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**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, DUBLIN**

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**DEGREES IN ENGINEERING**

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**EXTRACT FROM THE STATUTE OF THE UNIVERSITY**

The University may grant the following degrees to students who, under conditions laid down in the statutes and regulations, have completed approved courses of study, and have passed the prescribed examinations of the University, and fulfilled all other prescribed conditions.

Bachelor of Engineering (BE)  
Master of Engineering Science (MEngSc)  
Master of Engineering (ME)  
Master of Engineering Design (MED)  
Master of Industrial Engineering (MIE)  
Master of Science (MSc)  
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The provisions as to the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture are the same as in the other Faculties.

The BE Degree is offered in the following five Departments of the School of Engineering:

Agricultural and Food Engineering  
Chemical Engineering  
Civil Engineering  
Electronic and Electrical Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering

The approved courses of study in each branch must be pursued during at least twelve terms.

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**DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (BE)**

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**ENTRY REGULATIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Application and Limitation of Numbers in First Engineering**

The number of students that can be accepted for the session 2000/2001 will be limited in accordance with the accommodation available. If the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of places available, selection will be on the basis of academic record.

Intending students must obtain a form of application from the Central Applications Office (Tower House, Eglinton Street, Galway) and must return it completed not later than the date stated on the form. Students whose entry to the University depends on their gaining scholarships or grants should, pending the award of such scholarships or grants, lodge the application form provisionally.

**Matriculation**

All students must fulfil the matriculation requirements of the National University of Ireland.

These requirements may be fulfilled by:

- (i) Passing the Leaving Certificate of the Department of Education or the GCE/GCSE (Northern Ireland) in the required subjects at prescribed levels; or
- (ii) Obtaining stated grades in the required subjects in a combination of Matriculation and Leaving Certificate Examinations\*; or
- (iii) Having been recommended to NUI by the University.

\* Relevant only to those who presented for the Matriculation Examination which was held for the last time in 1992.

**Special Qualifications in Mathematics**

For entry to the first year course in Engineering in session 2000/2001, students must qualify in Mathematics by one of the following methods:

- (a) By obtaining Grade B3 or better on the higher papers in Mathematics at the Irish Leaving Certificate Examination;
- (b) By obtaining Grade B in Mathematics at Advanced Level at the General Certificate of Education Examination, Northern Ireland;
- (c) By reaching a suitable standard at some other examination approved by the University. A pass in Mathematics at a First University Examination in University College Dublin would be deemed to meet the required standard for exemption.

**Entrance Scholarships**

An entrance scholarship of £1000 will be awarded to First Year students who have gained 575 points or higher at the first sitting of the Leaving Certificate Examination

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

In session 2000/2001 there is a common course in first year for all students of Engineering. Prior to sitting the First University Examination in Engineering in the Summer, students are required to state, in order of preference, their choice of Engineering discipline. The number of places available in each discipline is as follows:

Agricultural and Food Engineering	20 places
Chemical Engineering	36 places
Civil Engineering	50 places
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	77 places*
Mechanical Engineering	66 places

Students who pass the Summer Examination at the first sitting will be allocated to these places in second year on the basis of their stated preferences and of their ranking on that examination. The ranking will be determined by the total marks obtained on the whole examination.

Students who pass the Autumn Examination will be allocated places on the basis of their preferences and of their ranking on the Summer Examination.

\* Students in *Electronic and Electrical Engineering* will be required, on entering the final year, to indicate their preference as between Electronic Engineering and Electrical Engineering.

### Note: **Denominated Entry to Engineering Degree Programmes from 2001**

- From the student intake of 2001 onward, the denominated entry mode will be provided for all Engineering degree programmes - Agricultural and Food Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electronic Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering.
- In addition to denominated entry, Mechanical Engineering and Civil Engineering will also offer common entry to First Year and, after successful completion of First Year, a free choice to enter either Mechanical Engineering or Civil Engineering in Second Year.
- From 2001, the Mathematics requirement for the degree programme in Engineering will be HC3 with the exception of Electronic Engineering and Electrical Engineering which will require HB3.

**Language Requirement**

Candidates who enter courses for the Degree of BE shall be required to pass an examination in foreign languages. Students will not be conferred with the BE Degree until they have satisfied the language requirement.

Courses are provided in a range of foreign languages approved by the Faculty. Students will normally take the course in the first year of the degree programme. Courses are offered at different levels; the language skills of individual students determine the level at which a course is taken. The current programme of languages includes French, German, Spanish and Japanese.

The course and examination shall comprise four sections: oral communication, functional writing, listening comprehension and technical reading. All sections must be taken at one session.

**EXAMINATION REGULATIONS**

The University Examinations for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering are:

1. The First University Examination;
2. The Second University Examination;
3. The Third University Examination;
4. The Final University Examination for the Degree.

For eligibility for admission to each of the examinations, the prescribed course of study for that examination must have been attended satisfactorily.

The First University Examination may be taken not earlier than the end of the third term after matriculation. The Second University Examination may be taken not earlier than the end of the sixth term after matriculation. The Third University Examination may be taken not earlier than the end of the ninth term after matriculation. The Fourth or Final University Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering may be taken not earlier than the end of the twelfth term.

Honours may be awarded at each Summer examination.

The attention of students is directed to the following: Credit for a course, Pass or Honours, requires satisfactory attendance and performance of all work prescribed during the year.

The examinations may in each subject include a written and an oral examination.

In all practical examinations, the examiners will, where possible, take into account the work done by the candidate while preparing for the examination as shown by the certified record of his/her work, such as notebooks, project and laboratory reports, library investigations, drawings and designs etc., which must be submitted for inspection.

**Special Requirements for Honours in the BE Degree Examination**

Candidates for First Class Honours in Electronic and Electrical Engineering must satisfy the examiners in at least one unit of Mathematics.

**Time Limit for Passing Examinations**

Attention is drawn to the following University Regulations which will be rigidly enforced:

1. No student will be allowed to present himself/herself for any examination in the University prior to the completion of the preceding examination.
2.
  - (a) Students must pass the First University Examination in Engineering within two academic years from the date of entering the Engineering School. First year students who do not pass the First University Examination at the end of their first year may be permitted to re-attend their first year lectures but will not be permitted to re-attend practical classes in Drawing Office, Laboratory or Workshop. Exceptions to this rule will be made only on grounds of ill-health or for some other grave reason.
  - (b) Students must complete the Second University Examination in Engineering within two academic years from the date of passing the First University Examination in Engineering.
  - (c) Students must complete the Third University Examination in Engineering within two academic years from the date of passing the Second University Examination in Engineering.
  - (d) Students failing to pass any of these examinations within the specified interval will be ineligible to proceed further with their Engineering studies in any of the NUI constituent universities. Exceptions to this rule will be granted by the Academic Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture, only for very serious reasons.
  - (e) "Old Regulations" examination papers will be available for one year only following a change in the syllabus of any subject.

For the purpose of computing the time allowed to students to pass the First Engineering Examination, any student who *in any University* enters for a course containing three or more subjects of the First Engineering course will be deemed to have entered for the First Engineering course.

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**EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER SYSTEM (ECTS)**

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**FIRST YEAR ENGINEERING** (Common to all programmes)

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Mathematics	12
Experimental Physics	8
Chemistry	8
Mathematical Physics	8
Computer Science	6
Engineering Graphics	6
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	4
Engineering Thermodynamics	4
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	4
Total:	60

**AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD ENGINEERING**

**SECOND YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	5
Introduction to Biosystems	2
Food Science	10
Thermodynamics	2
Mechanics of Fluids	2
Applied Dynamics	4
Mechanics of Materials	4
Mathematics	8
Computer Science	3
Literature Research Project and Course Work	20
Total:	60

**THIRD YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Computer Science	2
Engineering Computation	2
Pure Mathematics	2
Applied Mathematics	2
Process Engineering Principles	8
Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics	5

**Note:** The course titles in this section on the ECTS do not necessarily refer exactly to the same course material as that associated with courses having the same or similar titles in subsequent sections of the booklet.

**THIRD YEAR (Contd.)**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Power and Machinery I	8
Crop Husbandry and Animal Husbandry	4
Electronic Engineering	4
Structural and Soil Engineering	5
Design Project and Course Work	<u>18</u>
Total:	60

**FOURTH YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Buildings and Environment	8
Environmental Engineering (including Course Work)	8
Food Process Engineering	8
Food Manufacturing Systems	6
Power and Machinery II (including Course Work)	8
Major Project	18

Four credits from two of the following:

Farm Management	2
Management and its Environment	2
Managing Manufacturing Enterprise	2
Mathematics A	2
Mathematics B	2
Renewable Energy Systems	2
Surveying	2
Environmental Policy and Management	<u>2</u>
Total:	60

<b>CHEMICAL ENGINEERING</b>
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**SECOND YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Chemical Engineering and Measurement	12
Chemistry	7
Mechanics of Fluids	4
Mechanics of Materials	4
Biotechnology I	5
Mathematics	10
Experimental Physics	6
Computers in Chemical Engineering I	4
Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics	<u>7</u>
Total:	60

**THIRD YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Unit Operations I	8
Heat Transfer I and Mass Transfer	8
Fluid Flow I	6
Mechanical Design and Engineering Materials	6
Pure and Applied Mathematics	8
Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics	6
Computers in Chemical Engineering II	6
Electrical Engineering	4
Applied Chemistry and Biotechnology II	8
Total:	<u>60</u>

**FOURTH YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Unit Operations II	6
Reactor Design and Automatic Control	6
Heat Transfer II and Fluid Flow II	6
Process Design	5
Management and its Environment	3
Environmental Studies	4
Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Processes	4
Design Project	12
Research Project	12

Two credits from one of the following elective subjects:

Mathematics A	2
Mathematics B	<u>2</u>
Total:	<u>60</u>

<b>CIVIL ENGINEERING</b>
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**SECOND YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Introduction to Biosystems	4
Surveying	6
Building Construction and Engineering	
Materials	10
Mechanics of Fluids	6
Mechanics of Materials	6
Thermodynamics and Electrical Engineering	6
Computer Science	4
Mathematics	8
Year's Work	<u>10</u>
Total:	60

**THIRD YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Hydraulics	8
Engineering Computation    }	8
Mathematics                    }	
Engineering Economy	6
Geology	4
Soil Mechanics	8
Theory and Design of Structures	10
Microcomputer Applications in Civil	4
Engineering	
Year's Work	<u>12</u>
Total:	60

**FOURTH YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Civil Engineering Design	25
The Engineer and Society	7
Engineering Report and Year's Work	14

Fourteen credits from the following elective subjects:

Mathematics	3.5
Mathematical Physics	3.5
Structural Analysis	7
Structural Design	7
Geotechnics Engineering	7

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**Engineering**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Transportation Operations and Planning	7
Hydrology and Water Quality Management	7
Unit Treatment Processes of Water Engineering	7
Coastal Engineering	<u>7</u>
Total:	60

**ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**

**SECOND YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Experimental Physics	5
Computer Engineering 1	5
Applied Dynamics	5
Mathematics	10
Solid State Electronics 1	10
Circuit Theory 1	5
Electromagnetics 1	5
Electronic Circuits 1	5
Electrotechnics	5
Year's Work	<u>5</u>
Total:	60

**THIRD YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Engineering Computation	3
Computer Engineering 2	4
Pure and Applied Mathematics	6
Electrical Machines 1	4
Solid State Electronics 2	5
Circuit Theory 2	4
Electronic Circuits 2	5
Communication Theory 1	4
Electromagnetics 2	4
Linear Systems Analysis	5
Control Theory 1	4
Power Systems 1	4
Year's Work	<u>8</u>
Total:	60

**FOURTH YEAR**

**Electrical Engineering**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Electronic Circuits 3	} 15
Control Systems	
Optoelectronics and Filters	
Digital Signal Processing	
Electrical Machines 2	} 15
High Voltage Engineering	
Power Systems 2	
Power Electronics	
Four options chosen from the following list:	
Mathematics 2	} 15
Mathematics 3	
Management and its Environment	
Biomedical Engineering	
Circuit Synthesis	
Dielectric and Magnetic Materials	
Semiconductor Devices and Applications	
Optoelectronics	
Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis	
Non-Linear Circuits and Systems	
Electrical Machines 3	
Power Systems 3	
Renewable Energy Systems	
Power Electronic Systems	
Thermodynamics	
Applications of Digital Signal Processing	
Hardware/Software Co-Design	
Year's Work	$\frac{15}{60}$

**FOURTH YEAR**

**Electronic Engineering**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Electronic Circuits 3	} 15
Control Systems	
Optoelectronics and Filters	
Digital Signal Processing	
Antennas and Propagation	} 15
Communication Theory 2	
Digital Electronics	
RF Circuits and Systems	

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***Engineering***

Four options chosen from the following list:

Mathematics 2	}	15
Mathematics 3		
Management and its Environment		
Biomedical Engineering		
Circuit Synthesis		
Dielectric and Magnetic Materials		
Semiconductor Devices and Applications		
Optoelectronics		
Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis		
Non-Linear Circuits and Systems		
Communication Systems		
Advanced Communication Theory		
Microwave Engineering		
Applications of Digital Signal Processing		
Year's Work	}	<u>15</u> 60

**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

**SECOND YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Experimental Physics	4.5
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	6.0
Computer Science	4.5
Mathematics	9.0
Applied Dynamics	4.5
Mechanics of Materials	4.5
Thermodynamics and Engineering Measurement	4.5
Mechanics of Fluids	4.5
Production Engineering and Cost Analysis	4.5
Process Metallurgy	4.5
Year's Work	<u>9.0</u>
Total:	60.0

**THIRD YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics	4.5
Engineering Computation	3.0
Computer Science	3.0
Pure and Applied Mathematics	7.5
Applied Dynamics and Control Systems	4.5
Stress Analysis in Design	4.5
Electrical Engineering	5.5
Electronic Engineering	5.5
Design and Production	4.5
Engineering Materials	4.5
Management Accounting and Finance	4.5
Year's Work	<u>8.5</u>
Total:	60.0

**FOURTH YEAR**

<i>Course Title:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
Energy Conversion Systems	6.0
Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer	6.0
Applied Dynamics and Control Systems	6.0
Managing Manufacturing Enterprise	3.0
Engineer in Society	2.0
Mathematics A	3.0
<i>or</i>	
Mathematics B	3.0
Computer Aided Engineering	6.0
Design and Materials Engineering	6.0
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	6.0
Year's Work	<u>16.0</u>
Total:	60.0

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**COURSES OF STUDY**

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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all Engineering students. The courses of study are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course

**MATH1600 Mathematics**

Four course units, each unit comprises approximately 24 lectures

Unit 1:

Sets, functions, continuity, differentiation, curve sketching, optimization.

Unit 2:

Solutions of systems of linear equations, matrix algebra, determinants, complex numbers, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, vectors in 3-space, scalar and vector products, lines and planes in 3-space.

Unit 3:

Definite and indefinite integration, techniques of integration, applications of integration, first and second order ordinary differential equations.

Unit 4:

Infinite series, power series, Taylor's theorem and series, partial differentiation of functions of two or more variables, Lagrange multiplier method.

**EXPH1603 Experimental Physics**

Lectures: Three lectures each week in the first semester and two lectures each week in the second semester

Laboratory: Two hours each week

Introduction to Mechanics; gravitation;

Wave motion: light and sound, reflection, refraction, interference, diffraction, Doppler effect, ray optics, mirrors and lenses;

Electricity and magnetism: electrostatics, capacitance, magnetism, electromagnetic induction, electromagnetic waves;

**EXPH1603 Experimental Physics (Contd.)**

Quantum physics: quantization of radiant energy, atomic levels, electric charge;  
Radioactivity: unstable nuclei,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  decay, fission, fusion.

**CHEM1604 Chemistry**

Lectures: Two lectures each week

Laboratory: Nine laboratory sessions, each of three hours duration, in the second semester.

Atomic structure and the periodic table; bonding, valency, formulae and shape of molecule; moles and stoichiometry; molecular/ionic equilibrium; acids and bases; redox reactions; volumetric analysis; rates of reaction; thermochemistry; electrochemistry and metals; non-metals; organic chemistry.

**MAPH1014 Mathematical Physics**

Lectures: Two per week in the first semester and three per week in the second semester

Vectors, relative velocity, equilibrium of a particle, Newton's Second Law of Motion applied to particle; momentum and impulse; work, power and energy; conservative forces in one dimension; linear motion with constant acceleration; projectiles; circular motion; simple harmonic motion; linear motion with variable acceleration; compound pendulum motion; motion of a rigid body; small oscillations of a rigid body; equilibrium of a rigid body; reduction of a system of coplanar forces; distributed forces; centre of gravity; equilibrium of two and three forces acting on a rigid body; equilibrium of more than three forces acting on a rigid body.

**COMP1604 Computer Science**

Lectures: One lecture each week

Laboratory: Two hours per week

Introduction to computers; basic hardware; concept of a program; operating systems; files; syntax and semantics; logic; loops; data structures; sorting; structured programming; debugging; program validation; application packages.

**CVEN1001 Engineering Graphics**

One lecture and one practical class per week

Manual draughting:

Use of drawing instruments. Lettering, linework and preparation of computation sheets. Descriptive geometry, orthographic and isometric projection. Sections. Dimensioning. Freehand sketching. Plane curves and Developments.

**CVEN1001 Engineering Graphics (Contd.)**

**Computer-aided draughting (CAD):**

File creation and management. Element placement, manipulation and modification. Shapes, patterning, dimensioning and drawing with constraints.

**CVEN1003 Engineering Fluid Mechanics**

One lecture per week

Introduction: states of matter, definition of a fluid; fluid properties; fluid statics: pressure intensity, pressure measurement, fluid pressure on surfaces, Archimedes law, flotation/stability; fluid kinematics: streamlines, continuity equation, Bernoulli's equation, flow measurement, orifices, trajectory of a liquid jet; fluid dynamics: momentum equation, fluid acceleration; applications.

**EEEN1001 Electronic and Electrical Engineering**

One lecture per week

Overview of electronic and electrical engineering; elementary circuit concepts; DC circuit analysis; transients; AC signals; outline of electromagnetic spectrum; analog and digital signals and their uses; analog signals and instrumentation; digital signals and logic circuits; operational amplifiers; introductory electrotechnics.

**MEEN1003 Engineering Thermodynamics**

One lecture per week

Basic concepts of thermodynamics; properties of pure substances; work and heat; First Law of thermodynamics for a closed system; control volume; conservation of mass and energy; introduction to the Second Law and entropy; conduction, convection and radiation; applications.

**ENGF1001 Introduction to Engineering**

One lecture per week in the first semester and engineering laboratory visits in the second semester.

A series of lectures and engineering laboratory visits will be given, in turn, by each of the five Departments of Engineering. This programme is designed to provide first year students with an introduction to the Engineering discipline, and to each Department of the School of Engineering.

