MMAN1300
Engineering Mechanics 1
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2. COURSE STAFF

Contact details and consultation times for course convener

Dr Mark Whitty  
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Consultation concerning this course should in the first instance be made with your demonstrators, then using the Moodle discussion forums and as a last resort by email to the course lecturers.

Contact details and consultation times for additional lecturers and tutorial/laboratory teaching staff

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3. COURSE DETAILS

Units of credit

Units of credit: Six (6).  
For MMAN1300 (6UoC) this means roughly:  
In class: 5 hours per week  
Self-study: 6 hours per week  
Total: 11 hours per week

Weekly Schedule

Lecture: Wednesday 1400-1600 Room: Blockhouse 204  
Friday 1400-1500 Room: Old Main Building (OMB) 145

Problem Solving Class: Friday 1500-1700 Rooms: Blockhouse 205 and Webster 256

There is no parallel teaching in this course.
Aims of the course

The aim of this course can be stated simply: For everyone involved (staff, students, demonstrators) to progress further towards becoming really good engineers.

Our field of endeavour will be the concepts and applications of Introductory Engineering Mechanics.

Additionally, we will not measure our progress as the number of equations or facts or theories that we know. Rather as our degree of transformation into someone who sees, understands, can make relevant and accurate predictions, and communicates about the world around us through the lens of Engineering Mechanics.

Context

This is your first course in Engineering Mechanics, which is the study of the interaction of matter and forces in engineering contexts. It is evident that all objects in the world around us are composed of matter, and they are all subject to forces. As such, Engineering Mechanics is the foundational tool for engineers, and forms the underlying basis for understanding more advanced fields such as Solid Mechanics, Fluid Dynamics, Rigid Body Dynamics, Aerodynamics, Structures, Control and many aspects of Advanced Design.

For many of you, this course is a direct pre-cursor to two Year 2 courses: MMAN2400 Solid Mechanics 1 and MMAN2300 Engineering Mechanics 2.

Expected student learning outcomes

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<th>Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:</th>
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<td>1. Explain and describe principles and components of Engineering Mechanics and their inter-relationships formally and informally, in writing and verbally, to technical experts, peers and lay people. Such principles and components include: vectors, forces, torques, mass and inertia, particles and rigid bodies, equilibrium conditions, free and constrained motion of particles and rigid bodies in two dimensions, balance of linear momentum, balance of angular momentum, mechanical work, kinetic and potential energy, mechanical power, and internal forces and bending moments in beams.</td>
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2. Define engineering systems in a mechanically useful way and describe their equilibrium or motion in mathematical and graphical fashion and be able to relate this description to the principles of engineering mechanics. Engineering systems here may be as presented in a textbook or laboratory, or as observed in the everyday world around us.

3. Discern the relevant principles that must be applied to describe the equilibrium or motion of engineering systems and discriminate between relevant and irrelevant information in the context.

4. Demonstrate an ability to communicate clearly and precisely about technical matters related to Engineering Mechanics. Such communication will be verbal, in writing, and in digital media such as videos, audio recordings, and web postings. Additionally, students will be able to demonstrate this ability in jargon-free language as is appropriate for lay persons as well as in technical terms for an intended audience of peers and practicing engineers.

5. Work in formal and informal groups to accomplish tasks that require the application of knowledge of Engineering Mechanics.

UNSW’s graduate attributes are shown at https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/atoz/GraduateAttributes.html

UNSW graduates will be

1. Scholars who are:
   1.1. understanding of their discipline in its interdisciplinary context
   1.2. capable of independent and collaborative enquiry
   1.3. rigorous in their analysis, critique, and reflection
   1.4. able to apply their knowledge and skills to solving problems
   1.5. ethical practitioners
   1.6. capable of effective communication
   1.7. information literate
   1.8. digitally literate

2. Leaders who are:
   2.1. enterprising, innovative and creative
   2.2. capable of initiating as well as embracing change
   2.3. collaborative team workers

3. Professionals who are:
   3.1. capable of independent, self-directed practice
   3.2. capable of lifelong learning
   3.3. capable of operating within an agreed Code of Practice

4. Global Citizens who are:
   4.1. capable of applying their discipline in local, national and international contexts
   4.2. culturally aware and capable of respecting diversity and acting in socially just/responsible ways
   4.3. capable of environmental responsibility
You are also encouraged to compare the learning outcomes with the Engineers Australia Stage 1 Competencies for Professional Engineers. Engineers Australia is the accrediting body for engineering education in Australia, and as such it is necessary that you are able to demonstrate these competencies by the time of your graduation in Engineering.

