Module Code | MEU11E12
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Module Name | Engineering Materials and Their Applications
ECTS Weighting | 10 ECTS
Semester taught | Semester 1
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| David Igoe
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**Module Learning Outcomes with reference to the Graduate Attributes and how they are developed in discipline**

Upon completion of this module, students will be able to:

- **LO1.** Describe the fundamentals of material behaviour.
- **LO2.** List the major types of materials and explain how their properties can be determined and exploited.
- **LO3.** Design and carry out experiments to measure material properties.
- **LO4.** Manufacture and use a data logging device
- **LO5.** Work in a team to design, make and test a new material/structure.

**Graduate Attributes: levels of attainment**

To act responsibly - Introduced
To think independently - Introduced
To develop continuously - Introduced
To communicate effectively - Introduced
### Module Content

- Mechanical properties including strength, stiffness, ductility, toughness, creep, fatigue, shrinkage and thermal movement.
- Atomic structure, microstructure and phase diagrams.
- Measurement of material properties.
- Fabrication of materials (structural, mechanical, electrical).
- Introduction to concrete technology, reinforced and prestressed concrete.
- Introduction to semiconductor technology.
- Transducers (strain gauges, thermocouples, displacement sensors, pressure transducers, Hall sensors).
- Design, manufacture and testing of new materials, structures and devices (structural, mechanical, electronic).

### Teaching and Learning Methods

The module will be divided proportionately into three sections to be delivered by the Civil, Mechanical and Electronic disciplines within the School of Engineering. There will be a taught component of the course involving three podium lectures and a tutorial session each week, and which will be examined at the end of the semester.

A similar division will apply to the practical work. Students will work in teams to design, make and test their own novel sustainable material/structure and associated sensors. This will involve one briefing session and up to a 2-hour laboratory each week for each student. The work will be group-based and project oriented and will involve defined experiments as well as design, construction and testing work on a multi-disciplinary novel sustainable element as a final goal.
### Assessment Details

**Please include the following:**

- **Assessment Component**
- **Assessment description**
- **Learning Outcome(s) addressed**
- **% of total**
- **Assessment due date**

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**Reassessment Requirements**

Reassessment will be by examination only. Students must pass the examination element of the module and pass overall to avoid the possibility of reassessment.

Contact hours: 66 per student

- **Independent Study (preparation for course and review of materials):** 60
- **Independent Study (preparation for assessment, incl. completion of assessment):** 50

**Recommended Reading List**

- *Engineering Materials*, Ashby and Jones
- *The New Science of Strong Materials: Or Why You Don’t Fall Through the Floor*, J.E. Gordon
- *Introduction to Engineering Materials*, VB John
- *Concrete Practice*, BCA, provided free-of-charge by Irish Cement Ltd.

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