**ENGF1002 Languages**

Thirty six hours of language classes in the academic year

Candidates who enter for the Degree of BE shall be required to pass a College Examination in foreign languages. Students will not be conferred with the BE Degree until they have satisfied the language requirement.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
ENGINEERING (AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD  
ENGINEERING)**

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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Food Science	AFEN2001
Literature Research Project	AFEN2002
Thermodynamics	MEEN2003
Applied Dynamics	MEEN2001
Mechanics of Materials	MEEN2002
Mechanics of Fluids	CVEN2005
Electrical Engineering	EEEN2026
Electronic Engineering	EEEN2025
Introduction to Biosystems	CVEN2001
Mathematics	MATH2006
Computer Science	COMP2605
Literature Research Project and Course Work	AFEN2020

**THIRD YEAR**

Power and Machinery I	AFEN3002
Process Engineering Principles	AFEN3001
Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics	MEEN3001
Structural and Soil Engineering	AFEN3003
Electronic Engineering	EEEN3025
Computer Methods in Engineering	MEEN3006
Engineering Computation	MAPH3044
Mathematics	MATH3600
Crop Husbandry and Animal Husbandry	ANSC3600
Design Project }	
Year's Work }	AFEN3020

**FOURTH YEAR**

Food Process Engineering	AFEN4003
Food Manufacturing Systems	AFEN4004
Buildings and Environment	AFEN4001
Environmental Engineering	AFEN4002
Power and Machinery II	AFEN4005
Major Project	AFEN4007

Two elective units:

Management and its Environment (1 unit)*	BMGT4001
Farm Management (1 unit)	AERD4600
Renewable Energy Systems (1 unit)	ELEN4005
Surveying (1 unit)	AFEN4006
Forest Engineering (1 unit)	AFEN4010
Mathematics A or B (1 unit)	MATH4601/2
Environmental Policy and Management (1 unit)	ENVS4030
Managing Manufacturing Enterprise (1 unit)	MEEN4004

\* 1 unit = 25 lecture hours.

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**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Course descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**AFEN2001 Food Science**

*Food Biochemistry*

Fundamentals of food biochemistry as applied to food and nutrition with emphasis on the biochemistry of carbohydrates, proteins, fats, enzymes and vitamins.

*Food Microbiology*

Basic food microbiology, mould, yeasts, bacteria; contamination, preservation and spoilage of selected foods.

*Food Materials*

Rheological and thermal properties of foods. Measurement of colour of foods. Mass transfer in foods.

**AFEN2002 Literature Research Project**

Students will be required to carry out a comprehensive literature survey in a selected aspect of agricultural and food engineering. An oral progress presentation and comprehensive final report will be required.

**MEEN2003 Thermodynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students)*

First Law of Thermodynamics; Control system analysis; control volume analysis; steady-state, steady-flow energy equation. Second Law of Thermodynamics; Work and heat; quality of energy; reversible and irreversible processes; Carnot cycle; absolute temperature scale; definition of entropy; Clausius inequality; derivation of T-ds relations. Analysis of thermodynamic cycles; Rankine, Vapour Compression, Brayton-Joule, Otto, Diesel Cycles.

**MEEN2001 Applied Dynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Electronic and Electrical, and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Three-dimensional force systems: resultants and equilibrium. Topics in friction. Particle kinematics. Plane kinematics of rigid bodies. Plane kinetics of rigid bodies: force and acceleration; impulse and momentum; work and energy. Vibration, free and forced. Central force motion.

**MEEN2002 Mechanics of Materials**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Chemical and Mechanical Engineering students)*

One dimensional stress and strain. Biaxial stress. Principal stresses and strains in 2-D. Hookes Law. Strain gauges. Thin-walled pressure vessels. Torsion of circular shafts. Bending stresses and deflections. Buckling of slender bars.

**CVEN2005 Mechanics of Fluids**

A continuation course on fluid flow from a physical viewpoint. Review of fluid properties. Fluid statics. Kinematics of fluid flow. Continuity equation. Stream function - Two-dimensional-incompressible. Rotational and irrotational motion. Circulation. Equations of irrotational motion. Dynamics of fluids. Force, energy and momentum. Effects of pressure, weight, viscosity, turbulence and compressibility. Dynamic similitude. Boundary layers, surface drag, form drag. Turbo-machinery.

**EEEN2026 Electrical Engineering**

Elementary network theory. Introduction to electrical transients. Elementary alternating current theory.

**EEEN2025 Electronic Engineering**

Triodes, pn diodes, bipolar and field-effect transistors. Device equivalent circuits. Rectification and simple power supplies. Various amplifier configurations, equivalent circuit analysis, frequency response, single-tuned FET amplifier.

**CVEN2001 Introduction to Biosystems**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Chemical and Civil Engineering students).*

Definitive properties and levels of organisation of living systems. Chemical composition of living systems. Cell metabolism. Origin of life-metabolic evolution. Diversity of life forms. Animal and plant tissues and organs. Physiological systems. Protists. Nutrient requirements of organisms. Populations, communities and ecosystems. Biogeochemical cycles. Emergence of man. Impact of man on the biosphere. Social implications of recent advances in biology.

**MATH2006 Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Change of basic matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification. Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables. Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric, Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**COMP2605 Computer Science**

Software engineering: Requirements analysis, formal and semi-formal specification, top-down structured programming, abstract data types, modularity, validation and verification. Software systems: Assemblers, compilers, high-level languages, operating systems.

Programming problems related to the course material will be assigned.

**AFEN2020 Literature Research Project and Course Work**

The Year's Work consists of assignments in the following areas:

- Computer Applications (Introduction to PCs and DOS, computer aided drafting, word processing, spread sheet analysis, statistical analysis)
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Engineering Technology
- Food Science
- Literature Research (AFEN2002)

**THIRD YEAR**

**AFEN3002 Power and Machinery I**

Philosophy and practice of design. Materials. Geometric tolerances. Physical, chemical and biochemical characteristics of biological materials including grass, cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruit, timber and peat. The design of machine components including bearings, shafting, springs and gears. Stress analysis and design for fatigue. Computer-based systems design. Finite element analysis. Computer aided design. International standards.

Engines and fuels. Energy resources. Energy conversion systems. Thermodynamic limits to engine performance. Electric motors. Heat exchangers. Engine testing. Biofuels. Mechanical and fluid power transmission systems, including gearboxes, clutches, torque converters and electronic control systems. Hydraulic power systems.

**AFEN3001 Process Engineering Principles**

Basic modes of heat transfer. Steady state conduction. Unsteady state conduction. Free and forced convection. Finned surfaces. Heat exchangers. Radiation. Heat transfer with phase change. Process laboratory practicals. Computer applications.

Mass balances in food process operations. Principles and applications of food separation processes including: distillation, leaching, filtration, ultrafiltration, reverse osmosis, electrodialysis, centrifugation. Psychrometrics in food and agricultural systems. Process laboratory practicals. Computer applications.

**MEEN3001 Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students).*

Refrigeration and heat pumps. Inequality of Clausius. Entropy. Reversibility and availability. Second Law efficiency. Rankine cycles. Air standard cycles. Fundamentals of aircraft propulsion. Mixtures of gases. Psychrometry. Combustion.

Incompressible and compressible external flow. Compressible internal flow. Normal shock waves. Nozzle characteristics.

**AFEN3003 Structural and Soil Engineering**

Soil classification. Phase relations. Failure theory. Retaining walls. Slope stability. Foundation pressures. Consolidation and compaction.

Structural analysis. Estimation of loading on structures including wind load. Steel, reinforced concrete and wood as structural materials. Design for bending, shear, deflection, compression and buckling in basic structural elements including beams, slabs, walls, columns, trusses and simple frames.

**EEEN3025 Electronic Engineering**

DC stabilisation of single-stage amplifiers, multi-stage amplifiers, frequency response. Class A and Class B power amplifiers, introduction to feedback, oscillators, single-tuned amplifiers, Class C tuned power amplifiers, RF heating, amplitude modulation and demodulation, carrier fed strain gauge systems, synchronous demodulation, FET. Source follower, astable, mono-stable and bistable circuits. Schmitt trigger.

**MEEN3006 Computer Methods in Engineering**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Application of high level programming languages to mathematical modelling. Programming of numerical analysis algorithms. Interpretation of experimental data: curve fitting, statistical analysis. Validation of numerical models.

**MAPH3044 Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MATH3601 Mathematics [LT-FS-CV or CofV] (1 unit)\***

Laplace transform (LT). Heavyside-step and Dirac-Delta functions, convolution, solutions of differential equations, engineering examples.

Fourier series (FS). Hilbert spaces, partial differential equations (wave and heat), engineering applications. Introduction to calculus of variations (CofV). *OR*

Introduction to theory of functions of a complex variable (CV). Cauchy-Riemann equations. Harmonic functions. Conformal mappings. Cauchy integral formulae.

**MATH3602 Mathematics (Integral Calculus) (1 unit)\***

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stokes' theorem. Applications.

**ANSC3600 Crop Husbandry and Animal Husbandry**

Climate and soils. Principles of tillage and grass production. Conservation and utilisation of farm foods. Principles of feeding, breeding and management of farm animals. Animals in disease. Animal behaviour; shelter needs of the animal. Interdependence of livestock and crops.

**AFEN3021 Design Project**

Students will carry out a design project involving the design of a machine, machine element, item of equipment, building or system associated with a selected aspect of agricultural and food engineering.

**AFEN3020 Year's Work**

The year's work consists of projects in the following areas:

- Computer Methods in Engineering
- Process Engineering (Laboratory)
- Electrical/Electronic Engineering (Laboratory)
- Mechanics and Thermodynamics (Laboratory)
- Structural and Soil Engineering (Design and Laboratory)
- Design Project

\* 1 unit = 25 lecture hours.

**FOURTH YEAR**

**AFEN4003 Food Process Engineering**

Pasteurisation, UHT and aseptic processing, microwave and dielectric heating, crystallisation, freezing, homogenisation, emulsification, sensors for food process automation. Computer applications. Laboratory process practicals.

Drying theory and applications, including water binding mechanisms, high and low temperature drying, constant and falling rate periods, industrial applications with reference to foods, feed, peat and timber. Other unit operations connected with the drying process, such as evaporation, extrusion, packaging and storage. Simulation of the drying process, computer applications laboratory. Laboratory process practicals.

**AFEN4004 Food Manufacturing Systems**

Quality systems standards. Food legislation. Process plant layout. Principles of cleaning, hygienic design.

Food refrigeration: refrigeration cycles, equipment, thermal properties, cooling and freezing processes, mathematical modelling, IT, chilled and frozen foods.

**AFEN4001 Buildings and Environment**

Siting of agricultural buildings and food facilities. Internal layout. Internal environment control systems. Crop storage. Reinforced concrete. Structural steel. Computer applications.

Animal production buildings. Food facilities. Milking parlour design. Agricultural building services. Management and disposal of animal manures. Technologically advanced methods of manure management. Rural roads. Computer applications.

**AFEN4002 Environmental Engineering**

Legislation, waste and waste-water treatment, solid waste, atmospheric emissions, noise, IPC licensing, environmental management and auditing. Land as a waste treatment and disposal medium, hydrology, treatment processes in the soil, design.

**AFEN4005 Power and Machinery II**

*Precision Agriculture*

Global Positioning Systems (GPS), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), sensors, yield maps, variable rate technology, satellite imagery, decision support, soil and environmental properties.

*Control*

Modelling dynamic systems, system response, feedback control. Instrumentation, measurement of pressure, flow and temperature, compact data loggers. Programmable logic controller (PLC) technology.

**AFEN4007 Major Project**

Students will carry out a comprehensive project involving experimentation, systems analysis and/or design in an approved topic in agricultural and food engineering. The project will include:

- (i) A survey of the literature;
- (ii) Oral progress report (seminar style);
- (iii) The presentation of a comprehensive report.

*In addition to the above, a total of two units\* of the following course/s must be studied:*

**BMGT4001 Management and its Environment (1 unit)**

The Irish economy, its institutions and international relationships. The firm and its environment. Organisational objectives and corporate behaviour. Economic concepts. Market structure and the competitive process. Demand analysis. Forms of organisation, private and public bodies. Management, its nature and functions - planning, organising, directing, controlling. Financial management. Presentation and analysis of financial statements. Forecasting. Working capital. Capital budgeting. Financial institutions. Marketing management. Market research. Product life cycle. Product mix. Marketing mix. Operations management. Concept of a system. System design, planning and control. Personnel management. Industrial relations. Trade unions. Collective bargaining.

**AERD4600 Farm Management (1 unit)**

Objectives and goals of the farm manager, farm management functions and organisation, farm family life cycle. Farm accounting definitions and analysis techniques, capital budgeting and investment appraisal, partial budgeting and whole farm planning and budgeting; enterprise budgets, direct payments, REPS and other State supports. Farm management controls, computerisation and IT; alternative enterprises, farm labour and risk analysis, part-time farming. Farm security and safety, management for quality production at farm level.

**ELEN4005 Renewable Energy Systems (1 unit)**

Aspects of renewable energy systems (e.g. windpower, hydropower, wavepower, photovoltaic conversion, direct solar heating, biomass, hydrogen as an energy vector, introduction to economic analysis).

**AFEN4006 Surveying (1 unit)**

Chain surveying; surveys of small areas and buildings; survey instruments and their use in plane surveying; ordnance survey maps; triangulation, calculation and adjustment of traverses; circular curves. Contouring and topographic surveying; tacheometry. Electronic distance measurement. Areas and volumes. Aerial surveying and associated area mensuration.

**AFEN4010 Forest Engineering (1 unit)**

Forest machinery design, selection and operation. Timber transport. Environmental impact. Central tyre inflation (CTI) and telemetric control systems.

**Mathematics (1 unit):**

**MATH4601 Mathematics (1 unit)**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4602 Mathematics (1 unit)**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**ENVS4030 Environmental Policy and Management (1 unit)**

This will provide an overview of analytical techniques applied in management and policy analysis in regard to key environmental challenges, including climate change, acidification, water, air, waste. Sectoral issues in agriculture, industry (IPC licensing), transport and energy will be addressed. Students will acquire some insights as to the key issues, and an analytical framework with which to address them. Lectures will be complemented as appropriate by the views of key leaders in environmental policy and management in Ireland.

**MEEN4004 Managing Manufacturing Enterprise (1 unit)**

For course description, see under 'Mechanical Engineering', page 79.

\* 1 unit = 25 lecture hours.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (CHEMICAL  
ENGINEERING)**

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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Chemical Engineering and Measurement	CHEN2001
Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics	CHEN2002
Chemistry	CHEN2003
Computers in Chemical Engineering I	CHEN2004
Mechanics of Fluids	CVEN2005
Biotechnology I	CHEN2005
Mechanics of Materials	MHEN2002
Mathematics	MATH2600
Experimental Physics	EXPH2605
Year's Work	CHEN2009

**THIRD YEAR**

*Note:* Third year students should note that in the assessment for the BE Degree the performance of candidates at both the Third and Final Examinations is taken into account in the following manner: An adjusted overall percentage mark will be computed by adding 30% of the percentage mark obtained at the first sitting of the Third Examination to 70% of the percentage mark obtained in the Final Examination. Ranking of students and the award of Honours in the BE Degree will be based on such adjusted overall percentage mark.

Unit Operations	CHEN3001
Heat Transfer I and Mass Transfer	CHEN3002
Fluid Flow I	CHEN3003
Mechanical Design and Engineering Materials	CHEN3004
Applied Chemistry and Biotechnology II	CHEN3005
Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics	CHEN3006
Computers in Chemical Engineering II	CHEN3007
Electrical Engineering	EEEN3027
Engineering Computation	MAPH3014
Pure and Applied Mathematics	MATH3611
Year's Work	CHEN3020

**FOURTH YEAR**

Unit Operations II	CHEN4001
Reactor Design and Automatic Control	CHEN4002
Heat Transfer II and Fluid Flow II	CHEN4003
Process Design	CHEN4004
Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Processes	CHEN4005
Environmental Studies	CHEN4006
Management and its Environment	BMGT4001
Design Project	CHEN4007
Research Project	CHEN4008

*Elective Courses:*

One course from MATH4601 or MATH4602

Mathematics

MATH4601

Mathematics

MATH4602

Students may choose their elective course in consultation with the staff of the Department and they must inform the Head of the Department of the course in which they wish to be examined not later than *four* weeks after the commencement of the academic year. Students may not sit examinations in more than one elective course. An elective course will not be offered unless at least five students register for it.

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**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Course descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**CHEN2001      Chemical Engineering and Measurement**

*Chemical Engineering:* Historical perspectives. Conservation of mass, energy and momentum. Rate equations. Equilibrium relations. SI units. Industrial stoichiometry. Introduction to transport phenomena. Models for simple chemical engineering systems. Enzyme catalysed reactions.

*Measurement:* The use of statistics in experimental situations. The significance of means, analysis of variances, linear regression and correlation, experimental design. Principles of measurement of temperature, pressure, velocity of fluid flow, size distribution.

**CHEN2002      Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics**

*Thermodynamics:* The second law, reversibility and irreversibility, the Carnot cycle, Clausius' theorem, entropy, entropy calculations. The Gibbs and Helmholtz functions. Equilibrium criteria. The fundamental property relations for a homogeneous fluid of constant composition. Maxwell's relations. The third law. The thermodynamics of open systems. Gas, steam and refrigeration cycles.

*Chemical Kinetics:* The rate equation. Analysis of kinetic data. The Arrhenius equation. Elementary and complex reactions. Batch and flow reactors. Physical and chemical adsorption. Adsorption isotherms. Measurement of surface area and pore size distribution. L-H and H-W models.

**CHEN2003      Chemistry**

Introduction to industrial and applied chemistry. Unit processes in organic synthesis and industrial applications. Laboratory work relating to the content of lecture courses.

**CHEN2004            Computers in Chemical Engineering I**

An applied course to familiarise students with a range of computer software and their environments for solving chemical engineering problems. Students will undertake a number of computer assignments related to chemical engineering problems.

**CVEN2005            Mechanics of Fluids**

A continuation course on fluid flow from a physical viewpoint. Review of fluid properties. Fluid statics. Kinematics of fluid flow. Continuity equation. Stream function – two-dimensional-incompressible. Rotational and irrotational motion. Circulation. Equations of irrotational motion. Dynamics of fluids. Force, energy and momentum. Effects of pressure, weight, viscosity, turbulence and compressibility. Dynamic similitude. Boundary layers, surface drag, form drag. Turbo-machinery.

**CHEN2005            Biotechnology I**

Introduction to basic biotechnology: microorganisms, biotechnological processes and industrial aspects. Cellular structure and metabolism, including pathways, aerobic/anaerobic metabolism, biosynthesis and growth. Cell growth kinetics, including mathematical models, rate equations and analysis of batch/chemostat operation. Industrial applications, particularly alcohol/brewing, waste treatment and antibiotics production. Newer developments, including genetic engineering and ethical considerations.

**MHEN2002            Mechanics of Materials**

One dimensional stress and strain. Biaxial stress. Principal stresses and strains in 2-D. Hookes Law. Strain gauges. Thin-walled pressure vessels. Torsion of circular shafts. Bending stresses and deflections. Buckling of slender bars.

**MATH2600                      Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Changes of basic matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification. Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables, Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric. Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**EXPH2605                      Experimental Physics**

Properties of materials. The kinetic theory of gases. Heat and thermodynamics. Low temperature physics. Electron physics. X-ray diffraction. Atomic and nuclear physics. Introduction to wave mechanisms. Introduction to solid state physics.

*Laboratory:* Measurements of the physical quantities discussed in the course of lectures.

**CHEN2009                      Year's Work**

*Chemical Engineering Graphics:* A practical introduction to computer-based drafting. Flow sheets in standard format and graphical presentations relevant to chemical engineering.

