CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING (COURSE 1)

Fundamentals

1.00 Engineering Computation and Data Science
Subject meets with 1.001
Prereq: Calculus I (GIR)
U (Spring)
3-2-7 units. REST

Presents engineering problems in a computational setting with emphasis on data science and problem abstraction. Covers exploratory data analysis and visualization, filtering, regression. Building basic machine learning models (classifiers, decision trees, clustering) for smart city applications. Labs and programming projects focused on analytics problems faced by cities, infrastructure, and environment. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments and project work.
J. Williams

1.000 Introduction to Computer Programming and Numerical Methods for Engineering Applications
Prereq: None. Coreq: 18.03
U (Fall)
3-2-7 units. REST

Presents the fundamentals of computing and computer programming (procedural and object-oriented programming) in an engineering context. Introduces logical operations, floating-point arithmetic, data structures, induction, iteration, and recursion. Computational methods for interpolation, regression, root finding, sorting, searching, and the solution of linear systems of equations and ordinary differential equations. Control of sensors and visualization of scientific data. Draws examples from engineering and scientific applications. Students use the MATLAB programming environment to complete weekly assignments.
R. Juanes

1.001 Engineering Computation and Data Science
Subject meets with 1.00
Prereq: Calculus I (GIR)
G (Spring)
3-2-7 units

Presents engineering problems in a computational setting with emphasis on data science and problem abstraction. Covers exploratory data analysis and visualization, filtering, regression. Building basic machine learning models (classifiers, decision trees, clustering) for smart city applications. Labs and programming projects focused on analytics problems faced by cities, infrastructure, and environment. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments and project work.
J. Williams

1.004 Startup Sustainable Tech (New)
Subject meets with 1.147
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units

Provides a practical introduction to key innovations in the fields of civil and environmental engineering that are currently having an impact. Structured around the different aspects of starting and maintaining a company in the first years after incorporation. Key topics include idea protection, team formation, and seed funds. Guest speakers who are involved in the startup process or are successful entrepreneurs present. Under faculty supervision, students work on case studies in areas such as renewable energy, sustainable design, food security, climate change, new infrastructures, and transportation. Concludes with the writing of a SBIR/STTR-type grant or business model. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
B. Marelli

1.006 Tools for Sustainable Design (New)
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units

Conveys the principles, tools, and practice of environmentally sustainable design. Augments understanding of societal limitations to implementation of sustainable solutions, such that they may be strategically navigated. Presents the arguments and historical motivation for early evaluation of environmental impact metrics; illustrates and utilizes modern, rigorous tools for environmental optimization; and highlights national and global experts drawn from non-governmental organizations (NGOs), government, industry, and academia. Provides an overview of the principles of Green Chemistry and Engineering, Life Cycle Analysis, toxicity prediction, and basic chemical and materials flows knowledge.
D. Plata
1.007 Big Engineering: Small Solutions with a Large Impact
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-3 units
Provides a practical introduction to key topics, current research and innovative methods in the diverse field of civil and environmental engineering. Discusses career opportunities, innovation, and entrepreneurship. Under faculty supervision, students work on projects in areas such as renewable energy, sustainable design, food security, climate change, and transportation. Projects focus on design of novel solutions to grand challenges related to infrastructure, systems and the environment, and include elements of the different areas to demonstrate the interconnectedness of the discipline. Preference to first-year students and Course 1 sophomores.
B. Marelli

1.008 Engineering Solutions to Societal Challenges
Prereq: None
U (Fall)
2-1-0 units
Introduces societal-scale problems that span our built infrastructure and natural environment. Faculty members discuss case studies that highlight challenges and opportunities in the areas of smart cities, cyber-physical systems (transportation, electricity, and societal networks), sustainable resource management (land, water, and energy), and resilient design under the changing environment. Students study the use of data and computation in generating insights, and engage in practical laboratory sessions designed to promote critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Subject can count toward the 9-unit discovery-focused credit limit for first year students.
S. Amin

1.009 Climate Change
Prereq: None
U (Fall)
1-0-2 units
Provides an introduction to global climate change processes, drivers, and impacts. Offers exposure to exciting MIT research on climate change. Students explore why and how the world should solve this global problem and how they can contribute to the solutions. Students produce a mini-project on the topic. Subject can count toward the 9-unit discovery-focused credit limit for first year students.
E. Eltahir

1.010 Probability and Causal Inference
Prereq: Calculus II (GIR)
U (Fall)
5-0-7 units
Introduces probability and causal inference with an emphasis on understanding, quantifying, and modeling uncertainty and cause-effect relationships in an engineering context. Topics in the first half include events and their probability, the total probability and Bayes’ theorems, discrete and continuous random variables and vectors, and conditional analysis. Topics in the second half include covariance, correlation, regression analysis, causality analysis, structural causal models, interventions, and hypothesis testing. Concepts illustrated through data and applications.
S. Saavedra

1.013 Senior Civil and Environmental Engineering Design
Prereq: Permission of instructor
U (Fall, Spring)
1-3-2 units
Can be repeated for credit.
Students engage with faculty around a topic of mutual interest, building on the knowledge/skills gained throughout their program. Synthesizes prior coursework and experiences through a semester-long design project and related assignments. Students form teams and work on projects advised by faculty representatives from each core in the 1-ENG curriculum. Teams demonstrate creativity in applying theories and methodologies while considering their project’s technical, environmental and social feasibility. Includes lectures on a variety of related engineering concepts, as well as scholarship and engineering practice and ethics. Provides instruction and practice in oral and written communication.
J. Carstensen

1.015[J] Design of Electromechanical Robotic Systems
Same subject as 2.017[J]
Prereq: 2.003[J], 2.016, and 2.678; Coreq: 2.671
U (Spring)
3-3-6 units. Partial Lab
See description under subject 2.017[J]. Enrollment may be limited due to laboratory capacity.
M. Triantafyllou, M. Sacarny
1.016[J] Design for Complex Environmental Issues: Building Solutions and Communicating Ideas
Same subject as 2.00C[J], EC.746[J]
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-1-5 units
See description under subject 2.00C[J]. Limited to first-year students.
A. W. Epstein, J. Grimm, S. L. Hsu

1.018[J] Fundamentals of Ecology
Same subject as 7.30[J], 12.031[J]
Prereq: None
U (Fall)
4-0-8 units. REST
M. Follows, D. Des Marais

1.020 Engineering Sustainability: Analysis and Design
Prereq: Physics I (GIR), 18.03, and (1.00 or 1.000)
U (Spring)
3-2-7 units
Introduces a systems approach to modeling, analysis, and design of sustainable systems. Covers principles of dynamical systems, network models, optimization, and control, with applications in ecosystems, infrastructure networks, and energy systems. Includes a significant programming component. Students implement and analyze numerical models of systems, and make design decisions to balance physical, environmental, and economic considerations based on real and simulated data.
S. Amin

1.021 Introduction to Modeling and Simulation
Engineering School-Wide Elective Subject.
Offered under: 1.021, 3.021, 10.333, 22.00
Prereq: 18.03, 3.016B, or permission of instructor
U (Spring)
4-0-8 units. REST
See description under subject 3.021.
M. Buehler, R. Freitas

1.022 Introduction to Network Models
Prereq: (1.010, 18.03, and (1.00 or 1.000)) or permission of instructor
U (Fall)
4-0-8 units
Provides an introduction to complex networks, their structure, and function, with examples from engineering, applied mathematics and social sciences. Topics include spectral graph theory, notions of centrality, random graph models, contagion phenomena, cascades and diffusion, and opinion dynamics.
A. Jadababaie

1.032 Advanced Soil Mechanics
Subject meets with 1.361
Prereq: 1.037
U (Fall; first half of term)
3-0-6 units
Covers topics in the characterization and nature of soils as multiphase materials; the principle of effective stress; hydraulic conductivity and groundwater seepage; shear strength and stability analyses; stress-deformation properties, consolidation theory and calculation of settlements for clays and sands. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
A. Whittle

1.035 Mechanics of Materials
Subject meets with 1.535
Prereq: 1.050 or permission of instructor
U (Spring)
3-2-7 units
Introduces the structure and properties of natural and manufactured building materials, including rheology elasticity, fracture mechanics, viscoelasticity and plasticity. Emphasizes effects of molecular and nanoscopic structure and interactions on macroscopic material behavior. Focuses on design of natural and structural materials. Discusses material aspects of sustainable development. Presents principles of experimental characterization techniques. Explores microscopic and macroscopic mechanical approaches to characterize structure and properties of materials. In laboratory and in-field sessions, students design and implement experimental approaches to characterize natural and building materials and study their interaction with the environment. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
F. J. Ulm
1.036 Structural Mechanics and Design
Prereq: 1.035 and 1.050
U (Spring)
3-1-8 units
Familiarizes students with structural systems, loads, and basis for structural design, including analysis of determinate and indeterminate structures (trusses, beams, frames, cables, and arches). Covers mechanical properties of construction materials, including concrete, steel, and composites. Studies concrete and steel structures through application of principles of structural mechanics. Evaluates behavior and design of reinforced concrete structural elements using limit strength design and serviceability principles. Introduces plastic analysis and design, and load factor design of structural steel members and connections. Team project emphasizes material covered through behavior and problem-based learning.
O. Buyukozturk

