SELF-DRIVING TRACTOR LAB

Autonomous Self-Driving Farming

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MINDS-I STEM INTEGRATED ROBOTICS: AUTONOMOUS SELF-DRIVING FARMING

Take STEM learning to new heights with this cutting edge GPS–IMU powered tractor. Students explore programming, electromechanical systems, and autonomous navigation. Students design, build, and program the tractor for ground-based crop evaluation, spraying, spreading, crop monitoring, and other compelling farming related challenges.

SPARK AND SUSTAIN STUDENTS' INTEREST IN STEM

MINDS-i Robotics engages students in an energizing STEM learning environment with easy to build, program, and modify robots. Technologically advanced farm vehicles perform impressive realworld tasks that build excitement for STEM careers. The curriculum encourages collaborative problemsolving and the open-source C++, Python, or ROS compatible programming language fosters endless creativity. With outstanding technical support, teachers are empowered and students are inspired to build whatever they envision in their "mind's eye.

COURSE DESIGN

This lab is a half semester (45 Hours) and designed for 2-4 students.







DESIGN

PROGRAM



AUTONOMOUS

SWATH PATH



GPS & COMPASS

ENCODER

DASHBOARD

DRONE MODULE

RC CONTROL

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CURRICULUM OUTLINE -45 HOURS

Unit 1: Introduction to Autonomous Vehicles

- 1. Student Performance
- 2. What is an Autonomous Vehicle

Unit 2: Autonomous

Self-Driving Tractor

- 1. Self-Driving Tractors; Levels of Autonomy
- 2. Self-Driving Tractors; Current and Future Use Cases

Unit 3: Autonomous Tractor Technologies

- 1. Self-Driving Tractors; Localization
 - a. GPS Navigation
 - b. Inertial Measurement Unit (Gyro, Accelerometer, Compass)
 - c. Encoder (Cruise Control)
 - d. Localization (Cross-Track Error)
- 2. Self-Driving Tractors; Communication
 - a. Control Systems
 - b. Object Detection & Avoidance

Unit 4: Electrical Engineering & Energy Transfer

- 1. Energy Types & Transfer
- 2. Electric Motors
 - a. How They Work & Benefits
- 3. Batteries
 - a. Usage, Maintenance, Technologies

Unit 5: Applied Systems Thinking

- 1. Inputs, Outputs and Constraints
- 2. Interrelationship Diagrams

Unit 6: Culminating Projects; Automated Farming

- 1. Ground Prep
- 2. Planting
- 3. Fertilizing
- 4. Watering
- 5. Harvesting



I MINDS-I DASHBOARD SOFTWARE & MEGA 2560 HARDWARE

- » Open Source Software / Windows 10, OS X & Linux Ready, Easy to use Graphical Interface
- » Drag and Drop Installation (w/Radio Driver)
- » Save and Load GPS Paths, Capable of Navigating to 100 Waypoints
- » Live Location Tracking and Wirelessly Adjust Settings
- » Customizable Graphs: Latitude, Longitude, Yaw/Direction, Pitch, Roll, Ground Speed, Voltage, Amperage and Altitude
- » Full Telemetry Logging and Inclinometer Gauges