*Chemical Engineering Laboratory I:* A course of laboratory experiments designed to illustrate fundamental principles of chemical engineering, measurement and chemistry. Tasks undertaken include: Fabrication and calibration of thermo-couples, calibration of pressure transducers and Bourdon gauge, comparison of venturi meter and orifice meter, measurement of centrifugal pump characteristics, observation of valve types and measurement of pressure drop over gate, globe and ball valves, and other pipe fittings. Chemical analysis – Volumetric and gravimetric methods. Electrochemistry – Conductance behaviour of electrolytes, the Nernst equation, potentiometric methods. Surface chemistry – Adsorption from solution, surface tension, ion exchange. Chemical kinetics – Reaction order, the Arrhenius equation. Instrumental analytical techniques – The use of conductance bridges, pH meters, potentiometers, ion activity meters, gas chromatography and atomic adsorption spectrophotometry.

<b>THIRD YEAR</b>
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**CHEN3001 Unit Operations I**

*Momentum Transfer Operations:* Fluid flow through packed beds, filtration, particle movement through a fluid, free and hindered setting, sedimentation, dust collection, air pollution control theory and technology.

*Heat Transfer Operations:* Humidification operations, psychrometric chart, humidity measurement, solids drying, rotary dryers, evaporation.

*Mass Transfer Operations:* Equilibrium relationships, flash and differential distillation, McCabe Thiele and Ponchon Savarit methods, binary and equivalent binary systems, gas absorption.

**CHEN3002 Heat Transfer I and Mass Transfer**

*Heat Transfer I:* Modes of heat transfer. Steady state conduction. Unsteady state conduction. Free and forced convection. Design of heat exchangers. Introduction to: boiling; condensation.

*Mass Transfer:* Molecular diffusion in gases and liquids. Diffusivity. Diffusion in turbulent flow. Analogies between heat, mass and momentum transfer. Interphase mass transfer. Mass transfer coefficients. Various theories of interphase mass transfer. Eddy diffusion. Diffusion in solids. Applications to chemical and biochemical engineering problems.

**CHEN3003 Fluid Flow I**

Flow measurement, pressure drop in heat exchangers and packed beds. Drag coefficients and particle trajectories. Two-phase pipe flow. Non-Newtonian fluids and power law flow. The classification and characteristics of pumps, fans and compressors. Agitator power requirements.

**CHEN3004 Mechanical Design and Engineering Materials**

*Mechanical Design:* Introduction to pressure vessel design methods. Pressure relief. Piping design. Quality assurance in design.

*Engineering Materials:* Mechanical properties. Fracture of materials, introduction to fracture mechanics, fatigue and creep. Non-destructive testing and inspection. Deterioration processes, corrosion and protection. Structure and properties of plastics and rubbers. Steels and selection of materials for chemical engineering plant construction. Laboratory demonstrations of non-destructive testing and materials selection.

**CHEN3005 Applied Chemistry and Biotechnology II**

*Applied Chemistry:* Study of selected topics in industrial and applied chemistry.

*Biotechnology II:* Principles of cultivation and thermodynamics of growth. Primary/secondary metabolism. Mixing, including questions of morphology and rheology. Mass transfer: oxygen requirements and oxygen transfer. Heat transfer. Scale-up. Industrial applications, including animal cells, plant cells, enzymes and biotransformations.

**CHEN3006      Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics**

Introduction to the thermodynamics of multi-component systems. Molar and partial molar quantities. Experimental measurement of partial molar volume and partial molar enthalpy. Partial molar free energy. The Gibbs-Duhem equation. Phase equilibrium and reaction equilibrium criteria. The ideal gas mixture. The ideal solution. Fugacity, fugacity coefficient correlations. The Lewis and Randall rule. Excess properties, activity coefficients. The phase rule; phase behaviour in vapour-liquid, liquid-liquid and solid-liquid systems – the use of activity coefficient correlations and equations of state. Chemical reaction equilibria; equilibrium constants, the van't Hoff equation. Reactions in homogeneous and heterogeneous systems.

**CHEN3007      Computers in Chemical Engineering II**

An applied course to familiarise students with a range of computer software and their environments for solving chemical engineering problems. Students will undertake a number of computer assignments related to chemical engineering problems.

**EEEN3027      Electrical Engineering**

DC circuit analysis. AC circuit analysis. Energy power, reactive power, phasor analysis applied to single phase circuits. Power factor correction. Series resonance. Operational amplifier and applications. Elementary active and passive filters. Phasor analysis of three phase circuits. Power measurement in three phase circuits. Magnetic circuits. Operating principle of the single phase transformer. Equivalent circuit of the transformer. Rotating fields in three phase machines. Operating principle of the three phase induction machine. Development of the equivalent circuit of the three phase induction machine. Starting and speed control of induction motors. Electrical safety. Protection. Codes of Practice. Electrical safety in potentially flammable atmospheres.

**MAPH3014      Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MATH3611      Pure and Applied Mathematics**

**MATH3601      Mathematics (LT, FS and CV or CofV)**

Laplace transform (LT). Heavyside-step and Dirac-Delta functions, convolution, solutions of differential equation, engineering examples.

Fourier series (FS). Hilbert spaces, partial differential equations (wave and heat) engineering applications. Introduction to calculus of variations (CofV) or introduction to theory of functions of a complex variable (CV). Cauchy-Riemann equations. Harmonic functions. Conformal mappings. Cauchy integral formulae.

**MATH3602 Mathematics (Integral Calculus)**

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stokes' theorem. Applications.

**MAPH3024 Mathematics Physics (Differential Equations)**

Ordinary differential equations. Isoclines. Linear systems of first order. Phase plane. Singular points. First order p.d.e. How they arise. Sketching characteristics. Solutions. Second order p.d.e. How they arise. The Cauchy problem. Characteristics. Difference schemes for Laplace. Wave and diffusion equations. Motivation for different initial or boundary value problems. Properties of solutions.

**CHEN3020 Year's Work**

*Chemical Engineering Laboratory II:* A course of laboratory experiments designed to illustrate fundamental chemical engineering and chemical principles and to afford experience of selected unit operations. A written report, detailing measurements, results, discussion and conclusion to be submitted for each experiment.

**FOURTH YEAR**

**CHEN4001 Unit Operations II**

Calculation methods for multi-stage mass transfer operations. Liquid-liquid extraction. Leaching. The air-water system. Drying mechanisms. Design of water cooling towers and humidification processes. Multicomponent separation processes. Batch distillation. The design of trays and other column contacting devices.

**CHEN4002 Reactor Design and Automatic Control**

*Reactor Design:* Design of batch, continuous plug-flow, and stirred tank reactors for single and multiple reaction schemes. Non-catalytic and catalytic heterogeneous reactions and reactor design for heterogeneous systems. Mixing and residence time distribution concepts. Unsteady state operation of continuous stirred tank reactors. Non-isothermal reactor performance. Selected examples from chemical engineering and biochemical engineering reactor design.

*Automatic Control:* Feedback. Transfer functions. Characteristic equations and root locus. Routh-Hurwitz stability. Bode and Nyquist diagrams. State space analysis. Liapunov stability. Pontryagin's maximum principle. Sampled data systems. Microcomputer-based control systems.

**CHEN4003 Heat Transfer II and Fluid Flow II**

*Heat Transfer II:* Radiant heat exchange. Radiation from gases. Boiling liquids. Condensing vapours. Analysis of heat transfer by convection. Design of heat transfer equipment.

*Fluid Flow II:* The Navier-Stokes equations. Applications to film flows and viscometric flows. Potential flow. Boundary layer theory. Theories of turbulence. Fluid-particle interactions. Applications to process equipment design. One-dimensional compressible flow in pipes, nozzles and diffusers. Choked flow.

**CHEN4004 Process Design**

The design method. Chemical engineering specifications. Factories Act. Patents. Process simulation. Capital and operating costs of process plants. Project evaluation methods. Uncertainty and risk in process design. Safety in design and operation of plants. Loss prevention.

**CHEN4005      Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Processes**

A selection from the following topics: Energy management in process plants. Multicomponent distillation. Absorption with chemical reaction. Adsorption. Chromatography. Membrane separation processes. Ion-exchange. Surface phenomena. Sterilisation and pasteurisation. Fermentation processes. Bioreactor performance.

**CHEN4006      Environmental Studies**

Selected topics from the following:

*Air Pollution:* Introduction. The nature of air pollution. Effects on human health, fauna and materials. Global effects. Monitoring of source and ambient levels of gaseous and particulate pollutants. Outline of current control technologies. Gaussian plume dispersion models. Use of US EPA software. EU and Irish legislation.

*Water Pollution:* Description of a river in its natural state and the chemical cycles in nature. Chemical tests and analysis of river water and effluents and the significance and interpretation of the results; the nature and effects of water pollution; causes of pollution with particular reference to the results of surveys carried out in Ireland; mathematical models of river pollution and recovery; water quality standards and legislation; effluent treatment models; case studies.

*Solid Waste Disposal:* Definition of hazardous waste. Waste Management Act (1996). Introduction to waste management systems (BS 7750, ISO 14001, EMAS). Waste arisings. Incineration, landfill, physical-chemical treatment processes, solidification, remediation.

**BMGT4001      Management and its Environment**

The Irish economy, its institutions and international relationships. The firm and its environment. Organisational objectives and corporate behaviour. Economic concepts. Market structure and the competitive process. Demand analysis. Forms of organisation, private and public bodies. Management, its nature and functions – Planning, organising, directing, controlling. Financial management. Presentation and analysis of financial statements. Forecasting. Working capital. Capital budgeting. Financial institutions. Marketing management. Market research. Product life cycle. Product mix. Marketing mix. Operations management. Concept of a system. System design, planning and control. Personnel management. Industrial relations. Trade unions. Collective bargaining.

**CHEN4007      Design Project**

Students undertake a design project which includes the preparation of flow sheets, material and energy balances, detailed design, mechanical design and the preparation of process instrumentation drawings. Safety, loss prevention and environmental impact are included in the design. Capital and operating costs of the plant are evaluated.

**CHEN4008      Research Project**

Students working singly or in pairs undertake a research project.

**Elective Course**

One course to be chosen from MATH 4601 or MATH 4602. Students must inform the Head of the Department of the course in which they wish to be examined not later than *four* weeks after the commencement of the academic year. Students may not sit examinations in more than one elective course. An elective course will not be offered unless at least five students register for it. Details of the elective courses are given overleaf.

**MATH4601      Mathematics**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4602      Mathematics**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR THE DEGREE OF  
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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Mechanics of Solids	CVEN2006
Mechanics of Fluids	CVEN2005
Surveying	CVEN2002
Building Construction	CVEN2003
Introduction to Biosystems	CVEN2001
Computer Applications in Civil Engineering	CVEN2007
Engineering Materials I	CVEN2004
Engineering Materials II	MEEN2006
Mathematics	MATH2600
Year's Work	CVEN2020

**THIRD YEAR**

Theory of Structures	CVEN3004
Design of Structures	CVEN3005
Hydraulics	CVEN3001

**THIRD YEAR (Contd.)**

Engineering Economy	CVEN3002
Soil Mechanics	CVEN3003
Year's Work	CVEN3020
Engineering Computation	MAPH3034
Mathematics	MATH3613
Mathematics	MATH3614
Mathematical Physics	MAPH3024
Geology	GEOL3611

**FOURTH YEAR**

The academic programme for the fourth year in the Department of Civil Engineering consists of four core subjects and two elective subjects. Candidates must choose the elective subjects in which they propose to present themselves for examination, in consultation with the Professor of Civil Engineering. The number admitted to any elective subject offered within the department will be limited to thirty (30). Admission to any particular elective subject will depend on performance in the Third Year Examination.

*Core Subjects*

Civil Engineering Design	CVEN4001
The Engineer and Society	CVEN4002
Engineering Report	}
Course Work	

*Elective Subjects*

Each of the following seven courses constitutes one full elective subject.

Structural Modelling	CVEN4003
Structural Design	CVEN4004
Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering	CVEN4005
Transportation Operations and Planning	CVEN4006
Hydraulic Engineering Design	CVEN4010
Unit Treatment Processes in Water Engineering	CVEN4008

Each of the following courses constitutes half an elective subject; any two may be selected as comprising an elective subject.

Mathematics	MATH4601
Mathematics	MATH4602

**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Course descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**CVEN2006 Mechanics of Solids**

Force equilibrium. Statically determinate structures. Trusses and planar frameworks. Rigid bodies supported on deformable supports. Statically indeterminate structures. Concepts of stress and strain. Stress-strain behaviour. Bulk modulus and shear modulus. Plane stress and plane strain. Transformation of axes and the Mohr circle. Principal stresses. Strain energy. Case studies in stress. Bending, shear and torsional stresses in beams. Stress trajectories. Effects of plasticity. Deflection analysis. Buckling of struts. Factors of safety.

**CVEN2005 Mechanics of Fluids**

A continuation course on fluid flow from a physical viewpoint. Review of fluid properties. Fluid statics. Kinematics of fluid flow. Continuity equation. Stream function - Two-dimensional-incompressible. Rotational and irrotational motion. Circulation. Equations of irrotational motion. Dynamics of fluids. Force, energy and momentum. Effects of pressure, weight, viscosity, turbulence and compressibility. Dynamic similitude. Boundary layers, surface drag, form drag. Turbo-machinery.

**CVEN2002 Surveying**

Survey instruments and their use in plane surveying. Base line measurements, triangulation, calculation and adjustment of traverses. Contouring and topographic survey. Hydrographic surveys. Circular transition and vertical curves. Cross-section and earthwork quantities. Tacheometry, subtense measurement, electronic distance measurement.

**CVEN2003 Building Construction**

Fundamentals of building construction for domestic, industrial and commercial buildings. Site preparation, foundations, ground and suspended floors, roofs, walls, stairs. Construction materials, timber, concrete, structural steelwork, dampness, fire protection, finishes. Water supply, drainage, sewage disposal, heating and ventilation, insulation, condensation, energy use. Site organisation, plant and equipment, temporary works.

**CVEN2001 Introduction to Biosystems**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Chemical and Civil Engineering students)*

Definitive properties and levels of organisation of living systems. Chemical composition of living systems. Cell metabolism. Origin of life-metabolic evolution. Diversity of life forms. Animal and plant tissues and organs. Physiological systems. Protists. Nutrient requirements of organisms. Populations, communities and ecosystems. Biogeochemical cycles. Emergence of man. Impact of man on the biosphere. Social implications of recent advances in biology.

**CVEN2007 Computer Applications in Civil Engineering**

Programming in Visual Basic/Visual Fortran. Data Acquisition systems. Using spreadsheets. Database systems and Geographical Information Systems. Programming in C++.

**CVEN2004 Engineering Materials I**

Timber: structure, strength and durability, manufactured products. Cements: manufacture, types, uses, hydration process. Aggregates. Concrete: structural properties, durability. New and emerging engineering materials. Soils: origin, description/classification. Mass, volume and basic relationships. Microstructure of clayey materials. Site investigation. stress/strain behaviour, total and effective stress.

**MEEN2006 Engineering Materials II**

Introduction to Materials, their classification and selection. Fundamentals of material structure and properties. Mechanical properties and their measurement. Introduction to failure mechanisms, ductile and brittle failure, creep and fatigue. Introduction to iron and steel, carbon in steel, the iron/iron carbide phase diagram, types and properties of steels. Welding, the heat affected zone, weldability and weld defects. Non-destructive examination, principles and methods. Corrosion. Surface treatment.

**MATH2600 Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Change of basic matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification. Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables. Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric, Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**CVEN2020 Year's Work**

*Engineering Laboratory.* An integrated course of laboratory experiments designed to illustrate the fundamental principles dealt with in lectures and the fundamental principles of engineering measurement.

*Graphics and Design.* Development of computer-aided drafting skills. Specific topics: working units and co-ordinate systems; seed files, cells and reference files; menus, dialogue boxes, drawing tools and controls; input and output systems; elements - attributes, association, groups; complex and multiline elements; element manipulation and modification; levels; auto-dimensioning; patterning and rendering. Introduction to 3-D modelling.

*Engineering Project.* Students will be required to carry out a minor project on a selected aspect of civil engineering or a related topic, involving a literature search, experimentation, analysis or design. A written report will be submitted and a verbal presentation made.

**THIRD YEAR**

There are no lectures in the third term of Third Year to facilitate industrial placements or study periods in other universities. Examinations will take place after the second term.

**CVEN3004 Theory of Structures**

Structural forms. Role of the modern structural engineer. Manual vs computer aided design/analysis. Behaviour resistance of structural sections from zero load to collapse for steel, concrete and timber. Analysis for stress resultants of statically determinate structures. Virtual work theorems. Deformation analysis of frameworks. Stiffness and flexibility formulation for statically indeterminate planar structures. Influence lines. Simple plastic theory. Introduction to buckling and dynamics. Laboratory experiments designed to illustrate the principles of structural analysis and the properties of materials.

**CVEN3005 Design of Structures**

Codes of practice. Building regulations. Actions on structures including wind load. Design resistance. Load factors. Steel: Steel as a structural material and its use in building. Design of steel beams, girders, trusses, stanchions and simple frames. Design of steel connections. Concrete: Reinforced concrete as a structural material. Design of beams and slabs, columns and column bases and simple statically indeterminate structures. Retaining walls. Timber: Timber as a structural material. Introduction to the design of timber structures.

**CVEN3001 Hydraulics**

Calculation and design for pressure conduits and open channels. Hydraulics of pressure conduits, flow in pipe networks, unsteady flow in pipes. Hydraulic machines including pumps and turbines. Non-uniform flow in open channels; critical depth and hydraulic jump; control sections and transitions in open channels. Groundwater hydraulics of wells, drains and ditches. Elementary physical hydrology: The hydrological cycle and water balances; precipitation; evaporation and transpiration; infiltration and percolation; groundwater storage and outflow; surface runoff.

A course of laboratory experiments illustrating the principles of flow in pressure conduits and open channels. Problems related to the subject matter of the lectures.

**CVEN3002 Engineering Economy**

Approach to economics. Normative and positive statements. The concept of a market. Supply and demand in a perfect market. Theory of production. Theory of costs. Behaviour of the firm in perfect and imperfect markets. Basic project evaluation. Measures of a stream of regular cash flows. Aspects of welfare economics. Evaluation of projects with risk and uncertainty. Management techniques, queueing theory and linear programming. Economics of environment and pollution controls.

**CVEN3003 Soil Mechanics**

Soil mechanics problems and their solution. Mass, volume and basic relationships. Stresses in soils. Stress-strain behaviour. Shear strength of cohesive and cohesionless soils. Total and effective stresses. Excess pore water pressure. Steady state flow and permeability. Earth pressure and earth retaining structures. Bearing pressures and bearing capacity of foundations. Transient pore water pressure and deformation. Settlement of foundations. Soil compaction. Laboratory testing.

**CVEN3020 Year's Work**

Analytical, design and laboratory exercises complementary to the lecture programme in hydraulics, soil mechanics and structures; practical work in computation and CAD.

**MAPH3034 Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MATH3613 Mathematics [LT-FS-CV or CofV]**

Laplace transform (LT). Heavyside-step and Dirac-Delta functions, convolution, solutions of differential equation, engineering examples.

Fourier series (FS). Hilbert spaces, partial differential equations (wave and heat), engineering applications.

Introduction to theory of functions of a complex variable (CV). Cauchy-Riemann equations. Harmonic functions. Conformal mappings. Cauchy integral formulae.

**MATH3614 Mathematics (Integral Calculus)**

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stokes' theorem. Applications.

**MAPH3024 Mathematical Physics (Differential Equations)**

Ordinary differential equations. Isoclines. Linear systems of first order. Phase plane. Singular points. First order p.d.e. How they arise. Sketching characteristics. Solutions. Second order p.d.e. How they arise. The Cauchy problem. Characteristics. Difference schemes for Laplace. Wave and diffusion equations. Motivation for different initial or boundary value problems. Properties of solutions.