1.037 Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Design
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-2-7 units
Provides an introduction to soils as engineering materials, including classification and characterization, pore pressures and seepage, principles of effective stress and consolidation, deformation, and shear strength properties. Surveys analysis methods, with a focus on slope stability, limiting earth pressures and bearing capacity, and settlements of foundations. Examines applications in the design of earth dams, earth retaining systems, foundations, and staged construction processes.
A. Whittle

1.041 Transportation Systems Modeling
Prereq: 1.010 and (1.00 or 1.000)
U (Fall)
3-1-8 units
Introduces basic concepts of transportation systems modeling, data analysis and visualization techniques. Covers fundamental analytical and simulation-based methodologies. Topics include time-space diagrams, cumulative plots, queueing theory, network science, data analysis, and their applications. Provides students with an understanding of the current challenges and opportunities in different areas of transportation.
C. Osorio

1.050 Solid Mechanics
Prereq: Physics I (GIR); Coreq: Calculus II (GIR)
U (Fall)
3-2-7 units. REST
Basic principles of mechanics to describe the behavior of materials, structures and fluids. Dimensional analysis, conservation of momentum, static equilibrium, stress and stress states, hydrostatics, moments and forces. Material and structural strength criteria. Deformation and strain. Conservation of energy in solid mechanics, elasticity and elasticity bounds. Energy dissipation, plasticity and fracture. Open-ended geotechnical and structural engineering studio exercises and experiments with natural and man-made physical systems.
F. J. Ulm

1.053[J] Dynamics and Control I
Same subject as 2.003[J]
Prereq: Physics II (GIR); Coreq: 2.087 or 18.03
U (Fall, Spring)
4-1-7 units. REST
See description under subject 2.003[J].
J. K. Vandiver, N. C. Makris, N. M. Patrikalakis, T. Peacock, D. Gossard, K. Turitsyn

1.054 Mechanics and Design of Concrete Structures
Subject meets with 1.541
Prereq: 1.035
U (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Studies strength and deformation of concrete under various states of stress; failure criteria; concrete plasticity; and fracture mechanics concepts. Topics include fundamental behavior of reinforced concrete structural systems and their members; basis for design and code constraints; high-performance concrete materials and their use in innovative design solutions; and yield line theory for slabs. Uses behavior models and nonlinear analysis. Covers complex systems, including bridge structures, concrete shells, and containments. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
O. Buyukozturk

1.056[J] Introduction to Structural Design
Same subject as 4.440[J]
Subject meets with 4.462
Prereq: Calculus II (GIR)
U (Spring)
3-3-6 units. REST
See description under subject 4.440[J].
Consult J. Carstensen
1.057 Heritage Science and Technology
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Fall)
2-3-4 units

Interdisciplinary, applied introduction to ancient materials and technology. Students explore materials sustainability and durability from multiple perspectives, using ancient societies, architecture and building materials as time-proven examples of innovation in construction. Involves discussions of peer-reviewed literature and cultural heritage, project formulation, data collection, and data analysis. Culminates in presentation of research project(s), and write-ups of the research in manuscript form.

A. Masic

1.058 Structural Dynamics
Subject meets with 1.581[J], 2.606[J], 16.221[J]
Prereq: 18.03 or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Fall)
3-0-9 units

Examines response of structures to dynamic excitation: free vibration, harmonic loads, pulses and earthquakes. Covers systems of single- and multiple-degree-of-freedom, up to the continuum limit, by exact and approximate methods. Includes applications to buildings, ships, aircraft and offshore structures. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

T. Cohen

1.060 Fluid Mechanics
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
4-2-6 units

Credit cannot also be received for 1.060A


B. Marelli

1.060A Fluid Mechanics I
Prereq: None. Coreq: 18.03; or permission of instructor
U (Spring; first half of term)
2-1-3 units

Credit cannot also be received for 1.060


B. Marelli

1.061 Transport Processes in the Environment
Subject meets with 1.61
Prereq: 1.060
U (Fall)
3-1-8 units

Credit cannot also be received for 1.061A

Introduction to mass transport in environmental flows, with emphasis on river and lake systems. Covers derivation and solutions to the differential form of mass conservation equations, hydraulic models for environmental systems, residence time distribution, molecular and turbulent diffusion for continuous and point sources, boundary layers, dissolution, bed-water exchange, air-water exchange, and particle transport. Meets with 1.061A first half of term. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

H. M. Nepf

1.061A Transport Processes in the Environment I
Prereq: 1.060A
U (Fall; first half of term)
2-1-3 units

Credit cannot also be received for 1.061, 1.61

Introduction to mass transport in environmental flows. Covers derivation and solution to the differential form of mass conservation, hydraulic models for environmental systems, residence time distribution, and molecular and turbulent diffusion for continuous and point sources. Meets with 1.061 first half of term.

H. Nepf

1.062[J] Nonlinear Dynamics: Continuum Systems
Same subject as 12.207[J], 18.354[J]
Subject meets with 18.3541
Prereq: Physics II (GIR) and (18.03 or 18.032)
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units

See description under subject 18.354[J].

O. Kodio
1.063 Fluids and Diseases
Subject meets with 1.631[J], 2.250[J], HST.537[J]
Prereq: 18.03 or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Spring)
3-3-6 units

Designed for students in engineering and the quantitative sciences who want to explore applications of mathematics, physics and fluid dynamics to infectious diseases and health; and for students in epidemiology, environmental health, ecology, medicine, and systems modeling seeking to understand physical and spatial modeling, and the role of fluid dynamics and physical constraints on infectious diseases and pathologies. The first part of the class reviews modeling in epidemiology and data collection, and highlights concepts of spatial modeling and heterogeneity. The remainder highlights multi-scale dynamics, the role of fluids and fluid dynamics in physiology, and pathology in a range of infectious diseases. The laboratory portion entails activities aimed at integrating applied learning with theoretical concepts discussed in lectures and covered in problem sets. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

L. Bourouiba

1.064 Physical Limnology
Subject meets with 1.64
Prereq: 1.061
U (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units

Provides an introduction to physical processes occurring in lakes and shallow surface water systems with emphasis on mechanisms affecting fate and transport. Topics include internal waves, differential heating and cooling, boundary mixing, turbulent mixing, and influence of vegetation. Begins with a review of Navier-Stokes equation. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

H. M. Nepf

1.068 Nonlinear Dynamics and Turbulence
Subject meets with 1.686[J], 2.033[J], 18.358[J]
Prereq: 1.060A
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Spring)
3-2-7 units

Reviews theoretical notions of nonlinear dynamics, instabilities, and waves with applications in fluid dynamics. Discusses hydrodynamic instabilities leading to flow destabilization and transition to turbulence. Focuses on physical turbulence and mixing from homogeneous isotropic turbulence. Also covers topics such as rotating and stratified flows as they arise in the environment, wave-turbulence, and point source turbulent flows. Laboratory activities integrate theoretical concepts covered in lectures and problem sets. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

L. Bourouiba

1.070A[J] Introduction to Hydrology and Water Resources
Same subject as 12.320A[J]
Prereq: 1.060A; Coreq: 1.061A and 1.106
U (Fall; first half of term)
2-0-4 units

Water in the environment; Water resource systems; The hydrologic cycle at its role in the climate system; Surface water and energy balance; evaporation and transpiration through vegetation; Precipitation formation, infiltration, storm runoff, and flood processes; Groundwater aquifers, subsurface flow and the hydraulics of wells.

D. Entekhabi

1.070B[J] Introduction to Hydrology Modeling
Same subject as 12.320B[J]
Prereq: 1.070A[J]
U (Fall; second half of term)
2-0-4 units

Develops understanding of numerical modeling of aquifers, groundwater flow and contaminant transport, as well as uncertainty and risk analysis for water resources.

D. Entekhabi
1.071[J] Global Change Science
Same subject as 12.300[J]
Prereq: 18.03
Acad Year 2020-2021: U (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
Introduces the basic relevant principles and concepts in atmospheric physics, climate dynamics, biogeochemistry, and water and energy balance at the land-atmosphere boundary, through an examination of two current problems in the global environment: carbon dioxide and global warming; and tropical deforestation and regional climate. An introduction to global environmental problems for students in basic sciences and engineering.
E. A. B. Eltahir

1.072 Groundwater Hydrology
Subject meets with 1.72
Prereq: 1.061
U (Spring)
3-1-8 units
Presents the fundamentals of subsurface flow and transport, emphasizing the role of groundwater in the hydrologic cycle, the relation of groundwater flow to geologic structure, and the management of contaminated groundwater. Topics include Darcy equation, flow nets, mass conservation, the aquifer flow equation, heterogeneity and anisotropy, storage properties, regional circulation, unsaturated flow, recharge, stream-aquifer interaction, well hydraulics, flow through fractured rock, numerical models, groundwater quality, contaminant transport processes, dispersion, decay, and adsorption. Includes laboratory and computer demonstrations. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
C. Harvey

1.073 Introduction to Environmental Data Analysis
Prereq: 1.010
U (Fall)
2-0-4 units
Covers theory and practical methods for the analysis of univariate data sets. Topics include basics of statistical inference, analysis of trends and stationarity; Gaussian stochastic processes, covariance and correlation analysis, and introduction to spectral analysis. Students analyze data collected from the civil, environment, and systems domains.
E. Eltahir

1.074 Multivariate Data Analysis
Prereq: 1.010
U (Spring; first half of term)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-0-4 units
Introduction to statistical multivariate analysis methods and their applications to analyze data and mathematical models. Topics include sampling, experimental design, regression analysis, specification testing, dimension reduction, categorical data analysis, classification and clustering.

