

Module Code	MEU33B05
Module Name	Mechanics of Machines
ECTS Weighting	5 ECTS
Semester taught	Semester 2
Module Coordinator/s	Professor Ciaran Simms
Module Learning Outcomes with reference to the Graduate Attributes and how they are developed in discipline	<p>On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</p> <p>LO1. Apply the principles of mechanics and 2D vector analysis to real machine configurations and human body motion.</p> <p>LO2. Analyse common elements in machine design and human motion.</p> <p>LO3. Apply and develop computer programmes to study kinematics and dynamics of linkages and machines.</p> <p>LO4. Understand how to account for the effects of friction and balancing requirements in common machine components.</p> <p>Graduate Attributes: levels of attainment</p> <p>To act responsibly - Enhanced</p> <p>To think independently - Enhanced</p> <p>To develop continuously - Enhanced</p> <p>To communicate effectively - Enhanced</p>
Module Content	<p>This module addresses the theory and application of mechanics to machine configurations. This includes engines, whole body human and vehicle motion, linkages and friction devices. Together with the accompanying Mechanics of Solids module, the analysis provides the link between component motion and the resulting internal stresses due to inertia and contact forces. Modelling and computing skills are developed together with the use of vector and matrix algebra in the analysis of rigid body problems.</p> <p>This module completes the essential requirements of an Engineer in the machine dynamics area and prepares students for project work focused on mechanics of linkages and machines and also human movement. This subject also provides a good basis for the study of multibody dynamics, robotics and biomechanics. It builds on earlier introductory modules in mechanics, mathematics and programming.</p>

Teaching and Learning Methods

This module uses Blackboard, in person lectures, self-directed assignments and tutorials to help students achieve the required learning outcomes.

Assessment Details

Please include the following:

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

Assessment Component	Assessment Description	LO Addressed	% of total	Week due (provisional)
Written examination	End of semester examination	1-4	80	Exam period
Assignments	Software based assignments	1-3	20	Staggered in Weeks 2-8

Reassessment Requirements

Written Examination

Contact Hours and Indicative Student Workload

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Contact hours: 44 (33 Lectures, 11 tutorials)
Independent Study (preparation for course and review of materials): 30
Independent Study (preparation for assessment, incl. completion of assessment): 46

Recommended Reading List

- Kinematics and Dynamics of Machines, CE Wilson and J.P. Sadler (Pearson Prentice Hall)
- Dynamics , JL Meriam (Wiley)

Module Pre-requisite

MEU11E07 Mechanics

Module Co-requisite

NA

Module Website

Are other Schools/Departments involved in the delivery of this module? If yes, please provide details.

No

Module Approval Date
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Academic Start Year
Academic Year of Date