Module Code MEU11E08

Module Name Introduction to Professional Engineering

ECTS Weighting 5 ECTS

Semester taught Semester 1

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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 should be able to:

- LO1. Contextualise the wider role of the professional engineer in society;
- LO2. Articulate the ethical, economic, social, regulatory and political issues that also arise in the context of a technical project;
- LO3. Organise a team project by defining team roles and planning a set of tasks and actions;
- LO4. Explain the different roles involved in the management of a team project as well as checking progress and monitoring results;
- LO5. Self-structure a work programme around a set of open ended questions;
- LO6. Apply structured design processes to achieve design outcomes
- LO7. Provide evidence for ideas, concepts and suggestions;
- LO8. Communicate effectively in written and verbal formats.

Graduate Attributes: levels of attainment

To act responsibly - Introduced
To think independently - Introduced

To develop continuously - Introduced

To communicate effectively - Introduced

Module Content

The module involves 24 lectures, 6 each from: Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering; Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering; Computer Science and; Electronic and Electrical Engineering over the first six weeks. This is followed by 20 hours of structured tutorials focused on project work.

- Introduction to engineering
- Environmental issues in engineering
- Engineering ethics
- Engineering forensics
- Physical and cyber sustainability
- Group interaction and team collaboration
- Design processes and outcomes
- Survey design and trend identification
- Report writing

Teaching and Learning Methods

This module is taught using traditional lectures for the first six weeks. In the last five weeks, students work in groups to self-structure their agendas and workloads with appropriate supervision from lecturers and demonstrators in tutorial sessions.

| Assessment Details Please include the following: | Assessment Component | Assessment Description | LO Addressed | % of total | Week due |
|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Oral presentation | Oral presentation of the group project (each individual has to present a section). | 2,8 | 20 | Wk 11 |
| | Written report | Written report of the group project (~ 5000 words) | 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 | 80 | Wk 12 |
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Reassessment Requirements

Submission of 5000 word individual report on new subject (defined by Module Coordinators)

Contact Hours and Indicative Student Workload³

Contact hours: 44

Independent Study (preparation for course and review of materials): 20

Independent Study (preparation for assessment, incl. completion of assessment): 40

Recommended Reading List

Module Pre-requisite None

Module Co-requisite Not applicable

Module Website https://www.tcd.ie/Engineering/undergraduate/baiyear1/modules/1E8.pdf

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

Yes, Computer Science

Module Approval Date

Approved by

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