1.075 Water Resource Systems
Subject meets with 1.731
Prereq: 1.070B[J] or permission of instructor
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Surveys optimization and simulation methods for management of water resources. Case studies illustrate linear, quadratic, nonlinear programming and real-time control. Applications include river basin planning, irrigation and agriculture, reservoir operations, capacity expansion, assimilation of remote sensing data, and sustainable resource development. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
D. McLaughlin

1.078 Soil and Environmental Biogeochemistry
Subject meets with 1.78
Prereq: None
U (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-2-7 units
Presents the physical, chemical, biological and genetic properties of soils, their global distribution, and response to management. Introduces Earth’s different soil types and their classification; links characteristics with contemporary and historic issues surrounding natural and managed soil systems. Emphasizes soil chemical processes controlling the cycling and fate of soil nutrients and contaminants, including chemical equilibria in soils and natural waters, reduction-oxidation, mineral surface chemistry and precipitation-dissolution reactions. Introduces coupled physical-chemical-biological soil processes that control the transport of porewater constituents. Topics include soil carbon cycling, water and fertilizer management, and challenges associated with soil salinity-sodicity, erosion, and pollution. Students taking graduate version complete a laboratory-based project.
B. Kocar
1.079 Rock-on-a-Chip: Microfluidic Technology for Visualization of Flow in Porous Media
Subject meets with 1.79
Prereq: (Physics II (GIR), 1.050, 1.060, and (1.00, 1.000, or 6.0002)) or permission of instructor
U (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-2-8 units
Introduces an innovative approach that uses 3D printing and microfluidic technology to characterize and visualize flow in porous media like soils and rocks. Covers single-phase flow and transport (laser fluorescence, particle image velocimetry), capillarity and wettability, multiphase flow, fracturing of granular media. In lab, students work in groups to unravel the physics and chemistry of flow in porous media, with applications to energy and environmental processes, such as groundwater resources, energy recovery, and carbon sequestration. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments. Enrollment limited; preference to Course 1 majors and Energy Studies minors.
R. Juanes

1.080 Environmental Chemistry
Prereq: Chemistry (GIR)
U (Spring)
4-0-8 units
Introduces environmental chemistry with a focus on using thermodynamics to understand processes governing chemical behaviors in natural and engineered systems. Topics include vaporization, gas-solution partitioning, salt and mineral dissolution/precipitation, acid-base chemistry, metal complexation, adsorption via ion exchange, and absorption within natural organic matter and organism tissues. Process formulations are combined in box models to compare with observations. Covers intermediate topics in environmental chemistry requiring kinetics to understand processes governing biogeochemical behaviors in natural and engineered systems. Topics include atmospheric oxidations, radiochemistry, mass transfers, and catalysis. Combines an introduction to geochemical modeling, using transport and transformation process formulations in chemical fate models, to compare with observations of concentrations as a function of space and time.
P. Gschwend

1.081[J] Environmental Cancer Risks, Prevention, and Therapy
Same subject as 20.104[J]
Prereq: Biology (GIR), Calculus II (GIR), and Chemistry (GIR)
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 20.104[J].
W. Thilly, R. McCunney

1.082 Ethics for Engineers
Engineering School-Wide Elective Subject.
Offered under: 1.082, 2.900, 6.904, 10.01, 16.676, 22.014
Subject meets with 6.9041, 20.005
Prereq: None
U (Fall, Spring)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject 10.01. Limited to 18 per section.
D. A. Lauflenberg, B.L. Trout

1.084[J] Applied Microbiology
Same subject as 20.106[J]
Prereq: Biology (GIR) and Chemistry (GIR)
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Fall)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 20.106[J].
J. C. Niles, K. Ribbeck

1.085[J] Air Pollution and Atmospheric Chemistry
Same subject as 12.336[J]
Prereq: 18.03
U (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Provides a working knowledge of basic air quality issues, with emphasis on a multidisciplinary approach to investigating the sources and effects of pollution. Topics include emission sources; atmospheric chemistry and removal processes; meteorological phenomena and their impact on pollution transport at local to global scales; air pollution control technologies; health effects; and regulatory standards. Discusses regional and global issues, such as acid rain, ozone depletion and air quality connections to climate change.
C. Heald
1.088 Genomics and Evolution of Infectious Disease
Subject meets with 1.881[J], HST.538[J]
Prereq: Biology (GIR) and (1.000 or 6.0002)
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Provides a thorough introduction to the forces driving infectious disease evolution, practical experience with bioinformatics and computational tools, and discussions of current topics relevant to public health. Topics include mechanisms of genome variation in bacteria and viruses, population genetics, outbreak detection and tracking, strategies to impede the evolution of drug resistance, emergence of new disease, and microbiomes and metagenomics. Discusses primary literature and computational assignments. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
T. Lieberman

1.089 Earth's Microbiomes
Subject meets with 1.89
Prereq: Biology (GIR)
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Provides a general introduction to the diverse roles of microorganisms in natural and artificial environments. Topics include energetics and growth, evolution and gene flow, population and community dynamics, water and soil microbiology, biogeochemical cycling, and microorganisms in biodeterioration and bioremediation. 7.014 recommended as prerequisite; students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
M. Polz, O. Cordero

1.091 Traveling Research Environmental eXperience (TREX): Fieldwork
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (IAP)
1-2-0 units
Introduction to environmental fieldwork and research, with a focus on data collection and analysis. Subject spans three weeks, including two weeks of fieldwork, and involves one or more projects central to environmental science and engineering. Location varies year-to-year, though recent projects have focused on the island of Hawaii. Limited to Course 1 students.
B. Kocar

1.092 Traveling Research Environmental eXperience (TREX): Fieldwork Analysis and Communication
Prereq: 1.091
U (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
1-3-5 units
Building on fieldwork and research conducted in 1.091 over IAP, students focus on interpretation of results and research in support of the fieldwork, with instruction and practice in oral and written communication. Includes a survey of the relevant peer-reviewed literature; laboratory measurements of field samples and/or instrumental response; data analysis and interpretation; and dissemination of results. Culminates in presentation of research project(s), and write-ups of the research in manuscript form. Sequence of 1.091 and 1.092 must be completed in consecutive terms. Limited to Course 1 majors and minors.
B. Kocar

1.097 Introduction to Civil and Environmental Engineering Research
Prereq: None
U (IAP)
1-5-0 units
Students work one-on-one with a CEE graduate student or postdoc mentor on a project that aligns with their research interests. Previous project topics include transportation networks, structural mechanics, sediment transport, climate science, and microbial ecology. Includes weekly seminar-style talks. Intended for first-year students.
Staff
Undergraduate Laboratory Subjects

1.101 Introduction to Civil and Environmental Engineering Design I
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Fall)
0-4-2 units. Partial Lab

Introduces the creative design process in the context of civil and environmental engineering. Emphasizes the idea-to-product trajectory: identification of a design question/problem, evaluation of requirements/constraints set by the application and/or client, and implementation into a concrete product deliverable. Fosters active learning through open-ended, student-driven projects in which teams apply the design process to a design/planning problem. In labs, students design and build a working model or an experiment that addresses a specific engineering aspect of their project. In addition to written and oral presentations, students start a web-based portfolio. Satisfies 6 units of Institute Laboratory credit. Enrollment limited; preference to Course 1 majors and minors.

T. Cohen

1.102 Introduction to Civil and Environmental Engineering Design II
Prereq: 1.101 and (Physics II (GIR) or Coreq: 1.060)
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Spring)
1-3-2 units. Partial Lab

Project-oriented subject focused on the principles and practice of engineering design. Emphasis on construction and deployment of designs, plus performance testing used to determine if designs behave as expected. Includes a major team project involving use and application of sensors, as well as environmentally-friendly, and energy-effective or energy-producing designs. Develops practical, teamwork and communication skills. Satisfies 6 units of Institute Laboratory credit. Enrollment limited; preference to Course 1 majors and minors.

A. Masic

1.106 Environmental Fluid Transport Processes and Hydrology Laboratory
Prereq: None. Coreq: 1.061A
U (Spring)
0-4-2 units. Partial Lab

Fundamentals of mass transport and flow measurement in environmental systems. Topics include analysis of measurement uncertainty, diffusion, dispersion, air-water exchange, dissolution, and porous media flow. Develops communication skills through the writing and revision of formal lab reports and short oral presentations. Satisfies 6 units of Institute Laboratory credit. Enrollment limited; preference to 1-ENG majors.

