

Rescue Robotics

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Background & Goals

- 3rd year of UCI Rescue Robotics Competition
- Competition Goal: Expose high school students to STEM via robotics
- MAE 189 Goal: design, upgrade and refine the robots from previous years to incorporate swarming capability
- Real World Implication: Autonomous robot swarms to assist in search & rescue operations.

Purpose

- The main purpose of this project is to help high school students develop interest and technical ability in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) education.



Design & Innovation

- Modify design of existing six-wheeled robot
- Design a smaller robot based on the Rover 5 chassis
- Build and test 3 Android Based Rover 5 robots
- Modify existing program to develop a robotic swarm (3-6 robots)

Robot Specifications

- Inexpensive (\$200 \$1k)
- Traverse any terrain
- Can be rapidly deployed
- Capable of carrying an array of sensors
- Runs on Android OS
- Easily constructed and used by novices

Budget

- MAE 189 Funds: project designed to have a low cost of entry

