



DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

CL132 Engineering Mechanics

Module Registrar:	Taught To (Course): BEng/MEng Civil Engineering,					
	BEng/MEng Civil and Environmental Engineering					
Other Lecturers Involved: Dr. Gloria Castro	Credit Weighting: 20	Semester: 1	-			
Assumed Prerequisites: Higher Maths & Higher Physics (or equivalents)	Compulsory class	Academic Level:	Compulsory class			

Module Format and Delivery (HOURS i.e. 1 credit = 10hrs of study):

Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Groupwork	External	Online	Project	Assignments	Private Study	Total
19	15	11					30	125	200

Educational Aim

This module aims to revise basic mechanics and to provide an introduction to many of the basic concepts used by civil engineers to solve problems in structures, geotechnics, materials and hydraulics.

Develop an understanding of the water systems at work in the environment and the role of water engineers in practice. Revise basic mechanics to provide a basic introduction to fluid mechanics and to lay the foundation for subsequent classes in water engineering.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of the module the student is expected to be able to

- LO1 Derive and apply relationships between basic dimensions and convert their units
- LO2 Find the resultant of a system of forces
- LO3 Draw free body diagrams and analyse equilibrium for 2D systems
- LO4 Define and calculate work done by forces acting on a body
- LO5 Understand the significance of fluid properties and how they define the application of fluid mechanics at work in water engineering systems
- LO6 Analyse hydrostatic forces on simple floating bodies and structures surrounded by water

Syllabus

The module will teach the following:

Weeks 1 – 5 (GC)

- Basic dimensions, units, conversion and dimensional analysis
- Forces and resultants
- Newton's laws
- Friction
- Resolution of forces
- Free body diagrams

- Equilibrium conditions
- Moments and couples
- Support reactions and static determinacy
- Work

Weeks 6 - 10 (TBC)

- Properties of Fluids including density, compressibility, viscosity, vapour pressures, surface tension and capillary action
- Pressure
- Pressure Measurement
- Hydrostatics, Pascal's Law, Fluid pressure, centre of pressure, centroid of area, hydrostatic forces on submerged plane and curved surfaces
- Stability of Floating Bodies: Archimedes Principle, Centre of Buoyancy, Meta-centric height

Assessment of Learning Outcomes

Criteria

For each of the Module Learning Outcomes the following criteria will be used to make judgements on student learning:

- LO1 Derive and apply relationships between basic dimensions and convert their units
- C1 Can do basic calculations involving basic and derived quantities
- C2 Can convert and derive units of basic and derived quantities
- C3 Can check equations are dimensionally correct
- LO2 Find the resultant of a system of forces
- C1 Can find the resultant of a system of forces
- C2 Can resolve a force in its components both graphically and analytically
- C3 Can calculate moments and replace a force by a force couple system.
- LO3 Draw free body diagrams and analyse equilibrium for 2D systems
- C1 Can use trigonometry and geometry to draw free body diagrams of forces on different systems
- C2 Can draw and interpret free body diagrams for bodies experiencing friction on level and inclined surfaces
- C3 Can analyse equilibrium of simple mechanical systems including pulleys, inclines, levers.
- LO4 Define and calculate work done by forces acting on a body
- C1 Can demonstrate an understanding of the concept of work
- C2 Can calculate the work done by forces acting on a body
- LO5 Understand the significance of fluid properties and how they define the application of fluid mechanics at work in water engineering systems
- C1 Ability to solve problems involving properties of fluids
- C2 Ability to solve problems involving fluid properties, shear stress and viscosity
- C2 Ability to use absolute and gauge pressures, piezometers and manometers
- LO6 Analyse hydrostatic forces on simple floating bodies and structures surrounded by water
- C1 Ability to understand and solve problems on the hydrostatic force on floating bodies
- C2 Ability to understand and solve problems on the hydrostatic force on plane submerged surfaces
- C3 Ability to understand and solve problems on the hydrostatic force on curved submerged surfaces

The standards set for each criterion per Module Learning Outcome to achieve a pass grade are indicated on the assessment sheet for all assessment.

Principles of Assessment and Feedback

(within Assessment and Feedback Policy at:

https://www.strath.ac.uk/staff/policies/academic/http://www.strath.ac.uk/learnteach/informationforstaff/staff/assessfeedback/12principles/

Please state briefly how these are incorporated in this module.

- 1. All assignments and assessments combine straightforward and challenging tasks.
- 2. Model solutions are provided for guidance.
- 3. Tutorial problems with answers to encourage and guide private study are provided.
- 4. A one-hour tutorial class is held every week for one-to-one interaction between instructors and students and timely feedback.

Assessment Method(s) Including Percentage Breakdown and Duration of Exams

		Examin	ations		Course	eworks	Projects		
	Number	Month(s)	Duration	Weighting	Number	Weighting	Number	Weighting	
	1	May	2h	70	3	30			
s	All				All				

L/Outcomes

Indicate which learning outcomes (L01, L02 etc) are to be assessed by exam/coursework/project as required.

Lab A: week 5 Lab B: week 11 Weekly online quizzes

Resit Assessment Procedures:

2 hr examination in May diet. No coursework resubmission required.

PLEASE NOTE:

Students must gain a summative mark of 40% to pass the module. Students who fail the module at the first attempt will be re-examined during the August diet. This re-examination will consist entirely of exam. No marks from any previous attempts will be transferred to a new resit attempt.

Recommended Reading

	***Purchase recommended	**Highly recommended reading	*For reference
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*** OpenStax College. University Physics, Volume 1. Rice University. https://www.openstaxcollege.org/textbooks/university-physics

** Hamil, L. (2011) Understanding Hydraulics, 3rd Ed, Palgrave MacMillan.

Additional Student Feedback

(Please specify details of when additional feedback will be provided)

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Approved:

Course Director Signature:	
Date of Last Modifications:	

(Updated May 2018)

MODULE TIMETABLE

Module Code: CL132 Module Title: Engineering Mechanics 1

Brief Description of Assessment:

Quizzes (18% weighting in total)

Nine MyPlace quizzes, one per week except week 9, worth 2% weighting each.

LabA - Laboratory – Tallest toy tower (5%)

LabB - Laboratory – Centre of Pressure (7%)

CT - Class tests

Two class tests provide an opportunity for students to get exempt from the final exam in May. One class test in week 8 evaluates content covered during weeks 1 to 5 (LO1 TO LO4). The second class test on week 11 evaluates the content covered during weeks 6 to 10 (LO5 and LO6).

If the student pass both class tests they will gain an exemption from the final exam in May. In this case, the final exam grade will correspond to an average of the two class test grades.

E - 2 hour final exam (70%)

Assessment Timing:-

Indicate on the table below the start/submission dates for each assignment/project and the timing of each exam/assessment using the dropdowns provided. Dropdowns can be left blank. Add extra notes below the dropdowns.

Please note: Timings can and will change, this should only be used as a guide.

Semester	W&D Wk	WK1	WK2	WK3	WK4	WK5	WK6	WK7	WK8	WK9	WK10	WK11	Exam Period
One	Choose an item. Choose an item.	Online Test Choose an item.	Online Test Choose an item.	Online Test Lab	Online Test Choose an item.	Online Test Lab Report Submiss	Online Test Choose an item.	Online Test Choose an item.	Online Test Choose an item. Class	Choose an item. Lab	Online Test Choose an item.	Lab Report Submiss ion Class	Exam (May)
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