Final Thoughts - March 12, 2026

Thanks for enrolling in the course

Final presentations, project demonstrations, reports

- awesome!
- I fully appreciate the time and effort you put into your projects and the interest you had in assistive technology

Thank you: As one Oscar winner said, “I did all by myself”. But, of course, there were many others involved.

- Tori - Course Assistant
- 9 - Project Teams = 26 students
- 2 - student Individual Project
- 2 – student CR/NC
- 4 - Project Suggestors:
    - Stickney family: Stanford, Danny, Kiara, Dyer, Korey - 2 projects
    - Abby – 2 projects
    - Olenka and MBP folks – 2 projects
    - Gary – 1 project
- 30 - students - without you there would be no course
- 10 - vendors participating in the Assistive Technology Faire
- 17 - guest lecturers, including 4 students and faculty member with a disability
- 3 - Haas Center for Public Service - Grant funding
- 5 - ME Design Group Admins, including Brittany & Loran
- Many Community Members
- 1392 newsletter readers
- Total = 1475

The course had a deeper goal than learning about assistive technology. I hope you have had a chance to develop, improve, and practice professional skills:

- working with other students
- working in the community
- using an engineering design process to address a problem
- exercising critical thinking
- investigating material for your reports
- fabricating, testing, and evaluating prototypes
- providing weekly updates
- documenting your project by writing reports
- presenting your project
- reflecting on your experience

Most memorable experiences:

- Assistive Technology Faire
- Project efforts
- Guest presenters:
    - Panel of Stanford students with a disability
    - Peter Axelson & Ralf Hotchkiss
    - Field trip to MBP
- Meetings with students & teams

Opportunities:

- SURI this summer, rising ME seniors
- Independent study

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I hope your course, project, and community experiences will stay with you

Was this the best assistive technology course you have ever taken?

Good luck on wherever life takes you, please keep in touch

Thank you for the privilege of presenting this material to you.

Enjoy the burritos and don’t forget to say goodbye before you leave