H. Nepf

1.107 Environmental Chemistry Laboratory
Prereq: None. Coreq: 1.080
U (Spring)
0-4-2 units. Partial Lab

Laboratory and field techniques in environmental engineering and its application to the understanding of natural and engineered ecosystems. Exercises involve data collection and analysis covering a range of topics, spanning all major domains of the environment (air, water, soils, and sediments), and using a number of modern environmental analytical techniques. Instruction and practice in written and oral communication provided. Concludes with a student-designed final project, which is written up in the form of a scientific manuscript. Satisfies 6 units of Institute Laboratory credit. Enrollment limited; preference to 1-ENG.

D. Plata
Engineering Information Systems and Computation

1.124[J] Software and Computation for Simulation
Same subject as 2.091[J]
Prereq: 1.00 or permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units

Modern software development techniques and algorithms for engineering computation. Hands-on investigation of computational and software techniques for simulating engineering systems, such as sensor networks, traffic networks, and discrete simulation of materials using atomistic and particle methods. Covers data structures and algorithms for modeling, analysis, and visualization in the setting of multi-core and distributed computing. Treatment of basic topics, such as queuing, sorting and search algorithms, and more advanced numerical techniques based on state machines and distributed agents. Foundation for in-depth exploration of image processing, optimization, finite element and particle methods, computational materials, discrete element methods, and network methods. Knowledge of an object-oriented language required.

J. R. Williams

1.125 Architecting and Engineering Software Systems
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units

Software architecting and design of cloud-based software-intensive systems. Targeted at future engineering managers who must understand both the business and technical issues involved in architecting enterprise-scale systems. Student teams confront technically challenging problems. Introduces modern dev-ops concepts and cloud-computing, including cloud orchestration for machine learning. Also discusses cyber-security issues of key management and use of encrypted messaging for distributed ledgers, e.g., blockchain. Students face problem solving in an active learning lab setting, completing in-class exercises and weekly assignments leading to a group project. Some programming experience preferred. Enrollment limited.

J. Williams

1.128[J] Computational Geometry
Same subject as 2.089[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units

See description under subject 2.089[J].

N. M. Patrikalakis, D. C. Gossard

Engineering Analysis Methods

1.138[J] Wave Propagation
Same subject as 2.062[J], 18.376[J]
Prereq: 2.003[J] and 18.075
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units

See description under subject 2.062[J].
T. R. Akylas, R. R. Rosales

Engineering Systems, Economics, and Optimization

1.142[J] Robust Modeling, Optimization, and Computation
Same subject as 15.094[J]
Prereq: 18.06 or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
4-0-8 units

See description under subject 15.094[J].
D. Bertsimas

1.146 Engineering Systems Analysis for Design
Engineering School-Wide Elective Subject.
Offered under: 1.146, 16.861, IDS.332
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Credit cannot also be received for IDS.333
See description under subject IDS.332. Enrollment limited.
R. de Neufville

1.147 Startup Sustainable Tech (New)
Subject meets with 1.004
Prereq: None
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units

Provides a practical introduction to key innovations in the fields of civil and environmental engineering that are currently having an impact. Structured around the different aspects of starting and maintaining a company in the first years after incorporation. Key topics include idea protection, team formation, and seed funds. Guest speakers who are involved in the startup process or are successful entrepreneurs present. Under faculty supervision, students work on case studies in areas such as renewable energy, sustainable design, food security, climate change, new infrastructures, and transportation. Concludes with the writing of a SBIR/STTR-type grant or business model. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
B. Marelli
Transportation

1.200[J] Transportation Systems Analysis: Performance and Optimization
Same subject as 11.544[J]
Prereq: 1.010 and permission of instructor
G (Fall)
3-1-8 units

Problem-motivated introduction to methods, models and tools for the analysis and design of transportation networks including their planning, operations and control. Capacity of critical elements of transportation networks. Traffic flows and deterministic and probabilistic delay models. Formulation of optimization models for planning and scheduling of freight, transit and airline systems, and their solution using software packages. User- and system-optimal traffic assignment. Control of traffic flows on highways, urban grids, and airspace.
C. Osorio

1.201[J] Transportation Systems Analysis: Demand and Economics
Same subject as 11.545[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-1-8 units

Covers the key principles governing transportation systems planning and management. Introduces the microeconomic concepts central to transportation systems. Topics include economic theories of the firm, consumer, and market, demand models, discrete choice analysis, cost models and production functions, and pricing theory. Applications to transportation systems - including congestion pricing, technological change, resource allocation, market structure and regulation, revenue forecasting, public and private transportation finance, and project evaluation - cover urban passenger transportation, freight, maritime, aviation, and intelligent transportation systems.
Staff

1.202 Demand Modeling
Prereq: 1.201[J] or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-1-8 units

Theory and application of modeling and statistical methods for analysis and forecasting of demand for facilities, services, and products. Topics include: review of probability and statistics, estimation and testing of linear regression models, theory of individual choice behavior, derivation, estimation, and testing of discrete choice models (including logit, nested logit, GEV, probit, and mixture models), estimation under various sample designs and data collection methods (including revealed and stated preferences), sampling, aggregate forecasting methods, and iterative proportional fitting and related methods. Lectures reinforced with case studies, which require specification, estimation, testing, and analysis of models using data sets from actual applications.
Staff

Same subject as 15.073[J], IDS.700[J]
Prereq: 6.041B or 18.600
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units

A vigorous use of probabilistic models to approximate real-life situations in Finance, Operations Management, Economics, and Operations Research. Emphasis on how to develop a suitable probabilistic model in a given setting and, merging probability with statistics, and on how to validate a proposed model against empirical evidence. Extensive treatment of Monte Carlo simulation for modeling random processes when analytic solutions are unattainable.
A. Barnett
1.205 Advanced Demand Modeling
Prereq: 1.202 or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Fall)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
Advanced theories and applications of models for analysis and forecasting of users’ behavior and demand for facilities, services, and products. Topics vary each year and typically include linear and nonlinear latent variable models, including structural equations and latent class models; estimation techniques with multiple data sources; joint discrete and continuous choice models; dynamic models; analysis of panel data; analysis of complex choices; estimation and forecasting with large choice sets; multidimensional probabilistic choice models; advanced choice models, including probit, logit mixtures, treatment of endogeneity, hybrid choice models, hidden Markov models, Monte Carlo simulation, Bayesian methods, survey design, sampling, model transferability, and use of stated preferences data. Term paper required.
M. Ben-Akiva

1.208 Resilient Networks
Prereq: 6.431 or 15.093[J]
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Fall)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
Network and combinatorial optimization methods and game-theoretic modeling for resilience of large-scale networks against disruptions, both random and adversarial. Topics include network resilience metrics, interdiction and security games, strategic resource allocation and network design, cascades in networks, routing games and network equilibrium models, reliability and security assessment of networked systems, and incentive problems in network security. Applications to transportation, logistics, supply chain, communication, and electric power systems.
S. Amin

1.231[J] Planning and Design of Airport Systems
Same subject as 16.781[J], IDS.670[J]
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Fall)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
Focuses on current practice, developing trends, and advanced concepts in airport design and planning. Considers economic, environmental, and other trade-offs related to airport location, as well as the impacts of emphasizing “green” measures. Includes an analysis of the effect of airline operations on airports. Topics include demand prediction, determination of airfield capacity, and estimation of levels of congestion; terminal design; the role of airports in the aviation and transportation system; access problems; optimal configuration of air transport networks and implications for airport development; and economics, financing, and institutional aspects. Special attention to international practice and developments.
R. de Neufville, A. R. Odoni

1.232[J] The Airline Industry
Same subject as 15.054[J], 16.71[J]
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 16.71[J].
P. P. Belobaba, H. Balakrishnan, A. I. Barnett, R. J. Hansman, T. A. Kochan

1.233[J] Air Transportation Operations Research
Same subject as 16.763[J]
Prereq: 6.431, 15.093[J], 16.71[J], or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 16.763[J].
H. Balakrishnan, C. Barnhart, P. P. Belobaba

1.234[J] Airline Management
Same subject as 16.75[J]
Prereq: 16.71[J]
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 16.75[J].
P. P. Belobaba
1.251[J] Comparative Land Use and Transportation Planning
Same subject as 11.526[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 11.526[J].

C. Zegras

1.253[J] Transportation Policy, the Environment, and Livable Communities
Same subject as 11.543[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 11.543[J].

J. Coughlin

1.260[J] Logistics Systems
Same subject as 15.770[J], IDS.730[J], SCM.260[J]
Subject meets with SCM.271
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject SCM.260[J].

Y. Sheffi, C. Caplice

1.261[J] Case Studies in Logistics and Supply Chain Management
Same subject as 15.771[J], SCM.261[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-0-6 units
See description under subject SCM.261[J].

J. Byrnes

1.263[J] Urban Last-Mile Logistics
Same subject as 11.263[J], SCM.293[J]
Prereq: SCM.254 or permission of instructor
G (Spring; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject SCM.293[J].

M. Winkenbach

1.265[J] Global Supply Chain Management
Same subject as 2.965[J], 15.765[J], SCM.265[J]
Prereq: 15.761, 15.778, SCM.260[J], SCM.261[J], or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-0-4 units
See description under subject SCM.265[J].

