SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY SAULT STE. MARIE, ON

COURSE OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION TO SITE REMEDIATION

CODE NO.: ENV 330-4 SEMESTER: VI

PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

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DATE: FEBRUARY 1997 PREVIOUS OUTLINE DATED: NEW

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TOTAL CREDITS:

PREREQUISITE(S): NONE

LENGTH OF COURSE: 16 WEEKS TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 64 HOURS

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- I. COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course introduces guidelines and techniques for the decommissioning of industrial sites in a safe manner and in compliance with regulations. Methods for treating and monitoring contaminated soils and groundwater will be discussed. Field sampling and laboratory analysis methods are introduced.
- II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE: (Generic Skills Learning Outcomes placement on the course outline will be determined and communicated at a later date.)

Upon successful completion of this course the student will demonstrate the ability to:

1) Discuss the National Guidelines for Decommissioning Industrial Sites.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- --- identify relevant Federal and Provincial Legislation
- --- describe the stages of decommissioning planning
- --- describe the phased approach to site decommissioning
- --- discuss the development of cleanup criteria
- Describe the National Classification System for Contaminated Sites

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- --- describe the basic elements of the National Classification System
- --- identify the minimum data requirements to classify a site
- --- describe the elements of a facility/site description
- 3) Discuss Health and Safety Procedures for Contaminated Sites

Potential Elements of the Performance:

--- describe special precautions which must be taken for the protection of workers, the public, and the environment

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE (Continued)

4) Describe the Movement of Groundwater and Contaminant Flow

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- --- describe unconfined and confined aquifers
- --- describe the basics of groundwater hydraulics, hydraulics of wells, and the determination of piezometric head distribution
- --- describe the sources of groundwater contamination and transport processes
- 5) Describe Remediation Techniques for Cleaning Contaminated Soils and Groundwater

Potential Elements of the Performance:

--- describe methods of soil treatment, including:

low temperature thermal desorption; bioremediation; vapour extraction; solvent extraction; soil washing; soil flushing; chemical fixation/stabilization

--- describe methods of in-situ and "pump and treat" groundwater treatment, including:

air sparging; steam sparging; air stripping; carbon adsorption; biological treatment; uv/ozone/hydrogen peroxide oxidation

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6) Describe the Basic Considerations in Sampling Contaminated Sites and Analyzing the Samples

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- --- describe methods of sampling soils, sediments, surface water and groundwater
- --- describe methods of preserving and storing samples
- --- describe techniques of evaluating data

III. TOPICS:

- 1) National Guidelines for Decommissioning Industrial Sites
- 2) National Classification System for Contaminated Sites
- 3) Health & Safety Procedures for Contaminated Sites
- 4) Groundwater & Contaminant Flow
- 5) Remediation Techniques
- 6) Research Techniques
- 7) Case Studies

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

There is no text prescribed for this course. The instructor will give handouts as needed, to supplement material presented in class.

V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM

The final course grade will be based on the aggregate score of a series of tests to be held throughout the semester. Dates for all tests will be announced approximately one week in advance and attendance at all tests is mandatory.

A+ 90 - 100%

B 70 - 79%

R Below 60%

A 80 - 89%

C 60 - 69%

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VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

- Special Needs If you are a student with special needs (eg. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with the instructor and/or contact the Special Needs Office, Room E1204, Ext. 493, 717, 491 so that support services can be arranged for you.
- Retention of Course Outlines
 It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other post-secondary institutions.
- Your instructor reserves the right to modify the course as he/she deems necessary to meet the needs of students.
- Substitute Course Information is available at the Registrar's Office.

VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the instructor.