**GEOL3611 Geology**

The course provides a general introduction to (a) Geology and geological processes, (b) the application of Geology to Civil Engineering, (c) the methodology for geologically-based site investigation and (d) Engineering Geology problems and geotechnical solutions. Lectures deal with mineralogy, rock types, tectonics, weathering processing and geomorphology, hydrology and engineering geology (geological aspects of site investigation, slopes, foundations, dams/reservoirs and tunnels). Laboratory-based practical classes deal with mineral and rock identification and map work. Two field classes examine the geological and engineering aspects of Killiney and Bray Head.

<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>
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**CVEN4001 Civil Engineering Design**

- (a) *Preliminary Design of Structures*  
Qualitative structural behaviour and load paths. Choice of structural material. Preliminary sizing of reinforced concrete members.
- (b) *Engineering Materials*  
Elasticity. Stress and strain tensors. Stress function. Plane stress and plane strain problems. Inelastic behaviour. Yield criteria. Plasticity. Viscoplasticity. Viscoelasticity. Composites. Polymers and ceramics. Engineering uses. Fatigue life. Brittle and ductile fracture. Properties of cements, aggregates and concrete. Specification and testing of concrete specimens and products. Design of concrete mixes. Placing of concrete. Highway materials (see under (g)).
- (c) *Civil Engineering Systems*  
General systems. Planning and design as conceptual systems. Physical planning and civil engineering systems. Goals and objectives. Projecting the system. Models, networks and continua. Simulation and optimisation. Implementation and evaluation.
- (d) *Design of Structures*  
Elastic and elastic-plastic structural analysis & plastic moment redistribution. Prestressed concrete. Analysis and design of slabs. Columns and interaction diagrams. Masonry design. Structural steel design. Composite construction.
- (e) *Design in Soils Engineering*  
Site investigation. Harmful constituents in soils. Bearing capacity and deformation of granular and cohesive soils. Shallow and deep foundations. Piles in granular and cohesive soils. Settlement of piled foundations. Pile testing. Earth retaining structures. Sheet piled walls. Reinforced earth. Geotextiles. Stability of highway embankments and cuttings. Case histories. Laboratory testing.
- (f) *Design of Water Resource Systems*  
Elements of applied hydrology. Water quantity requirements for domestic and industrial uses. Water sources and their development. Quality of natural waters. Quality standards for potable and industrial water supplies. Water purification processes. Water distribution. Design of sewer systems. Purification of domestic and industrial wastes. Control of water pollution. Atmospheric pollution. Refuse disposal.
- (g) *Design in Highway Engineering*  
Properties of bitumens and aggregates. Standard tests for bitumens and aggregates. Specification, testing and quality control of highway materials. Improvement of material properties by the use of compaction and stabilisation. Bituminous mix design.

- (g) *Design in Highway Engineering (Contd.)*  
Design of flexible and rigid pavements. Highway surface design and skidding. Pavement management techniques. Geometric design of roads and junctions. Use of scheduling techniques, CPM and PERT, in highway construction and planning. Fundamentals of traffic flow and gap acceptance. Speed measurements and distributions. Determination of levels of service and route capacity. Environmental impact assessment.

**CVEN4002 The Engineer and Society**

- (a) *Engineering Law*  
Contract law. The promoter-engineer-contractor relationship. The engineer's responsibilities as agent and as arbitrator. The contract form.
- (b) *Professional Practice*  
Civil engineering procedure. Various forms of contract. Contract documents, drawings, specifications, bills of quantities, schedules. Sources and presentation of technical information. Report writing. Learned societies and professional bodies.
- (c) *Entrepreneurship*  
History of industrial relations. Trade union organisation and structure. Collective bargaining. The Labour Court. Industrial disputes. Industrial democracy. Industrial psychology.
- (d) *Urban and Regional Planning*  
Law, administration, infrastructure, architecture, landscape design, conservation.

**CE.4.03 Engineering Report**

Each student must submit a report containing the results of a special project involving experimentation or analysis or design.

**CVEN4021 Course Work**

Each student is required to complete a set of civil engineering design assignments.

**ELECTIVE SUBJECTS:**

**CVEN4003 Structural Modelling**

Approximate methods of analysis using vector and energy approaches. Stiffness formulation. Finite Element analysis. Elastic Plastic Response. Dynamic response. Buckling analysis. Structural Forms - rings, arches, vaults, grillages, plates. Application of computer software.

**CVEN4004 Structural Design**

Sources and assessment of structural loading. Design criteria. Selection and control of materials and workmanship. Comparison of elastic and plastic design. Limit state design in reinforced concrete, structural steelwork and timber. Structural masonry. Structural steel and reinforced concrete frameworks and continua. Applications of prestressed concrete and composite steel/concrete construction. Design of timber structures. Design for fire.

**CVEN4005 Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering**

Introduction to critical state soil mechanics. Pre-yield behaviour of soils. Yielding. Soil models. Characteristic soil parameter values. Partial safety factors and Eurocode 7. Shallow foundations. Raft foundations. Piled/raft foundations. Pile design/construction in Ireland. Ground improvement. Settlement of structures. Structural tolerance to movement. Recent developments in retaining wall analysis and design. Tunnels and tunnelling. Soil nailing.

**CVEN4006 Transportation Operations and Planning**

Nature of transportation problem. Characteristics of demand and of transport systems. Steps in transportation planning process, generation, distribution, model choice and assignment models. Models to describe behaviour of road links, junctions, bottlenecks and public transport systems. Safety and environmental problems resulting from transportation. Parking characteristics, parking and road solutions for Irish towns. Land use, location and transportation. Development control aspects of transportation.

**CVEN4010 Hydraulic Engineering Design**

Hydrologic design. Dam ancillary works. Stormwater drainage design. River engineering. Pumping station design. Coastal engineering.

**CVEN4008 Unit Treatment Processes in Water Engineering**

Water chemistry, biology and analysis. Principles of sedimentation, flotation, filtration, aeration, flocculation, water softening, demineralisation. Biological processes. Design of water and wastewater treatment processes.

**MATH4601 Mathematics**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4602 Mathematics**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Circuit Theory 1	EEEN2003
Electromagnetics 1	EEEN2004
Electronic Circuits 1	EEEN2005
Electrotechnics	EEEN2006
Solid State Electronics 1	EEEN2002
Applied Dynamics	MEEN2001
Computer Engineering 1	EEEN2001
Mathematics	MATH2600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH2605
Year's Work	EEEN2020

\*This subject has a laboratory component in addition to the lecture course.

**THIRD YEAR**

Circuit Theory 2	EEEN3005
Electronic Circuits 2	EEEN3006
Electrical Machines 1	EEEN3004
Linear Systems Analysis	EEEN3009
Control Theory 1	EEEN3010
Communication Theory 1	EEEN3007

**THIRD YEAR (Contd.)**

Electromagnetics 2	EEEN3008
Solid State Electronics 2	EEEN3003
Computer Engineering 2	EEEN3002
Power Systems 1	EEEN3001
Engineering Computation	MAPH3014
Mathematics (Module B)	MATH3602
Mathematics (Module C)	MATH3603
Mathematical Physics (Module D)	MAPH3024
Year's Work	EEEN3020

**FOURTH YEAR**

Electronic Circuits 3	EEEN4001
Control Systems	EEEN4002
Optoelectronics and Filters	EEEN4003
Digital Signal Processing	EEEN4004
Electrical Machines 2	ELEN4001
Power Systems 2	ELEN4002
High Voltage Engineering	ELEN4003
Power Electronics	ELEN4004

*Electives:* (At least **four** of the following to be chosen from the permitted combinations with the approval of the Head of Department)

Electrical Machines 3	ELEN4006
Semiconductor Devices and Applications	EEEN4007
Biomedical Engineering	EEEN4005
Circuit Synthesis	EEEN4006
Renewable Energy Systems	ELEN4005
Power Electronic Systems	ELEN4007
Dielectric and Magnetic Materials	EEEN4009
Optoelectronics	EEEN4008
Power Systems 3	ELEN4008
Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis	EEEN4011
Non-Linear Circuits and Systems	EEEN4010
Applications of Digital Signal Processing	EEEN4012
Thermodynamics	MEEN4026
Mathematics 2	MATH4602
Mathematics 3	MATH4603
Management and its Environment	BMGT4001
Year's Work	ELEN4020

**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Course descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**EEEN2003 Circuit Theory 1**

Elementary network theory. Theory of two-port networks. Electric transients. Alternating current theory with complex number analysis.

**EEEN2004 Electromagnetics 1**

Coulomb's law, Gauss' law. Electric potential. Energy and forces in the electric field. Magnetic field. Electromagnetic induction. Energy and forces in the magnetic field.

**EEEN2005 Electronic Circuits 1**

Modelling, DC analysis and small-signal analysis. The pn-junction as a circuit element; rectification and power supplies. Models of the bipolar junction transistor, JFET and MOSFET. Large- and small-signal applications of BJTs and FETs: combinational logic, single-stage amplifiers, frequency response.

**EEEN2006 Electrotechnics**

Errors and standards; D.C. and A.C. meters; potentiometers; D.C. and A.C. bridges; oscilloscopes; electronic instruments; transducers; energy method for force calculations in electric and magnetic fields; magnetic circuits, single-loop and coupled circuits; self and mutual inductance; transformers and basic principles of three-phase systems.

**EEEN2002 Solid State Electronics 1**

Introductory Quantum Mechanics. Energy levels and energy bands for solids. Fermi-Dirac statistics and Fermi level. Conduction in metals. Intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors. Conductivity and mobility of carriers. Excess carriers; minority and majority conduction, lifetime and diffusion. Semiconductor junctions, including introduction to bipolar transistors, FETs and other devices.

**MEEN2001 Applied Dynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Electronic and Electrical, and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Three-dimensional force systems: resultants and equilibrium. Topics in friction. Particle kinematics. Plane kinematics of rigid bodies. Plane kinetics of rigid bodies: force and acceleration; impulse and momentum; work and energy. Vibration, free and forced. Central force motion

**EEEN2001 Computer Engineering 1**

- (a) *The C Programming Language*  
Types, operators and expressions. Input/output. Functions and flow of control. Arrays and strings. Dynamic storage allocation. Structures.
- (b) *Software Engineering*  
Program design language. Structured programming. Data abstraction.
- (c) *Algorithms and Data Structures*  
Linked lists. Pushdown stacks. Queues. Trees.
- (d) *Digital Electronics*  
Boolean algebra. Combinatorial logic and the Karnaugh map. Flip-flops and digital memory. Introduction to synchronous design.

**MATH2600 Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Change of basic matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification. Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables. Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric, Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**EXPH2605 Experimental Physics**

Three lectures a week during Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity terms. Properties of materials. The kinetic theory of gases. Heat and thermodynamics. Low temperature physics. Electron physics. X-ray diffraction. Atomic and nuclear physics. Introduction to wave mechanics. Introduction to solid state physics.

*Laboratory:* Measurements of the physical quantities discussed in the course of lectures.

**EEEN2020 Year's Work**

The material presented in courses EEEN2001 to EEEN2006 is supplemented by laboratory classes and tutorials in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. These classes constitute the subject *Year's Work*.

<b>THIRD YEAR</b>
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**EEEN3005 Circuit Theory 2**

Further treatment of two-port networks, including the scattering matrix. Modified nodal analysis. Elements of network topology. Transient and steady state circuit analysis using the Laplace transform. Sinusoidal steady state and transient analysis of transmission lines.

**EEEN3006 Electronic Circuits 2**

Single- and two-transistor stages. Current mirrors and active loads. Output stages. Operational amplifiers; linear and non-linear operational amplifier applications. Frequency response. Power electronics. Introduction to data converters.

**EEEN3004 Electrical Machines 1**

Introduction to ideal magnetic circuits. Elementary treatment of eddy currents, hysteresis and magnetic saturation in magnetic circuits. Development of an electrical equivalent circuit for the single phase transformer. Analysis of losses, efficiency and regulation in circuits containing transformers. Fundamental operation of dc machines leading to the development of an electrical equivalent circuit and analysis of dc machines in various circuit configurations. Idealised treatment of distributed windings and calculation of flux distributions and inductances. Rotating fields in three phase machines. Operation of synchronous machines and development of elementary equivalent circuit. Introduction to analysis of machine operation when connected to power systems. Fundamental operating mechanism of the 3-phase induction motor and the development of the electrical equivalent circuit leading to the elementary determination of the terminal characteristics of the induction motor.

**EEEN3009 Linear Systems Analysis**

Linear systems. Hilbert spaces. Fourier series. Fourier transform. Frequency domain. Convolution. Autocorrelation and crosscorrelation for finite energy and finite power signals in time and frequency domain. Laplace transform. Transfer function. Partial fraction expansion inversion procedure. Sampling. The sampling theorem. Practical sampling and reconstruction. Discrete systems. Z transform.

**EEEN3010 Control Theory 1**

Basic principles of feedback control systems. Transfer functions and their manipulation. Ziegler-Nichols rule for tuning P, PI and PID controllers. The Smith Predictor for systems with time delay. The root locus method. The Routh stability criterion.

**EEEN3010 Control Theory 1 (Contd.)**

Frequency response, leading to the Nyquist criterion and the use of Bode diagrams for identification of transfer functions. Integral performance measures and their evaluation using the Liapunov matrix equation.

**EEEN3007 Communication Theory 1**

Introduction to communication systems, signals and channels. Amplitude and angle modulation. Pulse modulation. Digital transmission. Noise and its effects on these systems.

**EEEN3008 Electromagnetics 2**

Maxwell's equations; Solutions for Maxwell's equations in insulating and conducting media; The Poynting vector; Boundary phenomena; Propagation in ionised gases; Guided propagation; The rectangular waveguide.

**EEEN3003 Solid State Electronics 2**

Further treatment of PN-junctions, bipolar and FET transistors, including non-idealities, switching behaviour, static, small- and large-signal models. Transistor structures for power, high frequency and integrated circuit applications. Main bipolar and MOS logic families. Introduction to compound semiconductors, quantum devices and heterostructures.

**EEEN3002 Computer Engineering 2**

(a) *Algorithms, Data Structures, And Introduction to Object-Oriented Design*

Recursion. Divide-and-conquer algorithms. Sorting Algorithms. Analysis of algorithms and O-notation. Introduction to Object-Oriented Design.

(b) *Computer Architectures*

Introduction to assembly language. Basic computer architecture. Instruction word formats. Addressing modes. Structure of basic RISC and CISC processors. Interrupts. Serial communications - synchronous and asynchronous. Microcontrollers and peripherals.

**EEEN3001 Power Systems 1**

Function and characteristics of interconnected power systems. Power, reactive power, complex power. Per unit system. Three phase systems. Synchronous machine steady state model. Power transformer model. Capacitance and inductance of three phase lines and effect of transposition and bundling. Line models. Steady state stability limit. Surge impedance loading. Formulation and solution of power flow equations for a multibus system. Symmetrical fault analysis. The method of symmetrical components. Unsymmetrical fault analysis.

**MAPH3014 Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MATH3602 Mathematics (Module B - Integral Calculus)**

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stoke's theorem. Applications.

**MATH3603 Mathematics (Module C - Complex Variables)**

Topics in advanced complex variable theory.

**MAPH3024 Mathematical Physics (Module D - Differential Equations)**

Ordinary differential equations. Isoclines. Linear systems of first order. Phase plane. Singular points. First order p.d.e. How they arise. Sketching characteristics. Solutions. Second order p.d.e. How they arise. The Cauchy problem. Characteristics. Difference schemes for Laplace. Wave and diffusion equations. Motivation for different initial or boundary value problems. Properties of solutions.

**EEEN3020 Year's Work**

The material presented in courses EEEN3001 to EEEN3010 is supplemented by laboratory classes in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and in the computer solution of engineering problems.

**FOURTH YEAR**

**EEEN4001 Electronic Circuits 3**

Principles of feedback including formal two-port analysis and example feedback circuits. Stability of feedback amplifiers, dominant pole and pole-zero compensation. Oscillators: Barkhausen criterion, control of amplitude with large signal gain, general oscillator configuration, crystal oscillator and Wien bridge oscillator. Active filters: Sallen-Key, MFB, state-variable and bi-quad. Phase locked loop, analysis of transient and steady state response. Analogue signal processing circuits: instrumentation amplifiers, chopper stabilised amplifiers, analogue multipliers, V-F and F-V converters. Noise: sources of noise, Johnson noise, Shot noise, available noise power. Noise modelled by voltage and current source ( $e_n$  &  $i_{in}$ ) at input, equivalent input noise for BJT and differential amplifier.

**EEEN4002 Control Systems**

Modern control theory; state space; observability, controllability and stability; eigenvalue assignment, linear optimal control. Digital control theory: basic principles; discretisation schemes; sample period selection; deadbeat control; observers; stability.

**EEEN4003 Optoelectronics and Filters**

Introduction to optoelectronics; LEDs, lasers, photodetectors.

Analogue filters: transfer functions; approximation problem; realisation of normalised lowpass filters; scaling and transformations; design procedure. Digital filters.

**EEEN4004 Digital Signal Processing**

Discrete Fourier Transform. Fast Fourier Transform. Discrete convolution. Discrete-time linear systems. FIR and IIR digital filters. Finite arithmetic effects.

**ELEN4001 Electrical Machines 2**

Magnetic circuits. Effects of eddy currents and hysteresis. Permanent magnets. 1 Phase and 3 Phase power transformers. D.C. commutator machines. Distributed windings. Rotating fields. Induction machine. Synchronous machine.

**ELEN4002 Power Systems 2**

Power system operation: load forecasting, unit commitment, economic dispatch, spinning reserve, security, environmental considerations. Power system control: automatic voltage regulation, models of exciter and generator, automatic load frequency control, automatic generator control, models of speed governor, hydraulics, turbo generator and hydro generator. Transient stability: single generator case, equal area criterion, transient analysis of large system.

**ELEN4003 High Voltage Engineering**

The special properties of high voltages and high current and the problems that these pose for the design of high-voltage equipment will be considered. Travelling waves on transmission lines and in cables and the effects of lightning and switching transients on power systems will be considered. Insulation co-ordination, generation and testing and new measurement methods will also be treated.

**ELEN4004 Power Electronics**

Power Electronic devices. Line commutated converters. Power factor and harmonic generated in bridge rectifiers. D.C. Motor drives. Chopper circuits. 1 phase and 3 phase inverters. Induction motor variable speed drives.

*Elective Subjects:* At least **four** and not more than **five** of the following subjects must be chosen from permitted combinations with the approval of the Head of the Department.

**ELEN4006 Electrical Machines 3**

Analysis and synthesis of magnetic systems. Numerical solutions of magnetic field problems. Calculation of force by Maxwell stress and energy models. Transient model of induction machine. Effects of harmonics on operation of induction machine. Transient performance of synchronous machine. Switched reluctance motors.

**EEEN4007 Semiconductor Devices and Applications**

Microwave devices and their applications, including IMPATT and Gunn diodes, Bipolar, MESFET, HBT and HEMT transistors. Power FETs. Main semiconductor fabrication processes. Integrated circuits, including structures of main bipolar and MOS families. Charge-coupled devices including main applications.

**EEEN4005 Biomedical Engineering**

This course is intended to serve as an introduction to some of the many ways in which the fields of engineering and medicine interact. Topics covered will include the principles of biomedical apparatus and the application of engineering analysis to the functioning of various physiological systems.