The Stage 1 Competencies can be found at: http://www.engineersaustralia.org.au/sites/default/files/shado/Education/Program%20Accreditation/110318%20Stage%20Professional%20Engineer.pdf

**4. TEACHING STRATEGIES**

This course will be delivered both in the classroom and online. Full participation in the class means that you will participate fully in both arenas. That is, you will be held accountable for all content, instructions, information, etc. that is delivered either in class or online. There will also be laboratory or practical exercises that you may have to complete during your self-study time.

**Online:** The online forum for participation in this class is the Moodle Platform, specifically the Engineering Mechanics 1 course at http://moodle.telt.unsw.edu.au/course/view.php?id=13587. All official online interactions will take place or be linked clearly and appropriately from this site.

**In class:** There are three in-class activities in a typical week which we refer to as the Wednesday Lecture, Friday Lecture and Problem Solving Class based on the timetable above.

Both the online and in-class segments of this course are organised on the following principles:

1. **Learning:** Student learning is the first priority - teaching and assessment are secondary concerns. Learning here is defined as gaining new ways of seeing the world, not as being filled with information. We are trying to transform you into engineers and critical thinkers in the discipline.

2. **Peer Interaction:** Learning is a social activity, and research shows that you will learn most and best when you are actively taught by your peers and, in turn, when you teach them.

3. **Authenticity:** We will have as much authenticity of engineering practice as is possible within the constraints of the course and where it does not restrain your learning.

4. **High standards:** We will have high standards for achievement in the course, and everyone (including staff) will be accountable for putting in the effort to get you to the standard.
5. **Openness:** As much of the course as possible will be conducted in the open where all participants can be aware of it and comment upon it.

6. **Process:** The focus of the course will be on processes, not outcomes. The right outcomes will be a by-product of following the correct processes.

## 5. ASSESSMENT

As much as is practicable, assessment in the course will be used to see if students have gained new ways of seeing, not to differentiate them from each other or to sort them. This is naturally limited by University rules concerning the grading of students and students desire to understand where they stand in relation to their peers. Further details of individual assessment tasks will be provided on Moodle, including submission procedures and the criteria by which grades will be assigned.

**Late Submission Policy**

Late submission of Problem Solving Exercises (PSEs), Moodle Quizzes, Adaptive eLearning Tutorials, the Group Assignment and the Laboratory Report is **not** permitted in this course. Special consideration may be granted according to the policy listed in the section titled ‘Administrative Matters’ below.

**Presentation Requirements**

All assessed materials should be neat and clear, and demonstrate professionalism. Guidance can be found in the School’s publications Standard Specification for the Presentation of Student Written Assignments and In a Nutshell, both of which are provided in The Guide (see School General Office if you do not have a copy).

Individual Problem Solving Exercises must be submitted to your demonstrators on paper during the problem solving session time and include your name and student number. All other assignments must be submitted to Moodle electronically.

### Assessment Scheme

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<td>3 x Tests (5 marks each)</td>
<td>To assess and provide feedback to you on your basic progress in Learning Outcomes 1-4 periodically throughout the term.</td>
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<td>Group Project</td>
<td>To give you experience in analysing trusses within the context of the real world, working in groups, and in presenting analysis and evaluating the analysis of your peers.</td>
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These activities are designed to allow you to explore fundamental threshold concepts and to demonstrate your ability to think critically and solve problems related to these concepts.

To provide you with rapid feedback on your ability to solve problems related to current topics in the course and to familiarize you with the format and types of questions to be found on the Final Exam. You will have unlimited chances to answer until the deadline.