Staff

1.266 Supply Chain and Demand Analytics (New)
Prereq: 15.761 or SCM.260[J]
G (Spring; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
Focuses on effective supply chain and demand analytics for companies that operate globally, with emphasis on how to plan and integrate supply chain components into a coordinated system. Exposes students to concepts, models and machine learning, and optimization-based algorithms important in supply chain planning, with emphasis on supply chain segmentation, inventory optimization, supply and demand coordination, supply chain resiliency, and flexibility.

D. Simchi-Levi

1.267 Statistical Learning in Operations (New)
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
Focuses on applications of machine learning methods, combined with OR techniques, to study a variety of operational problems — from supply chain through revenue management all the way to healthcare management. The class will bring together two different disciplines, Operations Research and Computer Science, to develop both theory and effective techniques for dealing with operational problems.

D. Simchi-Levi

1.27 Studies in Transportation
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.

Individual advanced study of a topic in transportation systems, selected with the approval of the instructor.

Staff
Same subject as 15.764[J], IDS.250[J]
Prereq: (6.436[J] and (6.251[J] or 6.251[J])) or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Can be repeated for credit.
See description under subject 15.764[J].
D. Simchi-Levi, N. Trichakis, K. Zheng

1.273[J] Supply Chain Planning
Same subject as 15.762[J], IDS.735[J]
Prereq: 15.761 or SCM.260[J]
G (Spring; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject 15.762[J].
D. Simchi-Levi

1.274[J] Manufacturing System and Supply Chain Design
Same subject as 15.763[J], IDS.736[J]
Prereq: 15.761, 15.778, or SCM.260[J]
G (Spring; second half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject 15.763[J].
D. Simchi-Levi

1.275[J] Business and Operations Analytics
Same subject as IDS.305[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject IDS.305[J].
D. Simchi-Levi

1.284[J] Analyzing and Accounting for Regional Economic Change
Same subject as 11.481[J]
Prereq: 14.03 and 14.04
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 11.481[J].
Staff

1.285[J] Regional Socioeconomic Impact Analyses and Modeling
Same subject as 11.482[J]
Prereq: 11.481[J] or permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-1-9 units
See description under subject 11.482[J].
K. R. Polenske

Same subject as 11.477[J]
Subject meets with 11.165
Prereq: 11.203, 14.01, or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Fall)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 11.477[J].
D. Hsu

Geoenvironmental and Geotechnical Engineering

1.322 Soil Behavior
Prereq: 1.361
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
4-0-8 units
Detailed study of soil properties with emphasis on interpretation of field and laboratory test data and their use in soft-ground construction engineering. Includes: consolidation and secondary compression; basic strength principles; stress-strain strength behavior of clays, emphasizing effects of sample disturbance, anisotropy, and strain rate; strength and compression of granular soils; and engineering properties of compacted soils. Some knowledge of field and laboratory testing assumed; 1.37 desirable.
A. J. Whittle
1.351 Theoretical Soil Mechanics  
Prereq: 1.361  
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)  
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered  
3-0-9 units  
A. J. Whittle

1.361 Advanced Soil Mechanics  
Subject meets with 1.032  
Prereq: 1.036  
G (Fall; first half of term)  
3-0-6 units  
Covers topics in the characterization and nature of soils as multiphase materials; the principle of effective stress; hydraulic conductivity and groundwater seepage; shear strength and stability analyses; stress-deformation properties, consolidation theory and calculation of settlements for clays and sands.  
A. Whittle

1.364 Advanced Geotechnical Engineering  
Prereq: 1.361  
G (Fall; second half of term)  
3-0-6 units  
Methodology for site characterization and geotechnical aspects of the design and construction of foundation systems. Topics include site investigation (with emphasis on in situ testing), shallow (footings and raftings) and deep (piles and caissons) foundations, excavation support systems, groundwater control, slope stability, soil improvement (compaction, soil reinforcement, etc.), and construction monitoring.  
A. Whittle

1.38 Engineering Geology  
Prereq: Permission of instructor  
G (Fall)  
3-1-8 units  
Studies the effect of geologic features and processes on constructed facilities; interaction between the geologic environment and man-made structures, and human activities in general. Planning of subsurface exploration. Engineering geologic characterization of soil and rock, including joint surveys and aspects of sedimented and residual soils. Laboratory on basic geologic identification and mapping techniques. Extensive reading of case histories. Field trip.  
H. H. Einstein

1.381 Rock Mechanics  
Prereq: 1.361 and 1.38  
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)  
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered  
3-0-9 units  
Introduces theoretical and experimental aspects of rock mechanics and prepares students for rock engineering. Includes review of laboratory and field testing; empirical and analytical methods for describing strength, deformability and conductivity of intact rock and rock masses; fracture mechanics and mechanics of discontinua, including flow through discontinua and hydraulic fracturing; and design and analysis of rock slopes and foundations on rock. Also discusses blasting design. Includes term paper/term project.  
H. H. Einstein

1.383 Underground Construction  
Prereq: 1.361, 1.38, or permission of instructor  
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered  
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)  
3-0-6 units  
Provides familiarization with the most important aspects of planning, analysis, design, and construction of underground structures in soil and rock. Covers detailed engineering analysis and design, and major aspects of construction techniques and construction planning. Discusses general planning and economic problems. Includes a major design project involving all aspects of underground construction.  
H. H. Einstein
1.39 Independent Study in Geotechnical Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
For graduate students desiring further individual study of topics in geotechnical engineering. 
Information: A. J. Whittle

Construction Engineering and Management

1.462[J] Entrepreneurship in Construction and Real Estate Development
Same subject as 11.345[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject 11.345[J]. 
J. F. Kennedy

1.472[J] Innovative Project Delivery in the Public and Private Sectors
Same subject as 11.344[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring; first half of term)
2-0-4 units
See description under subject 11.344[J].
C. M. Gordon

Materials and Structures

1.535 Mechanics of Materials
Subject meets with 1.035
Prereq: 1.050 or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-2-7 units
Introduces the structure and properties of natural and manufactured building materials, including rheology elasticity, fracture mechanics, viscoelasticity and plasticity. Emphasizes effects of molecular and nanoscopic structure, and interactions on macroscopic material behavior. Focuses on design of natural and structural materials. Discusses material aspects of sustainable development. Presents principles of experimental characterization techniques. Explores microscopic and macroscopic mechanical approaches to characterize structure and properties of materials. In laboratory and in-field sessions, students design and implement experimental approaches to characterize natural and building materials and study their interaction with the environment. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
F. J. Ulm

1.541 Mechanics and Design of Concrete Structures
Subject meets with 1.054
Prereq: 1.054
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Studies strength and deformation of concrete under various states of stress; failure criteria; concrete plasticity; and fracture mechanics concepts. Topics include fundamental behavior of reinforced concrete structural systems and their members; basis for design and code constraints; high-performance concrete materials and their use in innovative design solutions; and yield line theory for slabs. Uses behavior models and nonlinear analysis. Covers complex systems, including bridge structures, concrete shells, and containment.
O. Buyukozturk
1.545 Atomistic Modeling and Simulation of Materials and Structures
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
Covers multiscale atomistic modeling and simulation methods, with focus on mechanical properties (elasticity, plasticity, creep, fracture, fatigue) of a range of materials (metals, ceramics, proteins, biological materials, biomaterials). Topics include mechanics of materials (energy principles, nano-/micromechanics, deformation mechanisms, size effects, hierarchical biological structures) and atomistic modeling (chemistry, interatomic potentials, visualization, data analysis, numerical methods, supercomputing, algorithms). Includes an interactive computational project.
M. J. Buehler

1.562 Structural Design Project I
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Students work in teams to design a long-span structure, emphasizing conceptual design and advanced structural analysis. Subject covers structural systems and construction methods, interdisciplinary collaboration, design strategies for resistance to static and dynamic loading, and simplified calculation methods to validate numerical simulations. Emphasis on oral and visual communication of engineering concepts and students present their projects to leading engineers for feedback.
G. Herning

1.563 Structural Design Project II
Prereq: None
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Students work in teams to design a tall building, emphasizing the design of vertical load systems, lateral load systems, and floor systems. Uses studies of precedent buildings and metrics of structural performance including material efficiency and embodied carbon to evaluate multiple design concepts. Simplified calculation methods are validated with advanced numerical simulations. Formal presentations will be used to improve oral and visual communication.
J. Ochsendorf

1.564[J] Environmental Technologies in Buildings (New)
Same subject as 4.464[J]
Subject meets with 4.401
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-2-4 units
See description under subject 4.464[J].
C. Reinhart

1.57 Mechanics of Materials: An Energy Approach
Prereq: 1.050 or permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-2-7 units
An opportunity to update knowledge in continuum mechanics and constitutive behavior, and modeling of engineering materials based on thermodynamics of irreversible processes. Introduction to continuum mechanics and material modeling of engineering materials based on first energy principles: deformation and strain; momentum balance, stress, and stress states; elasticity and elasticity bounds; plasticity and yield design. Overarching theme is a unified mechanistic language using thermodynamics, which allows for understanding, modeling, and design of a broad range of engineering materials.
F. J. Ulm

1.570 Micromechanics and Durability of Solids
Prereq: (1.050 and 1.57) or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
Introduction to fracture mechanics, poromechanics and micromechanics using a unified mechanistic approach based on energy principles for modeling a large range of man-made and natural engineering material behavior. Energy release and fracture energy, stress intensity factors and toughness, saturated and partially saturated poromechanics of deformable porous materials, Darcy's law, linear micromechanics and application to porous materials, homogenization methods, chemomechanics of dissolution processes. In addition to assignments, emphasizes development of a consistent engineering science approach, culminating in a term paper.
F. J. Ulm
1.571 Modeling and Analysis of Structures
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
Covers analytical and computer-based methods for the analysis of structural systems. Introduces strategies for the quantitative study of indeterminate and nonlinear structures. Topics provide insight into structural analysis software and the implementation of the finite element method. Emphasizes modeling complex structural behavior, such as elastic instability, local and global buckling, physical nonlinearity, geometric stiffness, and thermal expansion. Application examples cover a range of structural components and systems, with models and methods specific to the study of building frames, arches, shells, and cable-supported and tensile structures. Assignments provide experience with the construction of mathematical and finite element models, the derivation of closed-form solutions, and the effective use of structural analysis programs.