**EEEN4006 Circuit Synthesis**

Modern realisability theory of passive linear networks, synthesis techniques - advanced topics in filter design.

**ELEN4005 Renewable Energy Systems**

Aspects of renewable energy systems (e.g. windpower, hydropower, wavepower, photovoltaic conversion, direct solar heating, biomass, hydrogen as an energy vector, introduction to economic analysis).

**ELEN4007 Power Electronic Systems**

Characteristics of electric drives. Principles and implementation of adjustable speed induction motor drives and synchronous motor drives. Principles and implementation of HVDC transmission. Principles of load compensation. Reactive compensation requirements for unbalanced loads. Principles and implementation of controllable reactive compensators using thyristor controlled reactors and thyristor switched capacitors.

**EEEN4009 Dielectric and Magnetic Materials**

The course will cover the response of dielectric and magnetic materials to d.c. and a.c. electric fields; energy absorption in dielectrics, Cole-Cole diagrams, resonance processes. Ferroelectric, ferromagnetic, ferrite materials and their applications will also be discussed.

**EEEN4008 Optoelectronics**

Role of optics. Optical fibres. Semiconductor sources. Detectors. Fibre systems and components; design and testing. Multiplexing options. Atmospheric links. Integrated optics. Photonics and data storage. Coherent optical communication systems. Optoelectronic sensors. Lasers in industry.

**ELEN4008 Power Systems 3**

Synchronous machine under fault conditions. Symmetrical fault analysis of large power systems. Sequence impedance networks for the synchronous machine, transformer and transmission line. Sequence networks for different fault types. Application to unsymmetrical fault calculations. Unsymmetrical fault analysis of large power systems. Circuit breakers. Fuses. Discrimination and co-ordination. Current transformers. Voltage transformers. Protection relays. Protection of transformers, overhead lines, cables, rotating machines and busbars.

**EEEN4011 Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis**

Review of nonlinear circuit theory; formulation of circuit equations; solution of linear systems of equations; dc solution of nonlinear circuits; transient solution of nonlinear circuits; advanced topics in circuit simulation.

**EEEN4010 Non-Linear Circuits and Systems**

Theory of nonlinear circuits and systems in continuous and discrete time: circuit elements; driving-point and transfer characteristics; state equations; linearisation; steady-state behaviour; stability; bifurcations; chaos.

**EEEN4012 Applications of Digital Signal Processing**

Digital filter design; Butterworth and Chebyshev filters; impulse invariance techniques; the bilinear transformation; computer-automated techniques and algorithms; spectral analysis, periodogram; speech processing; models for speech signals; short-time Fourier analysis; linear predictive coding; fundamentals of digital image processing; two dimensional Fourier transform; discrete cosine transform; image compression; DSP implementation issues; DSP chip architectures; adaptive filters and signal modelling; Wiener (stochastic) filtering; LMS algorithm. A total of up to 20% of marks may be awarded for course work carried out prior to the examination.

**MEEN4026 Thermodynamics**

Thermodynamics systems and control volumes. Concept of equilibrium, quasi-static processes, thermodynamic cycles. Specific heats, internal energy, enthalpy, entropy. Properties of water and steam (steam tables), ideal gases. Work, heat and the first law of thermodynamics (energy equation). Second law of thermodynamics, carnot cycle. Entropy, isentropic processes. Effects of irreversibility. Rankine cycles, air standard cycles, refrigeration and heat pump cycles. Combustion of hydrocarbon fuels: Stoichiometry.

**MATH4602 Mathematics 2**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4603 Mathematics 3**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**BMGT4001 Management and its Environment**

The Irish economy, its institutions and international relationships. The firm and its environment. Organisational objectives and corporate behaviour. Economic concepts. Market structure and the competitive process. Demand analysis. Forms of organisation, private and public bodies. Management, its nature and functions - Planning, organising, directing, controlling. Financial management. Presentation and analysis of financial statements. Forecasting. Working capital. Capital budgeting. Financial institutions. Marketing management. Market research. Product life cycle. Product mix. Marketing mix. Operations management. Concept of a system. System design, planning and control. Personnel management. Industrial relations. Trade unions. Collective bargaining.

**ELEN4020 Year's Work**

In addition to a major experimental project, laboratory classes are held in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. Students are required to submit a substantial report on their project.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
ENGINEERING (ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING)**

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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Circuit Theory 1	EEEN2003
Electromagnetics 1	EEEN2004
Electronic Circuits 1	EEEN2005
Electrotechnics	EEEN2006
Solid State Electronics 1	EEEN2002
Applied Dynamics	MEEN2001
Computer Engineering 1	EEEN2001
Mathematics	MATH2600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH2605
Year's Work	EEEN2020

\* This subject has a laboratory component in addition to the lecture course.

**THIRD YEAR**

Circuit Theory 2	EEEN3003
Electronic Circuits 2	EEEN3006
Electrical Machines 1	EEEN3004
Linear Systems Analysis	EEEN3009
Control Theory 1	EEEN3010
Communication Theory 1	EEEN3007

**THIRD YEAR (Contd.)**

Electromagnetics 2	EEEN3008
Solid State Electronics 2	EEEN3003
Computer Engineering 2	EEEN3002
Power Systems 1	EEEN3001
Engineering Computation	MAPH3014
Mathematics (Module B)	MATH3602
Mathematics (Module C)	MATH3603
Mathematical Physics (Module D)	MAPH3024
Year's Work	EEEN3020

**FOURTH YEAR**

Electronic Circuits 3	EEEN4001
Control Systems	EEEN4002
Optoelectronics and Filters	EEEN4003
Digital Signal Processing	EEEN4004
Antennas and Propagation	ECEN4001
Communication Theory 2	ECEN4002
Digital Electronics	ECEN4003
RF Circuits and Systems	ECEN4004

*Electives:* (At least **four** of the following to be chosen from the permitted combinations with the approval of the Head of Department)

Microwave Engineering	ECEN4007
Advanced Communication Theory	ECEN4006
Semiconductor Devices and Applications	EEEN4007
Biomedical Engineering	EEEN4005
Circuit Synthesis	EEEN4006
Communication Systems	ECEN4005
Dielectric and Magnetic Materials	EEEN4009
Optoelectronics	EEEN4008
Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis	EEEN4011
Non-Linear Circuits and Systems	EEEN4010
Applications of Digital Signal Processing	EEEN4012
Mathematics 2	MATH4602
Mathematics 3	MATH4603
Management and its Environment	BMGT4001
Hardware/Software Co-Design	COMP4623
Year's Work	ECEN4020

**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Courses descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**EEEN2003 Circuit Theory 1**

Elementary network theory. Theory of two-port networks. Electric transients. Alternating current theory with complex number analysis.

**EEEN2004 Electromagnetics 1**

Coulomb's law, Gauss' law. Electric potential. Energy and forces in the electric field. Magnetic field. Electromagnetic induction. Energy and forces in the magnetic field.

**EEEN2005 Electronic Circuits 1**

Modelling, DC analysis and small-signal analysis. The pn-junction as a circuit element; rectification and power supplies. Models of the bipolar junction transistor, JFET and MOSFET. Large- and small-signal applications of BJTs and FETs: combinational logic, single-stage amplifiers, frequency response.

**EEEN2006 Electrotechnics**

Errors and standards; D.C. and A.C. meters; potentiometers; D.C. and A.C. bridges; oscilloscopes; electronic instruments; transducers; energy method for force calculations in electric and magnetic fields; magnetic circuits, single-loop and coupled circuits; self and mutual inductance; transformers and basic principles of three-phase systems.

**EEEN2002 Solid State Electronics 1**

Introductory Quantum Mechanics. Energy levels and energy bands for solids. Fermi-Dirac statistics and Fermi level. Conduction in metals. Intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors. Conductivity and mobility of carriers. Excess carriers; minority and majority conduction, lifetime and diffusion. Semiconductor junctions, including introduction to bipolar transistors, FETS and other devices.

**MEEN2001 Applied Dynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Electronic and Electrical, and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Three-dimensional force systems: resultants and equilibrium. Topics in friction. Particle kinematics. Plane kinematics of rigid bodies. Plane kinetics of rigid bodies: force and acceleration; impulse and momentum; work and energy. Vibration, free and forced. Central force motion.

**EEEN2001 Computer Engineering 1**

- (a) *The C Programming Language*  
Types, operators and expressions. Input/output. Functions and flow of control. Arrays and strings. Dynamic storage allocation. Structures.
- (b) *Software Engineering*  
Program design language. Structured programming. Data abstraction.
- (c) *Algorithms and Data Structures*  
Linked lists. Pushdown stacks. Queues. Trees.
- (d) *Digital Electronics*  
Boolean algebra. Combinatorial logic and the Karnaugh map. Flip-flops and digital memory. Introduction to synchronous design.

**MATH2600 Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Change of basic matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification. Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables. Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric, Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**EXPH2605 Experimental Physics**

Three lectures a week during Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity terms. Properties of materials. The kinetic theory of gases. Heat and thermodynamics. Low temperature physics. Electron physics. X-ray diffraction. Atomic and nuclear physics. Introduction to wave mechanics. Introduction to solid state physics.

*Laboratory:* Measurements of the physical quantities discussed in the course of lectures.

**EEEN2020 Year's Work**

The material presented in courses EEEE2001 to EEEE2006 is supplemented by laboratory classes and tutorials in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. These classes constitute the subject *Year's Work*.

<b>THIRD YEAR</b>
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**EEEN3005 Circuit Theory 2**

Further treatment of two-port networks, including the scattering matrix. Modified nodal analysis. Elements of network topology. Transient and steady state circuit analysis using the Laplace transform. Sinusoidal steady state and transient analysis of transmission lines.

**EEEN3006 Electronic Circuits 2**

Single- and two-transistor stages. Current mirrors and active loads. Output stages. Operational amplifiers; linear and non-linear operational amplifier applications. Frequency response. Power electronics. Introduction to data converters.

**EEEN3004 Electrical Machines 1**

Introduction to ideal magnetic circuits. Elementary treatment of eddy currents, hysteresis and magnetic saturation in magnetic circuits. Development of an electrical equivalent circuit for the single phase transformer. Analysis of losses, efficiency and regulation in circuits containing transformers. Fundamental operation of dc machines leading to the development of an electrical equivalent circuit and analysis of dc machines in various circuit configurations. Idealised treatment of distributed windings and calculation of flux distributions and inductances. Rotating fields in three phase machines. Operation of synchronous machines and development of elementary equivalent circuit. Introduction to analysis of machine operation when connected to power systems. Fundamental operating mechanism of the 3-phase induction motor and the development of the electrical equivalent circuit leading to the elementary determination of the terminal characteristics of the induction motor.

**EEEN3009 Linear Systems Analysis**

Linear systems. Hilbert spaces. Fourier series. Fourier transform. Frequency domain. Convolution. Autocorrelation and crosscorrelation for finite energy and finite power signals in time and frequency domain. Laplace transform. Transfer function. Partial fraction expansion inversion procedure. Sampling. The sampling theorem. Practical sampling and reconstruction. Discrete systems. Z transform.

**EEEN3010 Control Theory 1**

Basic principles of feedback control systems. Transfer functions and their manipulation. Ziegler-Nichols rule for tuning P, PI and PID controllers. The Smith Predictor for systems with time delay. The root locus method. The Routh stability criterion.

**EEEN3010 Control Theory 1 (Contd.)**

Frequency response, leading to the Nyquist criterion and the use of Bode diagrams for identification of transfer functions. Integral performance measures and their evaluation using the Liapunov matrix equation.

**EEEN3007 Communication Theory 1**

Introduction to communication systems, signals and channels. Amplitude and angle modulation. Pulse modulation. Digital transmission. Noise and its effects on these systems.

**EEEN3008 Electromagnetics 2**

Maxwell's equations. Solutions for Maxwell's equations in insulating and conducting media. The Poynting vector. Boundary phenomena. Propagation in ionised gases. Guided propagation. The rectangular waveguide.

**EEEN3003 Solid State Electronics 2**

Further treatment of PN-junctions, bipolar and FET transistors, including non-idealities, switching behaviour, static, small- and large-signal models. Transistor structures for power, high frequency and integrated circuit applications. Main bipolar and MOS logic families. Introduction to compound semiconductors, quantum devices heterostructures.

**EEEN3002 Computer Engineering 2**

- (a) *Algorithms, Data Structures, and Introduction to Object-Oriented Design*  
Recursion. Divide-and-conquer Algorithms. Sorting Algorithms. Analysis of algorithms and O-notation. Introduction to Object-Oriented Design.
- (b) *Computer Architectures*  
Introduction to assembly language. Basic computer architecture. Instruction word formats. Addressing modes. Structure of basic RISC and CISC processors. Interrupts. Serial communications - synchronous and asynchronous. Microcontrollers and peripherals.

**EEEN3001 Power Systems 1**

Function and characteristics of interconnected power systems. Power, reactive power, complex power. Per unit system. Three phase systems. Synchronous machine steady state model. Power transformer model. Capacitance and inductance of three phase lines and effect of transposition and bundling. Line models. Steady state stability limit. Surge impedance loading. Formulation and solution of power flow equations for a multibus system. Symmetrical fault analysis. The method of symmetrical components. Unsymmetrical fault analysis.

**MAPH3014 Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MATH3602 Mathematics (Module B - Integral Calculus)**

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stoke's theorem. Applications.

**MATH3603 Mathematics (Module C - Complex Variables)**

Topics in advanced complex variable theory.

**MAPH3024 Mathematical Physics (Module D - Differential Equations)**

Ordinary differential equations. Isoclines. Linear systems of first order. Phase plane. Singular points. First order p.d.e. How they arise. Sketching characteristics. Solutions. Second order p.d.e. How they arise. The Cauchy problem. Characteristics. Difference schemes for Laplace. Wave and diffusion equations. Motivation for different initial or boundary value problems. Properties of solutions.

**EEEN3020 Year's Work**

The material presented in courses EEEN3001 to EEEN3010 is supplemented by laboratory classes in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and in the computer solution of engineering problems. These classes constitute the subject *Year's Work*.

**FOURTH YEAR**

**EEEN4001 Electronic Circuits 3**

Principles of feedback including formal two-port analysis and example feedback circuits. Stability of feedback amplifiers, dominant pole and pole-zero compensation. Oscillators: Barkhausen criterion, control of amplitude with large signal gain, general oscillator configuration, crystal oscillator and Wien bridge oscillator. Active filters: Sallen-Key, MFB, state-variable and bi-quad. Phase locked loop, analysis of transient and steady state response. Analogue signal processing circuits: instrumentation amplifiers, chopper stabilised amplifiers, analogue multipliers, V-F and F-V converters. Noise: sources of noise, Johnson noise, Shot noise, available noise power. Noise modelled by voltage and current source ( $e_n$  &  $i_n$ ) at input, equivalent input noise for BJT and differential amplifier.

**EEEN4002 Control Systems**

Modern control theory; state space; observability, controllability and stability; eigenvalue assignment, linear optimal control. Digital control theory: basic principles; discretisation schemes; sample period selection; deadbeat control; observers; stability.

**EEEN4003 Optoelectronics and Filters**

Introduction to optoelectronics; LEDs, lasers, photodetectors.

Analogue filters: transfer functions; approximation problem; realisation of normalised lowpass filters; scaling and transformations; design procedure. Digital filters.

**EEEN4004 Digital Signal Processing**

Discrete Fourier Transform. Fast Fourier Transform. Discrete convolution. Discrete-time linear systems. FIR and IIR digital filters. Finite arithmetic effects.

**ECEN4001 Antennas and Propagation**

Principles of antennae for use from the low frequency to the microwave region of the spectrum, and the factors influencing radio wave propagation in the same range.

**ECEN4002 Communication Theory 2**

Further treatment of analogue and PCM communications. Principles of digital transmission. Random signal theory. Detection of signals in noise. Decision theory. Introduction to information theory.

**ECEN4003 Digital Electronics**

Logic Families-switching characteristics, noise margins, power dissipation. IC design methodologies and circuit layout. Clocking Schemes and dynamic logic. ASIC design-PLAs, standard cell, gate array, FPGA, full custom. Introduction to VHDL. Combinational logic design. Synchronous and asynchronous sequential logic systems.

**ECEN4004 RF Circuits and Systems**

Radio-frequency electronic circuits and the building blocks of electronic communication systems. Transmission lines. Noise. High-frequency active devices and circuit design. Frequency generators. Radio transmitters and receivers. Modulators and demodulators.

*Elective Subjects:* At least **four**, and not more than **five**, of the following subjects must be chosen from permitted combinations, with the approval of the Head of the Department.

**ECEN4007 Microwave Engineering**

Further treatment of coaxial lines and waveguides; attenuation analysis; cavity resonators; microstrip lines; design and fabrication of hybrid and monolithic MICs; filters and couplers; theory of ferrites with microwave applications; survey of thermionic and solid-state microwave sources and devices; the scattering matrix; computer methods; microwave measurements and selected microwave system applications.

**ECEN4006 Advanced Communication Theory**

Further information theory. Channel coding. Bandpass signals and systems. Bandpass transmission. Digital modulation methods. Carrier and symbol synchronisation. Channel characterisation and equalisation.

**EEEN4007 Semiconductor Devices and Applications**

Microwave devices and their applications, including IMPATT and Gunn diodes, Bipolar, MESFET, HBT and HEMT transistors. Power FETs. Main semiconductor fabrication processes. Integrated circuits, including structures of main bipolar and MOS families. Charge-coupled devices including main applications.

**EEEN4005 Biomedical Engineering**

This course is intended to serve as an introduction to some of the many ways in which the fields of engineering and medicine interact. Topics covered will include the principles of biomedical apparatus and the application of engineering analysis to the functioning of various physiological systems.

**EEEN4006 Circuit Synthesis**

Modern realisability theory of passive linear networks, synthesis techniques - advanced topics in filter design.

**ECEN4005 Communication Systems**

Topics include: Telecommunication networks, switching and transmission systems. Computer networks, structure and protocols. Introduction to queueing theory.

**EEEN4009 Dielectric and Magnetic Materials**

The course will cover the response of dielectric and magnetic materials to d.c. and a.c. electric fields; energy absorption in dielectrics, Cole-Cole diagrams, resonance processes. Ferroelectric, ferromagnetic, ferrite materials and their applications will also be discussed.

**EEEN4008 Optoelectronics**

Role of optics. Optical fibres. Semiconductor sources. Detectors. Fibre systems and components; design and testing. Multiplexing options. Atmospheric links. Integrated optics. Photonics and data storage. Coherent optical communication systems. Optoelectronic sensors. Lasers in industry.

**EEEN4011 Computer-Aided Circuit Analysis**

Review of nonlinear circuit theory; formulation of circuit equations; solution of linear systems of equations; dc solution of nonlinear circuits; transient solution of nonlinear circuits; advanced topics in circuit simulation.

**EEEN4010 Non-Linear Circuits and Systems**

Theory of nonlinear circuits and systems in continuous and discrete time: circuits elements; driving-point and transfer characteristics; state equations; linearisation; steady-state behaviour; stability; bifurcations; chaos.

**EEEN4012 Applications of Digital Signal Processing**

Digital filter design; Butterworth and Chebyshev filters; impulse invariance techniques; the bilinear transformation; computer-automated techniques and algorithms; spectral analysis, periodogram; speech processing; models for speech signals; short-time Fourier analysis; linear predictive coding; fundamentals of digital image processing; two dimensional Fourier transform; discrete cosine transform; image compression; DSP implementation issues; DSP chip architectures; adaptive filters and signal modelling; Wiener (stochastic) filtering; LMS algorithm. A total of up to 20% of marks may be awarded for course work carried out prior to the examination.

