

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	ME23001
Subject Title	Engineering Mechanics
Credit Value	3
Level	2
Pre-requisite/ Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil
Objectives	To provide students the fundamental concepts of mechanics of motion and system equilibrium.
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Apply the fundamental knowledge of mechanics to solve for forces and moments on simple systems. b. Distinguish the basic differences between diverse engineering systems, and select the suitable design in achieving the engineering purposes. c. Employ engineering mechanics to solve the problems encountered in assignments and projects. d. Collaborate with peers from different disciplines in experiments and projects and present effectively the results of experiment or project.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<p><i>Fundamentals of Mechanics</i> - Basic concepts of mechanics. Scalar and Vectors: Vector algebra and vector components. Position, unit and force vectors. Two and three-dimensional force systems. Moment of a force about a point. Moment of a force about a line.</p> <p><i>Dynamics</i> - Kinematics and kinetics of particles, rectilinear motion, plane curvilinear motion, relative motion, equation of motion.</p> <p><i>Statics</i> - Equilibrium of a particle and the associated free-body diagrams. Equilibrium of a rigid body and the associated free body diagram. Two and three force members equilibrium in three dimensions. Simple trusses: The method of joints; the method of sections; zero-force members; the method of sections. Internal forces developed in structural members. Shear and moment equations and diagrams. Relations between distributed load, shear and moment. Theory of dry friction. Systems with friction. Wedges. Belt friction. Rolling resistance.</p> <p><i>Equivalent Systems</i> - Determination of the resultant concurrent forces. Equivalent force/couple systems. Centre of gravity and centroid: by composite parts; by integration. Resultant of a general distributed force system. Moment of inertia of areas. Parallel-axis theorem for an area. Radius of gyration of an area. Calculation of moments of areas: by composite areas; by integration. Product of inertia for an area. Principles of virtual work.</p>

Teaching/Learning Methodology	<p>Lectures are used to deliver the fundamental knowledge in relation to the topics as described in the section subject synopsis (Outcomes a, b and c).</p> <p>Tutorials are used to illustrate the application of fundamental knowledge to practical situations (Outcomes a, b and c).</p> <p>Experiments are used to relate the concepts to practical applications and students are exposed to hand-on experience, proper use of equipment and application of analytical skills on interpreting experimental results (Outcomes c and d).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="499 517 1249 786"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Teaching/Learning Methodology</th> <th colspan="4">Outcomes</th> </tr> <tr> <th>a</th> <th>b</th> <th>c</th> <th>d</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lecture</td> <td>√</td> <td>√</td> <td>√</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tutorial</td> <td>√</td> <td>√</td> <td>√</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Experiment</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>√</td> <td>√</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>						Teaching/Learning Methodology	Outcomes				a	b	c	d	Lecture	√	√	√		Tutorial	√	√	√		Experiment			√	√										
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