Staff

1.573[J] Structural Mechanics
Same subject as 2.080[J]
Prereq: 2.002
G (Fall)
4-0-8 units
See description under subject 2.080[J].
T. Wierzbicki, D. Parks

1.574[J] Analysis of Historic Structures
Same subject as 4.445[J]
Subject meets with 4.444
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
3-0-6 units
See description under subject 4.445[J].
J. Ochsendorf

1.575[J] Computational Structural Design and Optimization
Same subject as 4.450[J]
Subject meets with 4.451
Prereq: (1.000 or (6.0001 and 6.0002)) and (1.050, 2.001, or 4.462)
or permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Units arranged
See description under subject 4.450[J]. Enrollment limited to 30.
Consult C. Mueller

1.579 Materials in Agriculture, Food Security, and Food Safety (New)
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Offers a unique perspective on the interplay between advanced materials, agriculture and food. Illustrates the impact that advanced materials-based innovation is imparting to four key areas of agriculture: management of plant diseases, mitigation of saline soil, enhancement of crop yield and productivity, and food safety and food security. Exposes students to engineering design concepts that are germane to biopolymer processing, functionalization and characterization, which will be coupled with hands-on activity in a lab setting. Students regenerate, process and functionalize biopolymers from raw to advanced materials, paving the way for the second part of the class, which centers around a proposed research project that aims at bringing materials-based innovation into agriculture.
B. Marelli

1.581[J] Structural Dynamics
Same subject as 2.060[J], 16.221[J]
Subject meets with 1.058
Prereq: 18.03 or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
3-1-8 units
Examines response of structures to dynamic excitation: free vibration, harmonic loads, pulses and earthquakes. Covers systems of single- and multiple-degree-of-freedom, up to the continuum limit, by exact and approximate methods. Includes applications to buildings, ships, aircraft and offshore structures. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
T. Cohen
1.582 Design of Steel Structures
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
Provides ability to design and assess steel structures. Steel structures are taught at three levels: the overall structural system (multi-story buildings, wide-span buildings, bridges, masts, and towers); the components of a structural system (floor systems, plate girders, frames, and beams); and the details of structural components (connection types, welding, and bolting). Each level includes a balance among theoretical analysis, design requirements, and construction/cost considerations. Existing structures are used as worked examples.
J. Ochsendorf, G. Herning

1.583 Topology Optimization of Structures (New)
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Covers free-form topology design of structures using formal optimization methods and mathematical programs, including design of structural systems, mechanisms, and material architectures. Strong emphasis on designing with gradient-based optimizers, finite element methods, and design problems governed by structural mechanics. Incorporates optimization theory and computational mechanics fundamentals, problem formulation, sensitivity analysis; and introduces cutting-edge extensions, including to other and multiple physics.
J. Carstensen

1.589 Studies in Structural Design and Analysis
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Individual study of advanced subjects under staff supervision. Content arranged to suit the particular requirements of the student and interested members of the staff.
Information: O. Buyukozturk

Hydrodynamics and Coastal Engineering

1.61 Transport Processes in the Environment
Subject meets with 1.061
Prereq: 1.060
G (Fall)
3-1-8 units
Credit cannot also be received for 1.061A
Introduces mass transport in environmental flows, with emphasis on river and lake systems. Covers derivation and solutions to the differential form of mass conservation equations. Topics include molecular and turbulent diffusion, boundary layers, dissolution, bed-water exchange, air-water exchange, and particle transport. Meets with 1.061A first half of term. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
H. M. Nepf

1.63[J] Advanced Fluid Dynamics
Same subject as 2.26[J]
Prereq: 18.085 and (2.25 or permission of instructor)
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
4-0-8 units
See description under subject 2.26[J].
T. R. Akylas, G. H. McKinley, R. Stocker

1.631[J] Fluids and Diseases
Same subject as 2.250[J], HST.537[J]
Subject meets with 1.063
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-3-6 units
Designed for students in engineering and the quantitative sciences who want to explore applications of mathematics, physics and fluid dynamics to infectious diseases and health; and for students in epidemiology, environmental health, ecology, medicine, and systems modeling seeking to understand physical and spatial modeling, and the role of fluid dynamics and physical constraints on infectious diseases and pathologies. The first part of the class reviews modeling in epidemiology and data collection, and highlights concepts of spatial modeling and heterogeneity. The remainder highlights multi-scale dynamics, the role of fluids and fluid dynamics in physiology, and pathology in a range of infectious diseases. The laboratory portion entails activities aimed at integrating applied learning with theoretical concepts discussed in lectures and covered in problem sets. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
L. Bourouiba
1.64 Physical Limnology
Subject meets with 1.064
Prereq: 1.061
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
Provides an introduction to physical processes occurring in lakes and shallow surface water systems with emphasis on mechanisms affecting fate and transport. Topics include internal waves, differential heating and cooling, boundary mixing, turbulent mixing, and influence of vegetation. Begins with a review of Navier-Stokes equation. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
H. M. Nepf

1.66 Problems in Water Resources and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Individual study in advanced topics as arranged between individual students and staff. Choice of subjects from theoretical, experimental, and practical phases of hydromechanics, hydraulic engineering, water resources, hydrology, and environmental engineering.
Staff

1.685[J] Nonlinear Dynamics and Waves
Same subject as 2.034[J], 18.377[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
See description under subject 2.034[J].
R. R. Rosales

1.686[J] Nonlinear Dynamics and Turbulence
Same subject as 2.033[J], 18.358[J]
Subject meets with 1.068
Prereq: 1.060A
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-2-7 units
Reviews theoretical notions of nonlinear dynamics, instabilities, and waves with applications in fluid dynamics. Discusses hydrodynamic instabilities leading to flow destabilization and transition to turbulence. Focuses on physical turbulence and mixing from homogeneous isotropic turbulence. Also covers topics such as rotating and stratified flows as they arise in the environment, wave-turbulence, and point source turbulent flows. Laboratory activities integrate theoretical concepts covered in lectures and problem sets. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
L. Bourouiba

1.69 Introduction to Coastal Engineering
Prereq: 1.061
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
4-0-8 units
Basic dynamics of ocean surface waves; wave-driven, wind-driven, and tidal currents; boundary layers and sediment transport; and selected engineering applications. Formulation of the boundary-value problem for surface waves, linear plane-wave solution, shoaling, refraction, diffraction, statistical representation, and elements of nonlinearity. Depth-averaged formulation and selected solutions for sea level and currents driven by waves, winds, and tides. Elements of boundary layers, initial sediment motion, and bedload and suspended sediment transport. Alongshore sediment transport and shoreline change. Emphasizes basic principles, mathematical formulation and solution, and physical interpretation, with selected applications and exposure to current research.
J. Trowbridge

1.692[J] Seakeeping of Ships and Offshore Energy Systems
Same subject as 2.24[J]
Prereq: 2.20 and 18.085
G (Spring)
4-0-8 units
See description under subject 2.24[J].
P. D. Sclavounos
1.699[J] Projects in Oceanographic Engineering
Same subject as 2.689[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
See description under subject 2.689[J].
J. Preisig, Woods Hole Sta

Hydrology and Water Resource Systems

1.713[J] Land-Atmosphere Interactions
Same subject as 12.834[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
2-0-4 units
Topics include the exchange of mass, heat and momentum between the soil, vegetation or water surface and the overlying atmosphere; flux and transport in the turbulent boundary layer; and coupled balance of moisture and energy.
D. Entekhabi

1.714 Surface Hydrology
Prereq: 1.070B[J] or permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Covers observations and theory of the physical processes involved in the hydrologic cycle. Processes considered are rainfall, infiltration, runoff generation, stream flow, evaporation, transpiration, and rainfall interception.
E. A. B. Eltahir