**MATH4602 Mathematics 2**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4603 Mathematics 3**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**BMGT4001 Management and its Environment**

The Irish economy, its institutions and international relationships. The firm and its environment. Organisational objectives and corporate behaviour. Economic concepts. Market structure and the competitive process. Demand analysis. Forms of organisation, private and public bodies. Management, its nature and functions - Planning, organising, directing, controlling. Financial management. Presentation and analysis of financial statements. Forecasting. Working capital. Capital budgeting. Financial institutions. Marketing management. Market research. Product life cycle. Product mix. Marketing mix. Operations management. Concept of a system. System design, planning and control. Personnel management. Industrial relations. Trade unions. Collective bargaining.

**COMP4023 Hardware/Software Co-Design**

Hardware/software co-design models and architectures; hardware languages; target architectures; compilation techniques and tools for embedded systems; design specification; prototyping and emulation.

**ECEN4020 Year's Work**

In addition to a major experimental project, laboratory classes are held in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. Students are required to submit a substantial report on their project.

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**SUMMARY OF COURSES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
ENGINEERING (MECHANICAL ENGINEERING)**

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**FIRST YEAR**

First year is a common year for all first year Engineering students. The courses are as follows:

Mathematics	MATH1600
Experimental Physics*	EXPH1603
Chemistry*	CHEM1604
Mathematical Physics	MAPH1014
Computer Science*	COMP1604
Engineering Graphics*	CVEN1001
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN1001
Engineering Fluid Mechanics	CVEN1003
Engineering Thermodynamics	MEEN1003
Introduction to Engineering	ENGF1001
Languages	ENGF1002

\* These subjects have a laboratory or other practical component in addition to the lecture course.

**SECOND YEAR**

Applied Dynamics	MEEN2001
Mechanics of Materials	MEEN2002
Thermodynamics	MEEN2003
Manufacturing Engineering	MEEN2004
Materials Science and Engineering	MEEN2005
Engineering Measurement	MEEN2006
Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer	MEEN2007
Computer Science	COMP2605
Electrical Engineering	EEEN2026
Electronic Engineering	EEEN2025
Experimental Physics	EXPH2606
Mathematics	MATH2600
Year's Work in Mechanical Engineering	MEEN2020
Year's Work in Electronic and Electrical Engineering	EEEN2028

**THIRD YEAR**

Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics	MEEN3001
Applied Dynamics and Control Systems	MEEN3002
Stress Analysis in Design	MEEN3003
Engineering Materials	MEEN3005
Design and Production	MEEN3004
Electrical Engineering	EEEN3026
Electronic Engineering	EEEN3025
Engineering Computation	MAPH3014
Computer Methods in Engineering	MEEN3006
Mathematics	MATH3601
Mathematics	MATH3602
Mathematical Physics	MAPH3024
Management Accounting and Finance	ACC3020
Course Work	MEEN3020

**FOURTH YEAR**

Energy Conversion Systems	MEEN4001
Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer	MEEN4002
Applied Dynamics and Control Systems	MEEN4003
Materials Engineering and Design	MEEN4005
Managing Manufacturing Enterprise	MEEN4004
Computer Aided Engineering	MEEN4006
Electrical Engineering	EEEN4013
Electronic Engineering	EEEN4014
Mathematics	MATH4601/2
The Engineer in Society: The Economy	ECON4011
Course Work	MEEN4020

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**FIRST YEAR**

(Common to all Departments). Courses descriptions are given on pages 17-20.

**SECOND YEAR**

**MEEN2003 Thermodynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students)*

First Law of Thermodynamics; Control system analysis; control volume analysis; steady-state, steady-flow energy equation. Second Law of Thermodynamics; Work and heat; quality of energy; reversible and irreversible processes; Carnot cycle; absolute temperature scale; definition of entropy; Clausius inequality; derivation of T-ds relations. Analysis of thermodynamic cycles; Rankine, Vapour Compression, Brayton-Joule, Otto, Diesel Cycles.

**MEEN2006 Engineering Measurement**

Generalised instrument configuration. Instrument input-output characteristics; modifying and interfering inputs. Static characteristics. Calibration. Uncertainty analysis. Statistical analysis of experimental data. Dynamic characteristics. Experimental and laboratory practice. Fundamentals of engineering metrology. Measurement of; temperature, pressure, flow, strain, torque, displacement, surface topography. Data acquisition and transducers.

**MEEN2001 Applied Dynamics**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Electronic and Electrical, and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Three-dimensional force systems: resultants and equilibrium. Topics in friction. Particle kinematics. Plane kinematics of rigid bodies. Plane kinetics of rigid bodies: force and acceleration; impulse and momentum; work and energy. Vibration, free and forced. Central force motion.

**MEEN2002 Mechanics of Materials**

*(For Agricultural and Food, Chemical and Mechanical Engineering students)*

One dimensional stress and strain. Biaxial stress. Principal stresses and strains in 2-D. Hookes Law. Strain gauges. Thin-walled pressure vessels. Torsion of circular shafts. Bending stresses and deflections. Buckling of slender bars.

**MEEN2004 Manufacturing Engineering**

Introduction to manufacturing. Primary and secondary processing of metals. Casting and forming processes. Joining of metals. Machining of metals. Theory and economics of metal cutting. Machine tools. Gear manufacturing. Grinding. Cutting tool materials. Tool life. Non-traditional machining processes. Numerical control and computer numerical control of machine tools. Programming for CNC. Economics of production. Group technology. Flexible manufacturing systems. Introduction to metrology. Measurement of small linear displacement. Measurement of small angular displacement. Surface metrology. Economic analysis of engineering investments, discounted cash flows, net present value, equivalent maintenance costs, obsolescence, life-cycle costs and risk. Methods engineering, time standards and productivity improvement in engineering operations. Costing systems, cost reduction and control, and profit optimisation in manufacturing.

**MEEN2005 Materials Science and Engineering**

Introduction to engineering materials and properties, using plain-carbon steel as a model material. Thermodynamics of Materials. Crystallography. Phase transformations. Phase diagrams and microstructure. Mechanical properties. Failure mechanisms.

**MEEN2007 Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer**

Fluid properties; Newton's law of viscosity; steady and unsteady flow; Compressible and incompressible flow. System Analysis: general motion of fluid particles; acceleration of fluid particles; conservation laws. Control Volume Analysis: continuity equation; momentum equation; applications to include impinging jet on flat plate and curved vanes, flow in bends and nozzles; energy equation; head loss and loss factors Bernoulli's equation: derivation and application to pipe and nozzle flow.

Introduction to Conduction, Convection and Radiation Heat Transfer. One-dimensional steady state heat conduction; the plane wall, the cylinder. Thermal resistance, thermal contact resistance, thermal resistance networks, parallel and series networks. U value, the composite wall, the composite cylinder. Insulation: Properties, R value, critical insulation thickness. Heat Exchangers: Types, cocurrent and countercurrent flow, temperature profiles, overall heat transfer coefficient, mean temperature difference, fouling.

**EEEN2026 Electrical Engineering**

*Circuit Theory:* Elementary network theory. Introduction to electrical transients. Elementary alternating current theory.

**EEEN2025 Electronic Engineering**

Electrical materials. PN junction diode. Zener diode. Rectification. Regulation. Field-effect and bipolar junction transistors. Electronic switch. Common source and common emitter amplifiers. AC equivalent circuits. Input and output resistance. Ideal and non-ideal amplifiers. Frequency response.

**COMP2605 Computer Science**

Advanced C programming, data abstraction, modular program design, object-oriented programming, introduction to C++; software engineering, requirements analysis, design and implementation, testing and maintenance. Software systems: operating systems, inter-process communication, UNIX programming, introduction to compilers.

**MATH2600 Mathematics**

*Unit 1.* Vector spaces, basis and dimension. Linear transformations and matrices. Change of basis matrices. Reflection and rotation matrices. Orthogonal and perspective projections. Further theory of determinants. Row, column and determinantal rank of matrices and their equivalence. Nullity. Systems of equations. Eliminants. Resultants. Sylvester's determinantal criterion for two polynomials to have a common root. Discriminants. Further properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

*Unit 2.* Symmetric bilinear forms. Quadratic forms. Positive definiteness. Inner products. Orthonormal bases. Gram-Schmidt process. Diagonalizability of matrices. Preservation of characteristic polynomial. Eigenvalues determinant and trace under similarity. Principal axis theorem. Classification of quadratic forms. Simultaneous reduction of a pair of forms, one being positive definite.

*Unit 3.* Functions of two or more variables. Graphs, contours, continuity. Partial derivatives. Linear approximation. Tangent planes and normals to surfaces. Differentiability, gradient, directional derivative, grad, div and curl. Laplacian. Taylor's theorem for functions of two or more variables. Critical points and their classification.

Hessian matrix. Lagrange multipliers. Line integrals, introduction to double integrals and Green's theorem.

*Unit 4.* Counting procedures. Probability spaces. Events, conditional events, independent events. Bayes' theorem. Random variables. Density and distribution functions. Mean and variance. Basic discrete and continuous distributions: Uniform, binomial, geometric, Poisson, exponential and normal. Random samples. Confidence intervals. Chi-square distribution. Student's *t*-distribution. Use of tables. Hypothesis testing. Engineering examples.

**EXPH2606 Experimental Physics**

Thermal radiation, theory and application. Photons. Light as waves and particles. Quantisation of energy and momentum in atoms. Demonstration of quantised energy levels. Wavelike properties of particles. Wave mechanics and the Schrodinger equation. Time independent wave equation and applications. The one electron atom. Radiation and energy transitions. Atoms in magnetic fields. Anomalous Zeeman effect. Electron spin. Many electron atoms. Pauli exclusion principle. Emission and absorption.

Course Work: Measurement of physical quantities studied in the lectures.

**MEEN2020 Year's Work in Mechanical Engineering**

Drawing and Design: Engineering drawing, free-hand sketching, CAD, design assignments. Laboratory practical work and tutorials associated with courses in Applied Dynamics, Mechanics of Materials, Thermodynamics, Manufacturing Engineering, Materials Science and Engineering, Engineering Measurement, Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer.

**EEEN2028 Year's Work in Electronic and Electrical Engineering**

Laboratory practical work and tutorials associated with courses in Electronic and Electrical Engineering.

**THIRD YEAR**

**MEEN3001 Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students).*

Refrigeration and heat pumps. Inequality of Clausius. Entropy. Reversibility and availability. Second Law efficiency. Rankine cycles. Air standard cycles. Fundamentals of aircraft propulsion. Mixtures of gases. Psychrometry. Combustion.

Incompressible and compressible external flow. Compressible internal flow. Normal shock waves. Nozzle characteristics.

**MEEN3002 Applied Dynamics and Control Systems**

Vibration analysis of lumped parameter systems with one and two degrees of freedom. Two and three dimensional motion of rigid bodies with respect to rotating axes. Computer analysis of mechanisms. Balancing of reciprocating masses.

System modelling. Transfer functions. System simulation. System identification. Transient response of systems. State space representation and analysis. Frequency response. Feedback and closed loop control. Stability and stability criteria. Root locus method. System compensation.

**MEEN3003 Stress Analysis in Design**

Three dimensional stress and strain. Failure criteria. Introduction to finite element analysis. Stress concentrations. Introduction to linear elastic fracture mechanics. Energy methods. Torsion of non-circular sections. Thick-walled pressure vessels. Bending of flat plates.

**MEEN3005 Engineering Materials**

Alloy and tool steels. Stainless steels and heat resisting alloys. Cast irons. Copper and its alloys. Aluminium, magnesium and titanium alloys. Lead, tin and zinc alloys. Superalloys. Powder metallurgy. Metal matrix composites. Glasses, refractories and ceramics. Ceramic matrix composites. Timber. Structure of polymers. Mechanical properties of polymers. Creep and viscoelastic behaviour. Yield and fracture of polymers. Fatigue of polymers.

**MEEN3004 Design and Production**

The design process. Design methodology. Partial and total design. Application of mechanics of materials to design of machines and structures. Design of bolted, welded, riveted joints. Factors affecting fatigue life. Cumulative damage. Design for fatigue. Design of shafts and clamped components for fatigue applications. Gear design. Continuous system modelling. Simulation as a design method. Advanced Continuous Simulation Language (ACSL). Structure of models. System representation with block diagrams. Design of dynamic systems with worked examples. Design assignment. Integration methods. Input/output devices, interpretation of results. Runtime control. Production systems. Project management. Critical path analysis. Resource and cost control. PERT.

**EEEN3026 Electrical Engineering**

Phasor analysis of 1 circuits. Circuit theorems. Three phase circuits, calculation and measurement of power and VARS in 1 phase and 3 phase circuits, power factor correction, magnetic circuits, development of equivalent circuit for 1 phase transformer, analysis of circuits with transformers, practical aspects of installation and use of transformers, 3 phase transformer connections, development of equations for the DC machine, operating characteristics of DC motors and generators, commutation, armature reaction, starting and protection of DC machines, 3 phase windings, synchronous machine, development of load-chart for synchronous generator, use of load-chart for analysis, synchronisation of 3 phase alternators, development of equivalent circuit for 3 phase induction motor, use of equivalent circuit for analysis, wound rotor and cage induction motors, electrical power system protection and safety.

**EEEN3025 Electronic Engineering**

DC stabilisation of single-stage amplifiers, multi-stage amplifiers, frequency response, Class A and Class B power amplifiers, introduction to feedback, oscillators, single-tuned amplifiers, Class C tuned power amplifiers, RF heating, amplitude modulation and demodulation, carrier fed strain gauge systems, synchronous demodulation, FET. Source follower, astable, mono-stable and bistable circuits. Schmitt trigger.

**MAPH3014 Engineering Computation**

Error analysis, numerical solution of algebraic and transcendental equations, matrix inversion, determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical differentiation and integration, application of finite difference methods to ordinary and partial differential equations, interpolation and sampled data and finite element techniques. Non-linear optimisation.

**MEEN3006 Computer Methods in Engineering**

*(For Agricultural and Food and Mechanical Engineering students)*

Application of high level programming languages to mathematical modelling. Programming of numerical analysis algorithms. Interpretation of experimental data: curve fitting, statistical analysis. Validation of numerical models.

**MATH3601 Mathematics [LT-FS-CV or CofV] (1 unit)\***

Laplace transform (LT). Heavyside-step and Dirac-Delta functions, convolution, solutions of differential equation, engineering examples.

Fourier series (FS). Hilbert spaces, partial differential equations (wave and heat), engineering applications. Introduction to calculus of variations (CofV). *OR*

Introduction to theory of functions of a complex variable (CV). Cauchy-Riemann equations. Harmonic functions. Conformal mappings. Cauchy integral formulae.

**MATH3602 Mathematics (Integral Calculus)**

Further advanced calculus. Scalar and vector fields over curves and surfaces. Grad, div and curl. Change of variable. Curvilinear coordinates. Integration over domains, curves and surfaces. Divergence theorem. Stoke's theorem. Applications.

**MAPH3024 Mathematical Physics (Differential Equations)**

Ordinary differential equations. Isoclines. Linear systems of first order. Phase plane. Singular points. First order p.d.e. How they arise. Sketching characteristics. Solutions. Second order p.d.e. How they arise. The Cauchy problem. Characteristics. Difference schemes for Laplace. Wave and diffusion equations. Motivation for different initial or boundary value problems. Properties of solutions.

\* 1 unit = 25 lecture hours.

**ACC3020 Management Accounting and Finance**

Fundamentals of management accounting. Purpose of management accounting. Cost terms and purposes. Cost allocation and absorption. Product costing - Job cost, contract costing and process costing. Budgeting, responsibility, accounting and motivation. Capital budgeting techniques. Decision-making: Cost-volume-profit relationships. Relevant costs and the contribution approach to decisions. Financial analysis: Review of financial statements (balance sheet, profit and loss account, statement of sources and uses of funds). Accounting conventions; statements of standard accounting practice: Ratio analysis; financial ill-health (through trading losses, overtrading etc.); capital structure.

**MEEN3020 Course Work**

Course work includes extensive testing of internal combustion, refrigeration, steam and other thermodynamic plant. Advanced manufacturing technology associated with engineering design including cutting tool dynamometry, CNC machining centre programming. Computer aided design and drafting. Testing of metallic and non-metallic materials, engineering metallurgy and non-destructive testing of parts. Introduction of photo-elastic stress evaluation, brittle lacquer techniques, strain gauging. Evaluation of noise, vibration and complex stress patterns. Introduction to tribology, friction and wear.

<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>
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**MEEN4001 Energy Conversion Systems**

Introduction to internal combustion engines. Ideal i.c. engine cycles. Engine parameters, engine gas exchange processes. Two-Stroke engine scavenging. Thermodynamics of Combustion Processes: First Law for reacting systems, Adiabatic flame temperatures, Dissociation, Second Law for Reacting Systems. Combustion and pollutant formation processes in compression ignition and spark ignition engines. Exhaust after-treatment systems. Electronic engine control. Supercharging and exhaust gas turbocharging.

Compressible flow in ducts and nozzles. Fundamentals of rocket propulsion. Dimensional analysis. Similarity and modelling. Fluid flow in hydraulic machines. Application to pumps and turbines. Design considerations for compressible-flow turbomachines. Application to compressors and gas turbines. Component matching.

Second Law analysis. Energy and available energy accounting. Exergy. Energy degrading. Application to advanced cycles.

**MEEN4002 Fluid Mechanics and Heat Transfer**

Fundamentals of conduction, convection and radiation heat transfer. General heat conduction equation. Numerical solution of heat conduction problems. Fins and finned surfaces. Heat exchangers. Momentum and energy transport mechanisms. Thermal boundary layers.

Development of Navier-Stokes equations. Hydrodynamic theory of lubrication. Laminar and turbulent boundary layer theory. Turbulent flow. Fluid rotation, circulation and vorticity. Mixing length theories. Viscous and inviscid flow. Stream and potential functions. Drag, lift and propulsion. Dimensional analysis. Momentum, mass and heat transfer analogy.

**MEEN4003 Applied Dynamics and Control Systems**

Multi-dimensional discrete and continuous vibrating systems. Orthogonality properties of normal modes. Rayleigh Quotient and Rayleigh-Ritz Method. Lagrange equations. Angular momentum equations in three dimensions. Random vibrations, spectral analysis. Sampled data control systems. Modern control theory.

**MEEN4005 Materials Engineering and Design**

Creep and fatigue of metals. Corrosion and wear. Fracture toughness testing. Quality assurance. Plastic deformation of metals: theory of metal forming. Design of forming equipment. Near net shape manufacture. Processing of polymers. Non-destructive testing and failure analysis: metals and polymers. Adhesives. Polymer matrix composites. Design with plastics. Product liability. Case studies in materials selection.

**MEEN4004 Managing Manufacturing Enterprise**

Management functions and objectives. The competitive and changing manufacturing environment. Types of production. Influence of automation. Production and operations management. Materials control. Production and inventory control. Group technology. Just-in-time. Forecasting principles and methodology. Material requirements planning. Environmental issues. Quality assurance. Total quality management. ISO 9000 quality systems. Safety in the workplace. Safety regulations.

Product life cycle. Product development. Prototyping. Concurrent engineering. Marketing engineering products. Enterprise. New venture research. Planning and early growth management.

