pre-requisite(s) ELEC 1001

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Write assembly language programs
2. Debug assembly programs and create executable files
3. Describe interrupt (exception) processing
4. Explain CPU hardware functions and address decoding (memory/IO)
5. Program peripherals

Subject Content

Instruction format, instruction types and assembler directives
Memory segmentation
20-bit address formation and determination
Addressing modes
Types of instructions
Stack operation and access
Assembly programming
Interrupt processing
BIOS and DOS function calls
CPU structure and pin functions
Instruction execution cycles and system timing diagram
Memory and memory address decoding
Memory-mapped and interrupt-driven I/Os
Peripheral Programming

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Numerical Problem Solving	around 10 pages (each)	25	N	Individual	N
Multiple Choice	30 minutes (per quiz)	10	N	Individual	N
Practical	3 hours (per practical)	10	N	Individual	N
Numerical Problem Solving	2 hours	55	N	Individual	N

Prescribed Texts

- Triebel, W. A., & Singh, A. J. (2014). The 8088 and 8086 microprocessors : programming, interfacing, software, hardware, and applications : including the 80286, 80386, 80486, and Pentium processor families (4th International ed.). Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Pearson.

Teaching Periods

Sydney City Campus - Term 2 (2025)

Sydney City

On-site

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Spring (2025)

Penrith (Kingswood)

Hybrid

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