

## **I. Course Number and Name**

MECH 1321: Statics

## **II. Credits and Contact Hours**

3 Credit Hours

## **III. Instructor's or Course Coordinator's Name**

Barry Benedict

## **IV. Text Book, Title, Author, and Year**

Hibbeler, R. C.(2009). *Engineering Mechanics: Statics*. 12<sup>th</sup> Edition

## **V. Specific Course Information**

- a. Description: Principles of mechanics, vectors, force systems, equilibrium of particles and rigid bodies, force analysis of truss structures, distributed forces, centroids, and friction.
- b. Prerequisites: MATH 1411: Calculus
- c. Required

## **VI. Specific Goals for the Course**

At the end of the course, students will learn the principles that govern the behavior of rigid-body mechanical engineering systems in static equilibrium. Specifically, students will be able to do the following:

- a. Identify an engineering problem appropriate for engineering mechanics analysis;
- b. Draw a free-body diagram and identify all forces and moments acting on an object at rest;
- c. Represent force and moment systems with equivalent systems;
- d. Perform an analysis to identify all forces and moments acting internally or externally on an object;
- e. Determine geometric properties of one, two and three dimensional objects

This class significantly addresses the following ABET Objectives:

Program Outcomes

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## VII. Brief List of Topics to be Covered

- a. General Principles
  - i. Classification of mechanics
  - ii. International and English units
  - iii. General procedure for analysis
- b. Force Vectors
  - i. Scalars and vectors
  - ii. Vector operations
  - iii. Cartesian vectors
  - iv. Dot product
  - v. Addition of vectors
- c. Equilibrium of a Particle
  - i. Condition for the equilibrium of a particle
  - ii. Free-body diagram
  - iii. Three dimensional force systems
- d. Force Systems Resultant
  - i. Cross product
  - ii. Principle of moments
  - iii. Moment of a force in scalar and vector formulation
  - iv. Simplification of a force and couple system
  - v. Reduction of a simple distributed loading
- e. Equilibrium of a Rigid Body
  - i. Conditions for rigid body equilibrium
  - ii. Equations for equilibrium
  - iii. Two and three force member
- f. Structural Analysis
  - i. Simple trusses
  - ii. The method of joints
  - iii. The method of sections
  - iv. Space trusses
  - v. Frames and machines
- g. Internal Forces
  - i. Internal forces developed in structural members
  - ii. Shear and moment equations and diagrams
  - iii. Relations between distributed load, shear and moment
- h. Friction
  - i. Dry friction
  - ii. Frictional forces and flat belts
  - iii. Frictional forces on journal bearings

- i. Center of Gravity and Centroid
  - i. Center of gravity, center of mass, and the centroid of a body
  - ii. Composite bodies
  - iii. Resultant of a general distributed loading
- j. Moment of Inertia
  - i. Definition of moments of inertia for areas
  - ii. Parallel-Axis theorem for an Area
  - iii. Radius of gyration of an area