Contract law: The promoter-engineer-contractor relationship. The engineer's responsibility as agent and arbitrator. The contract form.

**MEEN4006 Computer Aided Engineering**

Product and system design. Simultaneous engineering. Computer integrated manufacturing. Design for manufacture. Group technology. CAE/CAD/CAM applications. Solid, surface and wire frame modelling. Optimisation of mechanical design. Graphics exchange standards. Computer graphic workstations. Just-in-time and kanban methods. Flexible manufacturing systems and cells. Off-line CNC and robot programming. Communication networks and protocols. Machine systems engineering. Robot kinematics, dynamics and control. Drive systems. Programmable logic controllers.

**EEEN4013 Electrical Engineering**

More advanced treatment of EEEN3026 as appropriate. Variable speed machines, motor drives, machine enclosures, motor braking schemes, circuit breakers. Thyristors and applications.

**EEEN4014 Electronic Engineering**

Operational amplifiers, computers, measurement of non-electrical quantities, frequency modulation and demodulation, transducers and associated systems, digital circuits and system.

**Mathematics (1 unit)**

**MATH4601 Mathematics (1 unit)**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**MATH4602 Mathematics (1 unit)**

A series of lectures on selected topics in Mathematics. Topics will be declared at the beginning of each academic year.

**ECON4011 The Engineer in Society: The Economy**

Recent Irish economic history. Population and the labour market. Industrial and trade policies. Finance for development. External economic relations. Macroeconomic policy.

**MEEN4020 Course Work**

Course work includes exercises in computer aided drafting, design and finite element analysis; programming of CNC machining centres; advanced techniques of photo-elastic, brittle lacquer and strain gauge stress analysis; fracture mechanics; vibration and control exercises; data logging and introduction to techniques of data collection and condition monitoring; testing of internal combustion engines and evaluation of results; tests on heat transfer and fluid mechanics rigs and experimental evaluation of water turbines and pumps; tests on tribology rigs.

Project work involves specialisation, on an individual basis, at some depth in one area of the above formal experimental work or in such areas as detailed design of equipment, development of foundry, pattern shop or machine shop technology, for which facilities are available, non-destructive testing including X-ray and gamma ray inspection techniques etc.

Students will carry out individual projects on a self-contained subject, or as an independent member of a team on an integrated subject having several clearly distinguished areas of interest. The project will involve a survey of published literature or such other material as is available, followed by the design and construction of apparatus, experimental measurements and the preparation of a comprehensive report. Some projects will concentrate on design, while others may be more concerned with test and analysis of specific systems or rigs.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

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### PIERCE MALONE SCHOLARSHIP IN ENGINEERING

1. The Scholarship in Engineering will be awarded in connection with the BE Degree Examination in Civil Engineering.
  2. The examination will consist of an essay on any suitable topic in the Civil Engineering course and will be conducted by the extern examiner in Civil Engineering at each NUI constituent university in connection with the BE (Civil) Degree Examination held in Summer.
  3. The examination will be held within one month before the commencement of the Summer examination for the BE (Civil) Degree.
  - 4.\* Candidates must submit an entry form to the National University of Ireland.
  5. The Scholarship, or such special prize as may be awarded in lieu thereof, shall be awarded to the successful competitor in the examination. In the case where none of the students presenting themselves for the examination for the Scholarship shall have reached the standard of requirement for the Scholarship, it shall be open to the Senate, on the report of the examiner, either to recommend for a special prize any student whose answering, in the opinion of the examiner, may have reached such standard as to entitle him/her to such special prize or to award neither Scholarship nor prize.
  6. Candidates for the Pierce Malone Scholarship in Engineering must obtain the BE (Civil) Degree:
    - (i) Within the minimum number of terms after passing the Third University Examination in Engineering;
    - (ii) In the Summer of the year in which they enter for the Scholarship.
  7. Candidates, otherwise eligible, may compete for both the Bursary in Civil Engineering and the Pierce Malone Scholarship in Engineering but no candidate shall be eligible to receive both awards. Should a candidate be first in both competitions, he/she shall be free to select which prize he/she will accept.
- \* For date of examination and latest day for receiving entry forms, application should be made to the Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, after 1 January.

### **BURSARIES IN ENGINEERING**

The following Bursaries will be offered for competition in 2001:

One Bursary in Chemical Engineering;  
One Bursary in Civil Engineering;  
One Bursary in Electronic and Electrical Engineering.

Details are given below:

1. The Bursaries in Engineering will be tenable for one year. The value of the bursary will be set by the University.
2. The Bursary in each branch will be awarded on the results of an examination to be held within one month before the commencement of the BE Summer Examination.
3. Candidates must obtain the BE Degree with at least Second Class Honours, Grade I.
4. A candidate may not present for the Bursary in a particular branch of Engineering on more than *one* occasion. When a Bursary is offered for competition in a year in which a candidate is presenting for the BE Degree Examination, he/she may present for the Bursary in that year only. Otherwise a candidate may present for the Bursary only on the first subsequent occasion on which it is offered for competition in his/her branch of Engineering.
5. No Bursary shall be awarded unless, in the judgement of the examiners, sufficient merit has been shown.
6. Each Bursary shall be held upon the condition that the student shall:
  - (a) attend an approved postgraduate course in another university or similar institution; or
  - (b) engage in research in an approved laboratory; or
  - (c) become a trainee in an approved engineering office or works.Such postgraduate courses, research or training period shall be pursued outside Ireland in such place as may be approved by the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture of the student's University; provided that a student shall not obtain salary, wages or other allowance in respect of the period whilst he/she is holding the Bursary without prior approval from the University.
7. The successful candidate must furnish to the University, after six months, a report signed by the head of the university department, laboratory or engineering firm as to his/her progress and experience.
8. Entry forms and information on dates of examinations and on latest day for receiving entry forms may be obtained from the Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, after 1 January.

**POSTGRADUATE DEGREES**

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING**

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE**

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING DESIGN**

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING**

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE (TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT)**

**DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING (ME)**

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A candidate who is the holder of the Bachelor of Engineering Degree shall be eligible to obtain the Degree of Master of Engineering after the expiration of nine terms from the time at which the candidate obtained the BE Degree.

A candidate:

- (a) must pass the prescribed examination;
- (b) must present a dissertation; and
- (c) must present such evidence of professional experience as may be prescribed.

The following Regulations apply to the ME Degree:

1. Candidates for the Degree of ME must be accepted by the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture as prospective candidates at least six months before entering for the examination. They are required to give notice to the Dean of the Faculty before 15 January of the year in which they intend to present themselves for examination with particulars of the branch of study selected, title of the proposed dissertation and details of their professional experience.\*
2. They must pass a special examination in the special branch of Engineering selected by the candidate. The examination may be taken in Summer and the thesis submitted in Autumn. Exemption from the examination may be granted by the Faculty to a candidate who has obtained First Class Honours in the BE Degree, or who submits satisfactory evidence that he/she has been engaged on works of considerable importance.
3. The dissertation shall consist of a record (published or not) of original work, or of an essay on some branch of Engineering involving criticism. The candidate shall be examined on the subject-matter of his/her dissertation or on any matter intimately connected with it.
4. A candidate for the Degree shall have had professional experience of an approved character in a responsible capacity extending over a period of not less than three years. A detailed statement as to such experience vouched for by the Engineer or Engineers in charge must be submitted.

\* Candidates are reminded that they must also complete a University Entrance Form on or before the last date for entry as advertised by the University.

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE  
(MEngSc)**

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1. **Methods of Proceeding to the Degree**

The Degree of MEngSc may be obtained by thesis (Mode I) or by examination following a taught course (Mode II).

*Mode I*

A candidate must carry out a full-time research project for at least three terms under the direction of the supervisor appointed by the head of the department concerned. The thesis presented by the candidate is to embody the result of this research project. At least one examiner shall be an external examiner. A candidate may be required to pass a *viva voce* examination on the subject matter of the thesis if the examiners so decide.

*Mode II*

A candidate must attend, for at least three terms, a full-time postgraduate course approved by the Faculty and must pass a University examination on the subject matter of the course. A candidate may be required to submit a dissertation on a project undertaken as part of the course; this dissertation will form part of the material to be assessed by the examiners.

The Faculty must approve the syllabus of the course to be attended by a candidate proceeding under Mode II.

2. **Admission Procedure**

An applicant for admission as a candidate for the Degree of MEngSc by Mode I or by Mode II shall submit an application on a prescribed form to the head of the department in which the applicant wishes to study. If the head of the department is satisfied as to the applicant's general suitability to undertake an MEngSc programme, the department shall forward the candidate's application to the Dean for consideration by the Faculty. Candidates for the Degree of MEngSc must obtain permission of the Faculty before entering on the programme.

3. **Entry Standards**

A candidate must qualify for entry by meeting the requirements of one of the sections 3.1, 3.2 or 3.3 below.

3.1 By holding a primary degree in Engineering from the National University of Ireland with at least Second Class Honours, Grade II (2H2).

3.2 By holding a primary degree in Engineering or a related discipline with at least a Second Class Honours, Grade II award from a university or other third level institution, subject to the requirement that the Faculty *may* decide that the candidate must achieve a satisfactory performance in a qualifying examination or test whose form shall be decided by the Faculty on the advice of the head of the department in which the candidate intends to study.

3. **Entry Standards (Contd.)**

- (a) If a qualifying *examination* is appropriate, candidates will be required to spend one academic year studying (i) at least two courses of the fourth year core programme; and (ii) complete a project on a specified topic. The courses studied and project topic will be relevant to the proposed area of research.
- (b) If a qualifying *test* is appropriate, candidates will be required to complete an essay of *circa* 5,000 words on the topic of their proposed research. They will be given an oral examination on the essay and their proposed programme by the head of the department and a staff member who is familiar with the field of research.

Candidates must obtain a minimum of a Second Class Honours, Grade II in each paper and project of the qualifying examination or in the assessment of the essay for the qualifying test.

- 3.3 Where there is evidence of substantial professional experience in engineering or a related discipline, then the holder of (a) a pass degree or (b) chartered membership of a professional institution approved by the Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the department and with the permission of the Faculty, be admitted to the MEngSc programme on condition that the candidate *must* take a qualifying examination or a test as outlined in 3.2 above.

- 4. A candidate may, in exceptional circumstances, be permitted to pursue the practical work of the research project required under Mode I in an institution other than the University, provided that:
  - (i) The field of research and the institution in which the practical work is to be pursued are approved in advance by the Faculty;
  - (ii) The course of training in research is supervised directly by a member of the academic staff of the department in the University as if the work were being pursued totally within the University.
- 5. A candidate will not be permitted to attend courses for any other university degree or diploma whilst in attendance at the MEngSc Degree programme.
- 6. An applicant may have to satisfy an English language requirement before registration.

7. **Registration**

A candidate by Mode I or Mode II shall register on or before the date of commencement of the period of study and shall re-register annually (if appropriate) at the prescribed times until the studies are completed. Candidates in the category described by Section 3.2 (a) shall register first as 'qualifying students for the Degree of MEngSc' and, after satisfying the required entry conditions, they will register for the Degree of MEngSc by Mode I or Mode II.

Candidates must pay the appropriate fees at the specified times.

**Mode II MEngSc Programmes**

The School of Engineering offers Mode II MEngSc Degree programmes as follows:

*Food Engineering  
MEngSc Subjects:*

AFFD P001 Introduction to Food Engineering  
AFFD P002 Food Process Engineering  
AFFD P003 Food Product Development  
AFFD P004 Food Process Development  
AFFD P006 Advanced Food Process Engineering  
AFFD P005 Sensors in Food Process Automation  
AFFD P007 Advances in Food Engineering Research  
AFFD P008 Project

*Water & Environmental Engineering  
MEngSc Subjects:*

CVWE P001 Unit Treatment Processes  
CVWE P002 Sanitary Engineering Hydraulics  
CVWE P003 Engineering Hydrology  
CVWE P005 Water Resource Systems Analysis  
“ “ Water Quality Modelling  
CVWE P004 Applied Chemistry & Microbiology  
CVWE P006 Environmental Management  
“ “ Environmental Engineering  
CVWE P007 Practical Work  
CVWE P008 Project  
Computer Methods

*Transportation Engineering  
MEngSc Subjects:*

Transportation Planning and Policy  
Transportation Operations and Design  
Highway Design, Construction and Materials  
Accident Analysis and Road Safety  
Environmental Assessment and Design  
Transport Economics  
Statistics and Operations Research  
Law and Administration  
Computer Applications  
Practical Assignments  
Project

*Structural Engineering  
MEngSc Subjects:*

Structural Design  
Structural Analysis  
Finite Element Methods  
Structural Mechanics  
Bridge Engineering  
Concrete Technology  
Foundation Engineering  
Fracture and Fatigue  
Computer Methods  
Practical Work  
Project

*Environmental Engineering MEngSc Subjects:*

Basic Environmental Science  
Policy, Law, Administration  
Treatment Processes for Waters and Wastewaters  
Treatment Processes for Gaseous Effluents  
Treatment and Disposal of Solid and Hazardous Wastes  
Hydrology and Water Quality Modelling  
Air Pollution Dispersion Modelling  
Hazard and Risk Assessment  
Environmental Audit and Environmental Impact Assessment  
Computer Methods  
Project

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## **DEGREE OF MASTER OF ENGINEERING DESIGN (MED)**

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### **Admission Requirements**

1. A candidate for the degree must obtain the permission of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture before entering the course. Application on the prescribed form which is obtainable from the School of Engineering must be made to the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture (before the second week of October). A candidate for admission must be an engineering graduate or must fulfil the conditions described in section 2 below.

A candidate for selection will be required to have had suitable industrial experience for a period of at least one year. Candidates who have obtained First Class Honours in the primary degree, or who have pursued a suitable postgraduate course, may be accepted without industrial experience, provided that adequate vacation training has been obtained.

Candidates will be interviewed in November. The number of entrants to the course shall be limited.

2. A suitable candidate who is not a university graduate, but who is a corporate member of the Institution of Engineers of Ireland, or of equivalent status in a similar professional engineering institution, may be recommended to the Faculty for admission to the course.

### **Course**

The course is a part-time course over two years and will consist of lectures, seminars, tutorials and project work. Project work will account for about 40 per cent of the course and a typed and bound thesis must be presented for examination. The course project and examination must be passed within nine terms from the commencement of studies unless special permission is granted by the Faculty with the agreement of the Head of Department.

### **Subjects**

The subjects will be chosen by students with the permission of the Professor from among the following:

#### **MHEDP001 Design Methodology and Practice**

Design as an engineering discipline. How to initiate design. Analytical and experimental support tools for design. Developing the concept. Mechanism modelling. Form modelling. O.E.M. supply sources. Use of standards. Quality assurance. Patents and patenting procedure. Legal responsibilities. Product liability claims. Value analysis. Cost in design and in product. Ergonomics. Aesthetics.

#### **MHEDP002 Computer Aided Design**

Product and system design. Computer integrated design and manufacture. Simultaneous engineering. Design for manufacture. Group technology. CAE/CAD/CAM applications. Solid, surface and wire frame modelling. Programmable graphics. Optimisation of mechanical design. Graphics exchange standards. Computer graphic workstations. Graphic devices and software. Knowledge-based engineering systems.

**MHEDP003 Design of Machine Elements**

Stress management and analysis. Machine element design, static and dynamic finite element modelling and applications, element shape functions, computer procedures, design with viscoelastic materials, impact absorption, design with anisotropic materials, properties of carbon fibre composites etc.

**MHEDP004 Materials Selection**

Cast irons. Carbon alloy steel products. Heat treatment of carbon alloy steels. Fabrication and service characteristics of carbon and alloy steels. Non ferrous metals. Heat treatment of non ferrous metals. Fabrication and service characteristics of non ferrous metals. Production processes for polymer materials, ceramics and coatings. Classification methods for metals, polymers and ceramics. Case studies in alternative materials selection and substitution of materials. Material selection by computer.

**MHEDP005 Production Systems, Design and Management**

Production standard data. Value engineering. Human factors in engineering design. Learning and progress functions. Motivation and industrial relations. Productivity agreements and controls. Plant and investment analysis. Inventory systems. Quality management. Plant engineering systems. Management and organisation. Design of a production system - case study.

**MHEDP006 Design of Automated Manufacturing Systems**

Types of manufacture: Continuous, batch, one-off. Manufacturing resource planning and control. Computer integrated manufacturing. Just-in-time and kanban methods. Flexible manufacturing systems and cells for metal cutting, welding, assembly etc. Off-line CNC and robot programming. Communication networks and protocols. Machine systems engineering. Robot kinematics, dynamics and control. Drive systems, actuators and sensors. Programmable logic controllers.

**MHEDP007 Microprocessor Applications**

Binary maths, logic, number systems and codes. Microcomputer components and architecture. Instruction sets and assembly language programming. Programme structure. Compilers and high level languages. Ports and input/output. Polling. Interrupt and direct memory access. Microcontrollers. Actuators. Practical exercises in microprocessor based data acquisition and control. Networks. Overview of application design and development.

**MHEDP008 Digital Electronics Design and Interfacing**

Boolean algebra. Combinational logic. Gates. Minimisation. Examples. Sequential logic elements. Synchronisation. Sequential logic system design. Registers, counters, multiplexers and other MSI components. Programmable logic devices. Circuit operation and types: transistors, TTL, CMOS. Practical circuit design issues: loading, timing, buses, line driving, noise sources and avoidance. Signal conditioning.

**MHEDP009 Tribology and Design Applications**

Fundamentals of tribology and surface texture interactions. Emphasis on design and energy aspects. Case studies and applications. Practical lubrication examples including Elastohydrodynamics. Application to design of machinery systems. Prototypes and Bearings.

**MHEDP010 Technology and Innovation Strategy**

Principles of economics, macroeconomics and social indicators, growth models, production functions, the technological factor, industrial policy, venture capital. The role of technology in economic growth, industrial innovation, industrial policy, and sectoral and inter-firm competition. Patenting, licensing and the finance of technology. Technology and skill change. Technology in higher education. Telecommunications. Technological forecasting and assessment. European programmes in science and technology.

**MHEDP011 Design of Internal Combustion Engines**

Study of internal combustion engine design issues - based on fundamentals of thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, heat transfer and combustion. Four-stroke spark-ignition and compression-ignition engine thermodynamics. Spark-ignition and compression-ignition combustion systems. Fluid flow in intake and exhaust systems. Turbocharging and supercharging. Exhaust emission control systems. Heat transfer in engine cooling systems. Engine-vehicle integration.

**MHEDP012 Design of Thermal Power Plant**

Thermodynamics of heat engines. First and Second Law analysis of cycles and systems. Equivalent Carnot cycles. Advanced cycles. Combustion systems. Turbomachinery. Flue gas emissions control systems. Auxiliary plant.

**MHEDP013 Micro-climate Management Design**

Specification of micro-climate. Fundamentals of heat transfer. Psychrometry. Analysis of heat gain calculation methods. Estimation of cooling load. Solar design. Passive cooling. Mechanical heating and cooling. First and Second Law analysis of climate manipulation systems. Energy auditing. Energy management.

**MHEDP014 Design of Building Energy Systems**

Study of building energy system design issues. Air conditioning systems. Air heating systems. Humidification and dehumidification systems. Air handling equipment. System integration. System control design.

**MHEDP015 Polymer Matrix Composite Materials: Performance and Design**

Fibres. Fibre-matrix interface. Elastic properties - classical laminate theory. Strength of unidirectional laminae. Strength of laminates. Structural component design. Case studies.

