# MEC 456/556 - Introduction to Engineering Mechanics of Composites

Fall Semester 2017

**Credit**: 3 credits

Prerequisite: MEC 363 or equivalent course

**Lectures**: Thur 4:00 – 6:50PM at Staller Center 2314

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# **Text/Primary Reference Book:**

 Engineering Mechanics of Composite Materials, Isaac M. Daniel & Ori Ishai. Oxford Press

#### Other Related Books:

- □ Autar K. Kaw, "Mechanics of Composite Materials," 2nd ed., Taylor and Francis
- □ Carl T. Herakovich, "Mechanics of Fibrous Composites," Wiley.
- □ Michael W. Hyer, "Stress Analysis of Fiber-Reinforced Composite Materials," McGraw-Hill.
- □ Robert M. Jone, "Mechanics of Composite Materials," Taylor and Francis.

**Homework**: Homework and/or computer assignments are given about every two weeks.

**Grading**: Homework 30%

One Mid-Term Test (mid-late October) 30% Final Exam (December 18, 2:15-4:45pm) 40%

### **Course Description:**

Introduction to the engineering mechanics of fiber reinforced composites. Brief history of the development of fiber composites, their properties, advantages, limitations and applications. Overview of the different types of composites but with focus on long fiber reinforced composites; particularly, lamina and laminate concepts characteristics and configurations. Topics covered include: elastic properties of unidirectional lamina, strength of unidirectional lamina, elastic behavior of multidirectional laminates and stress and failure of multidirectional laminates. Design methodologies and considerations for structural composite materials.

# **Course Learning Objectives:**

- 1. Become familiar with the advantages and limitation of fiber composites in comparison with conventional structural materials
- 2. Ability of using stress-strain linear elastic constitutive relations in structural analysis, including Isotropic, Anisotropic, Orthotropic and transverse isotropic relations
- 3. Knowledge of coordinate transformation of stress, strain, stiffness and compliance matrices
- 4. Knowledge of theoretical methods for predicting effective elastic properties using rule of mixture, Halpin-Tsai formulation, including advantages and limitations
- 5. Ability to determine the onset of failure in composites using maximum stress theory, maximum strain theory, Tsai-Hill and Tsai-Wu theories
- 6. Ability to determine the elastic behavior of multidirectional laminates composed of plies with different orientations

## Topics:

- □ *Introduction to Composites* Basic concepts, Advantages & disadvantages, Role of constituents (fibers, matrix), Synthesis and fabrication techniques
- Basic Concepts Composites terminology, Types of composites, Degrees of anisotropy,
   Lamina properties
- □ *UD lamina* Elastic constitutive relations, Relations between mathematical and elastic constants, plane stress constitutive relation, Transformation of elastic parameters, effective elastic properties (fiber volume ratio, rule of mixtures)
- □ Strength of UD lamina Failure mechanisms and failure criterion, failure theories (stress, strain, Tsai Hill, Tsai Wu)
- □ *Multi-directional laminates* Macro-mechanical Analysis, Elastic properties, Laminate theory, (Cross-Ply, Moment-Curvature, Basic), Stress and Failure analysis
- □ Failure and Design of Laminates Ply Arrangements, Failure Theories, Failure Criterion
- Other topics: Fracture and fatigue, Mechanical testing methods overview, Hygro-thermal effects

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Casio: All fx-115 models. Any Casio calculator must contain fx-115 in its model name.

Hewlett Packard: The HP 33s and HP 35s models, but no others.

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