1.72 Groundwater Hydrology
Subject meets with 1.072
Prereq: 1.061
G (Spring)
3-1-8 units
Presents the fundamentals of subsurface flow and transport, emphasizing the role of groundwater in the hydrologic cycle, the relation of groundwater flow to geologic structure, and the management of contaminated groundwater. Topics include Darcy equation, flow nets, mass conservation, the aquifer flow equation, heterogeneity and anisotropy, storage properties, regional circulation, unsaturated flow, recharge, stream-aquifer interaction, well hydraulics, flow through fractured rock, numerical models, groundwater quality, contaminant transport processes, dispersion, decay, and adsorption. Includes laboratory and computer demonstrations. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
C. Harvey

1.721 Advanced Subsurface Hydrology
Prereq: 1.72, 18.075, and permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units
C. Harvey

1.723 Computational Methods for Flow in Porous Media
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Fall)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3-0-9 units
R. Juanes
1.727 Surface Water Ecosystems: Biogeochemistry and Chemical Transport
Prereq: (Chemistry (GIR), 1.018[J], and 1.060) or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-1-8 units
Addresses the nature of lakes, wetlands, and related natural waters, with a focus on their ecology and cycling of nutrients and pollutants. Topics include the hydrology of surface water systems, the nature of aquatic plant and animal communities, the carbon and nitrogen cycles, the behavior and fate of toxic metals and anthropogenic organic compounds in natural waters, and linkages between lakes and the atmosphere, groundwater, and soil. Discusses practical topics in lake and river management. Students participate in field trips to broaden their understanding of these topics.
H. Hemond

1.731 Water Resource Systems
Subject meets with 1.075
Prereq: 1.070B[J] or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Surveys optimization and simulation methods for management of water resources. Case studies illustrate linear, quadratic, nonlinear programming and real-time control. Applications include river basin planning, irrigation and agriculture, reservoir operations, capacity expansion, assimilation of remote sensing data, and sustainable resource development. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
D. McLaughlin

1.74 Land, Water, Food, and Climate
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3-0-6 units
Reading seminar examines land, water, food, and climate in a changing world, with an emphasis on key scientific questions about the connections between natural resources and food production. Students read and discuss papers on a range of topics, including water and land resources, climate change, demography, agroecology, biotechnology, trade, and food security. Supporting information used for background and context includes data and analysis based on government reports, textbooks, and longer peer reviewed documents not included in the readings. Provides a broad perspective on one of the defining global issues of this century. Students consider scientific controversies as well as areas of general agreement and evaluate proposed options for addressing critical food security problems.
D. McLaughlin

Aquatic Sciences, Water Quality Control, and Environmental Management

1.76 Aquatic Chemistry
Prereq: Chemistry (GIR) or 5.60
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
3-0-9 units
Quantitative treatment of chemical processes in aquatic systems such as lakes, oceans, rivers, estuaries, groundwaters, and wastewaters. A brief review of chemical thermodynamics is followed by discussion of acid-base, precipitation-dissolution, coordination, and reduction-oxidation reactions. Emphasis is on equilibrium calculations as a tool for understanding the variables that govern the chemical composition of aquatic systems and the fate of inorganic pollutants.
J. Seewald

1.78 Introduction to Soil Science
Subject meets with 1.078
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-1-8 units
Presents the physical, chemical, biological and genetic properties of soils, their global distribution, and response to management. Emphasizes factors controlling soil development, plant productivity, and the fate, cycling and bioavailability of soil nutrients and pollutants. Introduces Earth’s different soil types and their classification; links characteristics with contemporary and historic issues surrounding natural and managed soil systems. Topics include soil carbon cycling, water and fertilizer management, and challenges associated with soil salinity-sodicity, erosion, and pollution. Includes field trips to local sites to examine soil physical properties, classification, and function. Introductory biology and chemistry are recommended prerequisites. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
B. Kocar
1.79 Rock-on-a-Chip: Microfluidic Technology for Visualization of Flow in Porous Media
Subject meets with 1.079
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-2-8 units

Introduces an innovative approach that uses 3D printing and microfluidic technology to characterize and visualize flow in porous media like soils and rocks. Covers single-phase flow and transport (laser fluorescence, particle image velocimetry), capillarity and wettability, multiphase flow, fracturing of granular media. In lab, students work in groups to unravel the physics and chemistry of flow in porous media, with applications to energy and environmental processes, such as groundwater resources, energy recovery, and carbon sequestration. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.

R. Juanes

1.801[J] Environmental Law, Policy, and Economics: Pollution Prevention and Control
Same subject as 11.021[J], 17.393[J], IDS.060[J]
Subject meets with 1.814[J], 11.630[J], 15.663[J], IDS.540[J]
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-0-9 units. HASS-S

See description under subject IDS.060[J].

N. Ashford, C. Caldart

1.802[J] Regulation of Chemicals, Radiation, and Biotechnology
Same subject as 11.022[J], IDS.061[J]
Subject meets with 1.812[J], 10.805[J], 11.631[J], IDS.436[J], IDS.541[J]
Prereq: IDS.060[J] or permission of instructor
U (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units

See description under subject IDS.061[J].

N. Ashford, C. Caldart

1.811[J] Environmental Law, Policy, and Economics: Pollution Prevention and Control
Same subject as 11.630[J], 15.663[J], IDS.540[J]
Subject meets with 1.801[J], 11.021[J], 17.393[J], IDS.060[J]
Prereq: None
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units

See description under subject IDS.540[J].

N. Ashford, C. Caldart

1.812[J] Regulation of Chemicals, Radiation, and Biotechnology
Same subject as 11.631[J], IDS.541[J]
Subject meets with 1.802[J], 10.805[J], 11.022[J], IDS.061[J], IDS.436[J]
Prereq: IDS.540[J] or permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3-0-9 units

See description under subject IDS.541[J].

N. Ashford, C. Caldart

1.813[J] Technology, Globalization, and Sustainable Development
Same subject as 11.466[J], 15.657[J], IDS.437[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
3-0-9 units

See description under subject IDS.437[J].

N. Ashford

1.818[J] Sustainable Energy
Same subject as 2.65[J], 10.391[J], 11.371[J], 22.811[J]
Subject meets with 2.650[J], 10.291[J], 22.081[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
3-1-8 units

See description under subject 22.811[J].

M. W. Golay

1.83 Environmental Organic Chemistry
Subject meets with 1.831
Prereq: 5.60 and 18.03
G (Fall)
4-0-8 units

Focuses on the processes affecting organic compounds in the environment. Uses physical chemical properties to predict chemical transfers between environmental compartments (air, water, sediments, and biota). Uses molecular structure-reactivity relationships to estimate chemical, photochemical, and biochemical transformation rates. Resulting process models are combined to predict environmental concentrations (and related biological exposures) of anthropogenic and natural organic compounds.

P. M. Gschwend
1.831 Environmental Organic Chemistry
Subject meets with 1.83
Prereq: 5.60 and 18.03
G (Fall)
4.0-8 units
Focuses on the processes affecting organic compounds in the environment. Uses physical chemical properties to predict chemical transfers between environmental compartments (air, water, sediments, and biota). Uses molecular properties to estimate chemical, photochemical, and biochemical transformation rates. Resulting process models are combined to predict environmental concentrations (and related biological exposures) of anthropogenic and natural organic compounds.

P. M. Gschwend

1.837 Resilience of Living Systems to Environmental Change (New)
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: G (Spring)
Acad Year 2021-2022: Not offered
3.0-9 units
Takes a multi-scale approach to understanding responses of living systems to perturbation. Mechanisms of stress sensing and response in plants, microbes, and animals from the level of individual cells to whole organisms. Emergent properties of organismal stress and population and community scale. Resilience of ecosystems and biogeochemical cycles to altered environmental conditions. Considers both natural and managed systems, focusing primarily on the terrestrial environment.

D. Des Marais

1.841[J] Atmospheric Composition in the Changing Earth System
Same subject as 12.817[J]
Prereq: 1.84[J]
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3.0-9 units
Explores how atmospheric chemical composition both drives and responds to climate, with a particular focus on feedbacks via the biosphere. Topics include atmospheric nitrogen; DMS, sulfate, and CLAW; biogenic volatile organic compounds and secondary organic aerosol; wildfires and land use change; atmospheric methane and the oxidative capacity of the troposphere; and air quality and climate and geoengineering.

C. Heald

1.842[J] Aerosol and Cloud Microphysics and Chemistry
Same subject as 12.814[J]
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
3.0-9 units
See description under subject 12.814[J].

D. Cziczo

1.850[J] Dimensions of Geoengineering (New)
Same subject as 5.000[J], 10.600[J], 11.388[J], 12.884[J], 15.036[J], 16.645[J]
Prereq: None
G (Fall; first half of term)
2.0-4 units
See description under subject 5.000[J]. Limited to 100.

J. Deutch, M. Zuber

1.86[J] Methods and Problems in Microbiology
Same subject as 7.492[J], 20.445[J]
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
3.0-9 units
See description under subject 7.492[J]. Preference to first-year Microbiology and Biology students.

