Syllabus for
ECECS 682 VLSI Testing and Validation
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Goals: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to effectively test VLSI systems using existing test methodologies, equipments, and tools.

Prerequisites: 1. 20-ECES-680, Physical VLSI Design

Topics:

1. Fault modeling
2. Automatic test pattern generation
3. Fault simulation
4. Testability measurements
5. Design for testability and scan test
6. Boundary scan testing
7. Built-in self testing
8. Memory testing
9. Case studies using CPU testing papers
10. Other most up-to-date research topics.

Computer Usage: VLSI test tools on Sun Workstations will be used for all homework and projects.

Laboratory: This course includes extensive lab experiments and hands-on usage of VLSI test equipment and tools as an integral part of the course. Lab sessions will be scheduled
each week and as necessary.

Homework assignments using test pattern generator software on the SUN workstations and testing VLSI circuits using VLSI test equipment (pattern generators, logic analyzers, etc.). These assignments cover combinational and sequential test generation, scan-paths, boundary scan, and testing an existing VLSI chip for detection and location of faults.

**Grading Policy:** Midterm test + Final test: 60%, Assignments + Projects: 40%.

**Late Policy:** 15% off for each day late.

**Cheating Policy:** Cheating in test - will be graded F in this course. Copying assignment – the grade will be divided by the number of people sharing the code.

**Teaching Assistant:** TBD

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**Estimated ABET Engineering Science:** 2 credits or 50%

**Category Content:** Engineering Design: 2 credits or 50%

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