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SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

SAULT STE. MARIE, ON.

COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: Applied Mechanics

COURSE CODE: MCH 100

PROGRAM: Architectural Technology

SEMESTER: I

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PREVIOUSLY DATED:

APPROVED:

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TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	64
PREREQUISITES	NONE

I. PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS

This course will introduce the student to the fundamentals of mechanics, and statics in particular. Practical applications of these concepts will be examined, providing basic understanding of force analysis of structures.

II. STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Solve problems using trigonometric functions.
 2. Solve problems involving the manipulation of force vectors, resultant of a force, and moment of a force.
 3. Solve problems involving centroid and centre of gravity of simple areas, built-up sections, and two dimensional figures.
 4. Solve problems using free body diagrams and the equations of equilibrium.
 5. Analyze trusses by using the graphical method, evaluation of joints and isolation of sections.
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III. TOPICS TO BE COVERED

1. Mathematics of Mechanics
2. Force Systems
3. Centre of Gravity
4. Equilibrium
5. Force Analysis of Structures.

IV. LEARNING ACTIVITIES**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Introduction of course outline, objectives, method of evaluation and attendance requirements.

1.2 Define statics and dynamics.

1.3 Identify and describe properties of right triangles.

1.4 Understand and apply trigonometric functions in problem solving.

1.5 Understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem and the Cosine Law.

1.6 Understand and apply principles of unit conversion using imperial and SI units.

2.0 FORCE SYSTEMS

2.1 Discuss the concept of forces.

2.2 Understand scalar and vector quantities.

2.3 Add and subtract vectors.

2.4 Calculate the resultant of a force system.

2.5 Examine the components of a force.

2.6 Understand and apply the concept of moments and couples.

REQUIRED RESOURCES

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 1

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 2

2.7. Examine and calculate beam reactions.

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 2

3.0 CENTRE OF GRAVITY

3.1 Define and determine the centre of gravity of areas and objects.

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 3

3.2 Define centroid and distinguish from centre of gravity.

3.3 Solve problems using graphic and mathematical methods involving centre of gravity and centroids.

4.0 EQUILIBRIUM OF 2-D SYSTEMS

4.1 Understand and solve problems involving collinear force systems.

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 4

4.2 Understand and solve problems involving concurrent force systems.

4.3 Understand and solve problems involving parallel force systems.

5.0 FORCE ANALYSIS OF STRUCTURES

5.1 Understand the function and applications of simple trusses.

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 5

5.2 Understand the concept of tension and compression in truss members.

5.3 Understand the concept of no load members.

5.4 Conduct analysis and solve problems involving trusses.

Introduction to Mechanics
Chapter 5

5.5 Understand and solve problems involving simple frames.

V. METHOD OF EVALUATION

Students will be assigned a final grade based on successful completion of tests and problem assignments, weighted as follows:

Problem Set Assignments	40%
Tests (3)	<u>60%</u>
TOTAL	100%

Late assignments will be penalized 10% for each day late. Due to the nature of the subject matter, marks will be discounted for work that is not legible and neat.

A final letter grade will be assigned as follows:

A+	90-100%
A	80-89%
B	70-79%
C	55-69%
R	Repeat

VI. REQUIRED STUDENT RESOURCES

Introduction to Mechanics
Levinson
Second Edition
Prentice-Hall

VII. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND MATERIALS

Refer to additional texts in the library. Students may wish to consult with the instructor for additional material.

VIII. SPECIAL NOTES

1. Students with special needs are encouraged to discuss required accommodations in confidence with the instructor.
2. The instructor reserves the right to modify the course and course outline as deemed necessary to meet the needs of the students.
3. At the conclusion of the semester, students with total grades less than 55% will be given a rewrite examination at the discretion of the instructor. The decision to allow a rewrite will be based on attendance, participation and overall performance.
4. In the event a rewrite occurs, it will be granted only once and will cover all course material. The maximum course grade attainable through a rewrite is C.
5. Attendance is mandatory for success in this course. Absence from lectures without reasonable cause will not be tolerated.