M. Laub
1.87[J] Microbial Genetics and Evolution
Same subject as 7.493[J], 12.493[J], 20.446[J]
Prereq: 7.03, 7.05, or permission of instructor
G (Fall)
4-0-8 units
See description under subject 7.493[J].
A. D. Grossman, O. Cordero

1.871 Computational Ecology
Prereq: None
G (IAP)
Not offered regularly; consult department
2-0-7 units
Project-based class that provides practical experience in the analysis of community and population dynamics data. Emphasizes computational tools central to modern microbial ecology, such as agent-based simulations, and methods to infer ecological interactions and analyze ecological successions.
O. Cordero

1.873 Ecological Dynamics and Modeling
Prereq: Calculus II (GIR)
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Centers on mathematical tools linking external perturbations with the structure and persistence of ecological communities - the ensemble of co-occurring and interacting species. Focuses on unstructured populations ranging from single, to pairs, to multiple species. Covers population dynamics, species interactions, stability, feasibility, species coexistence, and perturbations. Lectures address phenomenological and mechanistic understanding through graphical, analytical and numerical analysis.
S. Saavedra

1.881[J] Genomics and Evolution of Infectious Disease
Same subject as HST.538[J]
Subject meets with 1.088
Prereq: Biology (GIR) and (1.000 or 6.0002)
G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Provides a thorough introduction to the forces driving infectious disease evolution, practical experience with bioinformatics and computational tools, and discussions of current topics relevant to public health. Topics include mechanisms of genome variation in bacteria and viruses, population genetics, outbreak detection and tracking, strategies to impede the evolution of drug resistance, emergence of new disease, and microorganisms and metagenomics. Discusses primary literature and computational assignments. Students taking graduate version complete additional assignments.
T. Lieberman

1.89 Earth's Microbiomes
Subject meets with 1.089
Prereq: Biology (GIR)
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Spring)
3-0-9 units
Provides a general introduction to the diverse roles of microorganisms in natural and artificial environments. Topics include energetics, and growth; evolution and gene flow; population and community dynamics; water and soil microbiology; biogeochemical cycling; and microorganisms in biodeterioration and bioremediation. 7.014 recommended as prerequisite; students taking graduate version complete additional assignments. Meets with 1.089A first half of term.
M. Polz, O. Cordero

1.899 Career Reengineering Program and Professional Development Workshops
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring)
1-0-0 units
For students in the 10-month Career Reengineering Program sponsored by the School of Engineering. Limited to CRP fellows.
Staff
Special Studies

1.95[J] Teaching College-Level Science and Engineering
Same subject as 5.95[J], 7.59[J], 8.395[J], 18.094[J]
Subject meets with 2.978
Prereq: None
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: G (Fall)
2-0-2 units
See description under subject 5.95[J].
J. Rankin

1.968 Graduate Studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Individual study, research, or laboratory investigations at the
graduate level under faculty supervision.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.976 Graduate Professional Development Seminar (New)
Prereq: None
G (Fall)
2-0-4 units
Covers professional development topics and provides hands-on
practice of these skills. Students participate in a series of written
and oral communication workshops. Other topics include networking
skills, work-life balance, mentoring, and career planning. Features
an alumni panel showcasing a range of post-PhD careers. Limited to
second-year graduate students in CEE.
H. Nepf

1.977 Research Mentorship in Civil and Environmental
Engineering
Prereq: None
G (IAP)
0-3-0 units
Graduate students mentor an undergraduate student in research
for 30 hours per week during the Independent Activities Period
(IAP) to help create a self-contained project. Students introduce the
project through selected readings and meetings that clearly explain
how the undergraduate project fits within the scope of the larger
work/research of the graduate student, meet regularly to discuss
progress on the project, provide guidance in the creation of a poster
presentation that the undergraduate will deliver at the end of IAP,
and attend and provide written feedback on the presentations of all
mini-UROP participants.
Information: CEE Academic Programs Office

1.982 Research in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
G (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
For research assistants in the department, when assigned research
is not used for thesis but is approved for academic credit. Credit for
this subject may not be used for any degree granted by Course 1.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.984 Teaching Experience in Civil and Environmental
Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring)
0-3-0 units
Can be repeated for credit.
Provides classroom teaching experience under the supervision of
faculty member(s). Students prepare instructional material, deliver
lectures, grade assignments, and prepare a teaching portfolio to
be submitted at the end of term. Students must send the subject
title and the name of the lead instructor for the subject to the
1.984 instructor during or prior to the first week of the semester.
Enrollment limited by availability of suitable teaching assignments.
Information: C. Heald

1.997 Practicum Training in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
G (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
For graduate CEE students participating in curriculum-related, off-
campus experiences in civil, environmental, and transportation
engineering or related areas. Before enrolling, students must verify
the internship arrangements by submitting a memo or email from the
sponsoring company or organization and also from their Academic
Advisor. At the conclusion of the training, the students will submit
a final report for review and approval by their Academic Advisor.
Can be taken for up to 3 units. Prior to enrolling, contact the CEE
Academic Programs Office for procedures and restrictions.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office
1.998 Practicum Training in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
U (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.

For undergraduate CEE students participating in curriculum-related off-campus experiences in civil and environmental engineering or related areas. Before enrolling, students must have an offer from a company or organization and must have prior approval from their CEE academic advisor. At the conclusion of the training, the students will submit a final report for review and approval by their Academic Advisor. Can be taken for up to 3 units. Prior to enrolling, contact the CEE Academic Programs Office for procedures and restrictions.

Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.999 Undergraduate Studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
U (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.

Individual study, research, or laboratory investigations under faculty supervision.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.EPE UPOP Engineering Practice Experience
Engineering School-Wide Elective Subject.
Offered under: 1.EPE, 2.EPE, 3.EPE, 6.EPE, 8.EPE, 10.EPE, 15.EPE, 16.EPE, 20.EPE, 22.EPE
Prereq: 2.EPW or permission of instructor
U (Fall, Spring)
0-0-1 units

See description under subject 2.EPE.
Staff

1.EPW UPOP Engineering Practice Workshop
Engineering School-Wide Elective Subject.
Offered under: 1.EPW, 2.EPW, 3.EPW, 6.EPW, 10.EPW, 16.EPW, 20.EPW, 22.EPW
Prereq: None
U (Fall, IAP)
1-0-0 units

See description under subject 2.EPW. Enrollment limited.
Staff

1.THG Graduate Thesis
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.

Program of research leading to the writing of an SM, MEng, CE, PhD, or ScD thesis; to be arranged by the student and an appropriate MIT faculty member.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.THU Undergraduate Thesis
Prereq: Permission of instructor
U (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.

Program of research leading to the writing of an S.B. thesis; to be arranged by the student and an appropriate MIT faculty member. Intended for seniors. Student must submit an approved thesis proposal to the Academic Programs Office by the fifth week of the first term the student is registered for thesis.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.UR Research in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
U (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.

Individual research or laboratory study under faculty supervision. Also opportunities in ongoing research program. Limited number of funded traineeships available.
Information: Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.URG Research in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: None
U (Fall, IAP, Spring, Summer)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.

Individual research or laboratory study under faculty supervision. Also opportunities in ongoing research program.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office
1.502 Special Subject: Materials Sustainability for the Built Environment (New)
Prereq: None
U (Spring)
3-3-6 units. Institute LAB
Focuses on general concepts and tools in materials sustainability for the built environment, with a project component. Covers a wide range of topics that include modern and ancient materials used in construction, materials selection and efficiency, materials characterization, durability and deterioration, carbon footprint and life cycle assessment. Students work in groups to select a material to examine in depth and propose an application for the material within the scope of modern civil and environmental engineering design, assessing its performance relative to alternative or existing materials or techniques. Students present a report of the initial investigation, design and analysis process, and results. Each group submits a technical paper, which fits the requirements and format of a major journal publication. Provides instruction and practice in oral and written communication. Licensed for Spring 2021 by the Committee on Curricula.
A. Masic

1.582 Special Problems in Environmental Microbiology and Chemistry
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring)
Not offered regularly; consult department
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
Advanced study of topics not covered in the regular subject listings, particularly seminar, laboratory, and experimental subjects offered by permanent or visiting faculty. Addresses topics in environmental microbiology, ecological genomics, microbial evolution and population genetics, oceanography, biogeochemical processes, environmental organic chemistry and aquatic chemistry.
S. W. Chisholm, M. F. Polz, E. J. Alm, P. M. Gschwend, H. F. Hemond

1.5977 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.5978 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum. 1.978 is taught P/D/F.
Department Academic Programs Office

1.5979 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.5980 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, Spring; second half of term)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Department Academic Programs Office

1.5981 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Spring; second half of term)
Units arranged
Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Department Academic Programs Office
1.S982 Special Graduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
G (Fall, IAP, Spring; second half of term)
Not offered regularly; consult department
Units arranged

Graduate subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult G. Herning

1.S991 Special Undergraduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
U (Fall, IAP, Spring)
Units arranged [P/D/F]
Can be repeated for credit.
Subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.S992 Special Undergraduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
Acad Year 2020-2021: Not offered
Acad Year 2021-2022: U (Fall, IAP, Spring)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office

1.S993 Special Undergraduate Subject in Civil and Environmental Engineering
Prereq: Permission of instructor
U (Spring; second half of term)
Units arranged
Can be repeated for credit.
Subjects taught experimentally; subjects offered by visiting faculty; and seminars on topics of current interest not included in the regular curriculum.
Consult Department Academic Programs Office