To provide you with hands-on experience with experimental rigs, and with writing formal engineering reports.

To provide you with feedback in demonstrating the correct processes for solving problems.

To provide you a final chance to show your achievement of Learning Outcomes 1-4.

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| 3    | Test 1  
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2 | Friday 20/3, 3pm  
Friday 20/3, 5pm |
| 4    | Problem Solving Exercise 2  
Adaptive eLearning: Trusses | 1  
2 | Friday 27/3, 5pm  
Friday 27/3, 5pm |
| 5    | Moodle Quiz 2  
Group Assignment: Trusses | 1  
4 | Thursday 2/4, 5pm  
Thursday 2/4, 5pm |
| 6    | Problem Solving Exercise 3  
Adaptive eLearning: Projectile Motion  
Adaptive eLearning: Friction  
Peer Assessment of Group Assignment | 1  
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2 | Friday 17/4, 5pm  
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| 7    | Problem Solving Exercise 4  
Adaptive eLearning: Centroids | 1  
2 | Friday 24/4, 5pm  
Friday 24/4, 5pm |
| 8    | Test 2  
Adaptive eLearning: Impulse & Momentum | 5  
2 | Friday 1/5, 3pm  
Friday 1/5, 5pm |
6. ACADEMIC HONESTY AND PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. Plagiarism is a type of intellectual theft. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement. UNSW has produced a booklet which provides essential information for avoiding plagiarism: https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/academiclife/Plagiarism.pdf

There is a range of resources to support students to avoid plagiarism. The Learning Centre assists students with understanding academic integrity and how not to plagiarise. They also hold workshops and can help students one-on-one. Information is available on the dedicated website Plagiarism and Academic Integrity website: http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism/index.html

You are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study and one of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting and the proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment tasks.

If plagiarism is found in your work when you are in first year, your lecturer will offer you assistance to improve your academic skills. They may ask you to look at some
online resources, attend the Learning Centre, or sometimes resubmit your work with the problem fixed. However, more serious instances in first year, such as stealing another student's work or paying someone to do your work, may be investigated under the Student Misconduct Procedures.

Repeated plagiarism (even in first year), plagiarism after first year, or serious instances, may also be investigated under the Student Misconduct Procedures. The penalties under the procedures can include a reduction in marks, failing a course or for the most serious matters (like plagiarism in an honours thesis) even suspension from the university. The Student Misconduct Procedures are available here: http://www.gs.unsw.edu.au/policy/documents/studentmisconductprocedures.pdf

Further information on School policy and procedures in the event of plagiarism is presented in a School handout, Administrative Matters, available on the School website.

7. RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Essential textbooks (available through the UNSW bookshop)

Meriam J.L., Kraige L.G. Engineering Mechanics:

Students are strongly recommended to purchase both these textbooks as they will be used both in this course and later mechanics courses.

Moodle site for MMAN1300 Access via: http://moodle.telt.unsw.edu.au/my/
School's website http://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/mechanical-engineering/
Library http://info.library.unsw.edu.au/web/services/services.html

8. COURSE EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The UNSW CATEI process will be used to survey your responses to this course. In this way, we can identify the goods bits to keep for next time and the bits that need improving.

Feedback from a previous instance of the course suggested that a large number of small assessment tasks was conducive to continued online learning and this has been maintained. Prior to that, improvements included moving to a single platform for online content delivery and assessment.
You are also encouraged to comment on all aspects of the course using the discussion forum within Moodle while the course is being conducted.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

You are expected to have read and be familiar with Administrative Matters, available on the School website. This document contains important information on student responsibilities and support, including special consideration, assessment, health and safety, and student equity and diversity.

Information on general Occupational Health and Safety policies and expectations is available here: www.ohs.unsw.edu.au

Enclosed footwear is a prerequisite for entering the school laboratories. Further information regarding the OHS requirements for laboratory work will be available on Moodle.

Examination procedures and advice concerning illness or misadventure are detailed in the Administrative Matters document, and in the event of any discrepancy between this course outline and that document precedence will be given to this course outline.

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