**MHEDP016 Manufacturing and Design with Engineering Polymers**

Extrusion process. Injection moulding. Blow moulding. Thermoforming process. Rotational moulding. Dies and moulds. Environmental aspects of plastics.

**MHEDP017 Design of Biomechanical Systems**

Introduction to anatomy and physiology. Biomaterials. Mechanics of hard tissue. Mechanics of soft tissue. Bio-viscoelastic solids. Joint mechanics. Bio-viscoelastic fluids. Design of implantable devices.

**MHEDP018 Design Project Work**

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING  
(MIE)**

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**Admission of Candidates**

1. A candidate for the degree must obtain the permission of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture before entering on the course. Application on the prescribed form which is obtainable from the School of Engineering must be made to the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture (before the third week of May). A candidate for admission must be an Engineering graduate of a recognised university, or must be an Architecture or Science graduate with suitable experience and the required standard of mathematics, or must fulfil the conditions described in Section 2 below. A candidate for selection will be required to have completed at least one year of suitable industrial experience.

Candidates will be interviewed in June to assess their suitability for the course. The number of entrants to the course shall be limited.

2. A suitable candidate, who is not a university graduate, but who is a corporate member of the Institution of Engineers of Ireland, or of equivalent status in a similar professional engineering institution, may be recommended to the Faculty for admission to the course.

**Part-time Course**

The course is a part-time course over two years. Attendance is required for at least six terms after admission and during attendance candidates cannot at the same time engage in any other course in the University.

Students must make arrangements with their employers for release for attendance on the afternoons on which the prescribed courses are held as set out in the timetable. Students are expected to undertake a minimum of two hours' study to each hour of class work.

The programme will be provided as a credit system to be taken by candidates over a period of two or more years. In order to obtain the Degree, candidates must attend an approved set of courses and pass the relevant university examinations. The courses and credits are shown below and the Degree will be awarded when the candidate has successfully attained a total of 18 credits.

Courses in Managerial Accounting, Business Finance, Human Resource Management, Industrial Psychology and Ergonomics, Marketing and Business Policy are provided by the Departments of Accountancy, Banking and Finance, Industrial Relations, Psychology, Marketing and Business Administration respectively.

**Full-time Course**

The course may be taken on a one year, full-time basis, in which case additional bridging studies may be required. Attendance is required for a minimum of three terms after admission. Examination requirements are identical with those of the part-time course.

**Subjects and Credits**

<i>Part A</i>		<i>Credits</i>
MHIEP001	Quality Assurance and Engineering Statistics	2
MHIEP002	Industrial Engineering	2
MHIEP003	Production and Operations Management	2
ACCP623	Managerial Accounting	1
HRMP618	Human Resource Management	1
PSYP500	Industrial Psychology and Ergonomics	1
<i>Part B</i>		
MHIEP007	System Analysis and Simulation	2
MHIEP009	Information Systems	2
MHIEP008	Industrial Systems	2
MHIEP010	Technology and Innovation Strategy	1
FINP626	Business Finance	1
BMGTP660	Marketing and Business Policy	1
Total:		18

Candidates will be required to pass university examinations in the following subjects:

*Spring*

Business Finance (Course FINP626)

*Summer*

Quality Assurance and Engineering Statistics (Course MHIEP001)  
Industrial Engineering (Course MHIEP002)  
Production and Operations Management (Course MHIEP003)  
Managerial Accounting (Course ACCP623)  
Human Resource Management (Course MIE.1.05)  
Industrial Psychology and Ergonomics (Course MIE.1.06)  
System Analysis and Simulation (Course MHIEP007)  
Information Systems (Course MHIEP009)  
Industrial Systems (Course MHIEP008)  
Technology and Innovation Strategy (Course MHIEP010)  
Marketing and Business Policy (Course BMGTP660)

Part-time students who wish to take Part B courses before Part A courses must have the permission of the head of the department.

Candidates for the degree are required to complete the course within four years of registration.

**MIE - PART A**

**MHIEP001 Quality Assurance and Engineering Statistics**

*Quality Assurance*

Quality management, application to design, suppliers and manufacture, costs; quality circles, manuals, ISO 9000. Control charts and sampling inspection, application of SQC plans, quality control systems design.

*Engineering Statistics*

Introduction to probability and statistics, binomial, Poisson, normal and other probability distributions, decision theory, significance tests estimation, regression and correlation, time series.

**MHIEP002 Industrial Engineering**

*Engineering Economic Analysis*

Plant investment analysis using DCF and other criteria, investment cost estimation; operations, improvement and replacement economics and cost analysis; obsolescence and inflation; leasing; risk analysis; sequential decisions; down-time, maintenance and other aspects of life-cycle cost analysis; large project analysis; utility, life-cycle cost analysis, multi-objective and statistical decision analysis, value of information; related economic concepts, advanced technology investment.

*Productivity Management*

Decision/design methodology, value engineering; work measurements, methods engineering, organisation and use of standard data; human factors, the work environment; job analysis and enrichment; training, learning curves, safety; workplace and production line design and management; plant layout, machine attendance work; machine, materials and payroll productivity controls, payment by results, productivity surveys, productivity agreements, implementation strategies; applications to indirect departments and services; managing productivity services.

**MHIEP003 Production and Operations Management**

*Production and Operations Planning and Control*

Operations management concepts; materials management, inventory systems, basestock system; forecasting principles and methods; aggregate planning and master scheduling; material requirements planning (MRP), capacity requirements planning (CRP); production activity control, scheduling, learning curves; project management; Just-In-Time production; Group Technology; case studies.

*Operations Analysis and Optimisation*

Classical optimisation techniques, search techniques, gradient methods, linear programming, non-linear programming, dynamic programming.

**ACCP623 Managerial Accounting**

Fundamentals of cost accounting; purpose of management accounting; cost terms and purposes. Cost-volume-profit relationships; product costing; job costing and process costing. Management control systems; budgeting and standard costing techniques; system design. Responsibility accounting and motivation; decision making. Relevant costs and the contribution approach to decisions; cost allocation and absorption. Decentralisation; performance evaluation and transfer pricing.

**HRMP618 Human Resource Management**

Human Resource Management and economics, manpower planning, recruitment and selection, career management - appraisal, development, redundancy, Human Resource Management and the law, safety at work, industrial relations. The role, functions and contribution of Human Resource Management to the achievement of the mission of the enterprise.

**PSYP500 Industrial Psychology and Ergonomics**

Concepts and methods of psychology, the psychology of the individual, selection and training for industry and commerce, the work group, organisational psychology and leadership, motivation at work, job satisfaction, communication, participation and change. Experimental methods and human performance, the human body, man as a system component, the physical environment.

**MIE - PART B**

**MHIEP007 System Analysis and Simulation**

*System Analysis and Optimisation*

Queueing theory, quality control systems, analysis of variance and covariance, multiple regression, design of experiment, evolutionary operation, stochastic models.

*System Modelling and Simulation*

Introduction to simulation. Discrete systems simulation. General purpose simulation system languages. Probability concepts, distributions, arrival patterns and service times. Random number generation. Problem formulation. Verification and validation of models. Analysis and interpretation of results. Continuous simulation modelling. Advanced continuous simulation language (ACSL). Industrial and production system models. Financial modelling. Spreadsheet modelling. Applications and case studies.

**MHIEP009 Information Systems**

*Theoretical Elements and Organisation of Information Systems*

Information resource management. Management and decision making. People and organisations. Information systems and models. Information systems in various functional areas of business. Information management. Case studies.

*Technical Components and Applications of Information Systems*

Technical foundations of information systems; hardware, software, databases, telecommunications, networks, enterprise-wide computing.

Technical applications of information systems; transaction processing systems, management reporting systems, decision support systems, knowledge-based systems, office information systems. Case studies.

*Practical Aspects of Information Systems*

Building management information systems. The system development life cycle. Strategy, specifying requirements, design, acquisition, development, implementation. Case studies.

**MHIEP008 Industrial Systems**

*Industrial Systems; Design and Management*

Management principles and practice. Design, implementation and management of production and service systems. Cost trade-off analysis and controls. Projects in estimating and specifying required resources, total investment, total periodic costs and unit costs. System development. Productivity measurement and control.

*Computer Aided Design and Manufacture*

Product design and development. Organisation and management of concurrent engineering systems. Computer integrated manufacturing. Design for manufacture. Flexible manufacturing systems and cells. Planning and implementing advanced production systems. CAE/CAD/CAM applications. Off-line CNC and robot programming. Machine systems engineering. Robotics.

**MHIEP010 Technology and Innovation Strategy**

Principles of economics, macroeconomics and social indicators, growth models, production functions, the technological factor, industrial policy, venture capital. The role of technology in economic growth, industrial innovation, industrial policy, and sectoral and inter-firm competition. Patenting, licensing and the finance of technology. Technology and skill change. Technology in higher education. Telecommunications. Technological forecasting and assessment. European programmes in science and technology.

**FINP626 Business Finance**

Financial Institutions: forecasting financial requirements, sources of finance, capital structure. Financial analysis and planning. Investment appraisal: measurements of return and risk. Cost of Capital. Management and sources of working capital. Long term capital: shares, fixed return and other sources. Mergers and acquisitions. Corporate failure and rehabilitation.

**BMGTP660 Marketing and Business Policy**

*Introduction to Marketing Management:* This course is designed to introduce the student to the area of marketing management. Its aim is to provide the students with an appreciation of the problems faced by the decision maker in marketing, rather than to produce marketing managers.

*Business Policy:* Concept of strategic management; determining goals and objectives; strategic analysis; evaluating and deciding between strategic options; consolidation; maintaining the going concern; diversification and retrenchment; strategy implementation.

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE  
(TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT) (MSc)**

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The MSc in Technology Management is designed for engineers and scientists who are responsible, or who will soon become responsible, for managing technological innovation. They will work primarily, but not exclusively, in the R & D departments of companies whose success depends critically on the introduction of new products (including services) and processes. The management of technological innovation involves putting in place and operating the strategies, structures, staffing and systems needed for the effective development and commercialisation of products and services, together with their associated production processes and delivery systems, and for the acquisition, development and timely embodiment of their constituent technologies and supporting knowledge bases. The degree courses will provide a comprehensive coverage of these topics.

**COURSE STRUCTURE AND EXAMINATION  
REQUIREMENTS**

The course is on a part-time basis over two years, commencing in January. Classes will take place on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. There is a total of 21 courses offered from the following list. Five courses will be completed in each half year. There will be a major project in the Summer of the second year.

**Courses of Study:**

Management Accounting	Finance
Quantitative Methods for Management	Product Design and Development
Business Economics	Management Information Systems
Organisation and Innovation I	Development Portfolio Management
Emerging Technologies	Development Project Management
Business Strategy	Technology Strategy II
Operations Strategy	Economics and Technology Policy
Technology Strategy I	Marketing New Products
Organisational Renewal	Manufacturing Systems Design
New Business Development	Organisation and Innovation II
Project Seminar	Year 2: Major Project

**Examinations:** Examinations are held in May and December, and the subjects examined are those covered in the previous half year. Students are required to have passed (or be exempted from) the examinations of the first year before being permitted to proceed to second year. Candidates are required to submit a report on a project, undertaken during the Summer of their second year, before completing their degree. The degree awarded is determined from the composite grade for the written examination in both years and the project report.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

A candidate for admission must hold a degree in Engineering or Science, deemed appropriate by the Faculties, or must fulfil the conditions described below.

A suitable candidate, who is not a graduate, but who is a corporate member of the Institution of Engineers of Ireland, or of equivalent status in a similar professional engineering or scientific institution, may be eligible for consideration for admission.

A candidate must have a minimum of three years' relevant work experience in a business/industrial organisation.

Candidates who already hold the MIE or MBA degree may be eligible for exemption on a subject-by-subject basis at the discretion of the Faculties.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applications for admission should be made to the Programme Director, MSc (Technology Management). Applications should be received not later than October 15 for admission in January.

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE  
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**ACCP621 Management Accounting**

Nature and role of managerial accounting. Cost terminology and classification. Accounting for materials, labour and overheads; cost allocation and apportionment; overhead absorption. Product and job costing and inventory valuation. Cost behaviour and prediction. Activity based costing. Project costing. Decision-making and relevant costs. Decision-making with scarce resources including linear programming. Decision-making under uncertainty. Budgets, budgetary control and Lotus 1-2-3. Standard costing and variance analysis.

**MEENP004 Quantitative Methods for Management**

This course will cover selected topics from the following material.

*Statistical Analysis.* Introduction to probability and statistics, binomial, Poisson, normal and other probability distributions; significance tests, estimation, regression and correlation, time series.

Multivariate statistics for marketing: multiple regression; discriminant analysis, conjoint analysis, Analytic Hierarchy Process.

*Optimisation.* Operations Analysis and Optimisation: Classical optimisation techniques, search techniques, gradient methods, linear programming, non-linear programming, dynamic programming.

*Decision Analysis.* Issues of structure, uncertainty and value in decision. Modelling structure; probability and utility assessment; behavioural issues in judgement and decision making. Multi-attribute decision problems. Group decision-making. Decision support products. Computer-based support for planning techniques.

**ECONP200 Business Economics**

The course covers topics in micro and macro economics including: economics of the firm - transaction cost and agency theory; application of economic theory on demand, production, cost, pricing, risk and uncertainty to business decisions. National accounts and their compilation. Theory of income determination. The role of money in the economic system.

**BMGTP640 Organisation and Innovation I**

Theories of motivation, satisfaction and their relation to performance; intrinsic and extrinsic motivation; job design and reward systems. Application to scientists and engineers: motivating performance at different tenure stages; career development, grade progression and task performance, dual ladders; facilitation and reward of critical innovation functions.

Small group formation and cohesion, task organisation, influence processes and leadership. Application to innovation: managing diversity for creativity; managing conflict at interfaces; problem solving strategies and communication processes; group age, performance and management; project groups and organisational learning.

**BMGTP641 Business Strategy**

Defining the business domain and opportunity space; environmental and competitive analysis; growth ambitions, trajectories and strategies; competitive intent and strategy; building the bases of sustainable advantage; the role of innovation and technology in generating growth options and sustainable advantage.

**BMGTP642 Organisation and Innovation II**

Developing structures and systems appropriate to the innovation and technology strategy of the firm. Building competences and knowledge creation for sustainable long-term advantage; organising for incremental, generational and radical innovation.

The changing nature of the corporate environment; flexibility and uncertainty; unplanned change. Models and processes of planned change: emergent models; open systems theory; the change agent; the diagnostic process; change interventions – human process, techno-structural, human resource and strategic. Evaluation and selection of interventions. Implementing planned change: power, politics and resistance. Organisational transformation and strategic change; the learning organisation and organisational change.

**BMGTP645 Operations Strategy**

Operations strategy and competitiveness, process choice in the context of manufacturing technology, service operations, capacity planning, facility location and layout, process control procedures, productivity and performance, job design and work measurement, operation scheduling, shop floor control, total quality management, plant economics, impact of the learning curve on unit costs, supply chain management, purchasing, just-in-time delivery, material requirements planning, lean manufacturing, design and management of logistics systems, benchmarking, business process re-engineering, industrial policy issues, new product development, manufacturing futures.

**BMGTP644 Technology Strategy I: Strategy Formulation**

Patterns and types of innovation and technology substitution. Technology Impact Analysis: identifying and classifying technologies by the size and timing of their potential impact on the business; selecting technologies which support business strategy; defining innovation strategy and competitive posture; assessing strength in base, key and emerging technologies; defining strategies for technology acquisition and development; deciding the total budget and identifying sources of financing for R&D; defining the balance of spending between early-stage and late-stage programmes.

**BMGTP643 Marketing New Products**

Identification of target markets, growth objectives and key customer needs; gap analysis to identify growth shortfalls and product line deficiencies, timed need for new and improved products; defining the role of the product in the marketing mix, and key product characteristics for market success. Product strategy: variety and replacement rate; use of the family concept – platforms and generational change; product evolution and technology embodiment scheduling (product-technology roadmapping).

Market definition and entry strategy; idea generation; the role of the lead user; measuring customer product perceptions; integrating market need and product design - QFD and other approaches; product positioning; the marketing mix; advertising, market and product testing; product launch; product life-cycle management.

**MISP622 Management Information Systems**

*Theoretical Elements and Organisation of Information Systems.* Information resource management. Management and decision making. People and organisations. Information systems and models. Information systems in functional business areas. Information management. Case studies.

*Technical Components and Applications of Information Systems.* Technical foundations of information systems; hardware, software, databases, networks. Technical applications of information systems; transaction processing systems, management reporting systems, decision support systems, knowledge-based systems. Case studies.

*Practical Aspects of Information Systems.* Building management information systems. The system development life cycle. Strategy, specifying requirements, design, acquisition, development, implementation. Case studies.

#### **MEENP001 Product Design and Development**

Product Design and Development is a two-credit, project-based course.

Rationale for design; systematic design approach; project planning; information gathering techniques; parametric, needs, and matrix analyses; objective tree and functional analyses; patents and standards; the product design specification; concept generation and evaluation; morphological chart method; concept ranking methods; final design; material selection; design for manufacture, assembly, and fabrication; technical/cost evaluation of production processes; effective prototyping; product costings; value analysis and redesign; group design exercises and assignments.

#### **MEENP002 Manufacturing Systems Design**

Design, implementation and management of manufacturing systems. Introduction to specific new manufacturing technologies. Computer integrated manufacturing, intelligent manufacturing systems, monitoring of manufacturing processes. Flexible manufacturing systems and cells. World Class Manufacturing. Robotics; estimating and specifying required resources, investment and costs.

#### **BMGTP647 Development Portfolio Management**

Building and managing a portfolio and pipeline of development projects which fit strategically, balance risks and generate desired cash-flows. Managing the 'fuzzy front-end': idea generation, evaluation and selection; concept development and technology selection. Managing multiple projects through later stages of development: stage - gate and other procedures for uncertainty reduction and risk management; 'control-tower' methods for resource allocation. Use of option pricing and other approaches to assess the financial adequacy of the project pipeline.

#### **BMGTP648 Development Project Management**

Managing individual projects to deliver quality products to market in a timely and cost-effective manner; using project teams as a mechanism of organisational learning. The project as a temporary organisation: identifying stakeholders and managing their expectations; light weight and heavy weight project teams - the power of the project and the functional manager. Design strategies, concurrent engineering and other methods for improving quality, cost and time to market. Project startup processes, goal-setting, work breakdown and assignment, project planning and control tools. Project completion or termination: evaluation, debriefing, learning and knowledge-diffusion, managing emotions.

#### **BMGTP652 Summer Project**

During the Summer of their second year, students will undertake a major in-company project which will make a measurable difference to the innovative capabilities of their firm. The project will take the place of a conventional thesis.

**BMGTP652 Project Seminar**

This seminar will be devoted to classroom discussion of the lessons learned from the major project conducted during the summer of Year 2.

**FINP623 Finance**

Sources and costs of finance. Capital structure. Interpretation of financial statements. Forecasting financial needs. Capital investment evaluation. Option pricing for R & D project and portfolio evaluation. Company evaluation. Mergers and acquisitions.

**BMGTP646 Technology Strategy II**

The Irish and European Innovation System: policy formulation, sources of technology and advice, sources of public funding for innovation. Venture capital and private funding sources. Technology acquisition: licensing, joint ventures and acquisitions. The art of negotiation in technology acquisition and sale. The protection of Intellectual Property. Practical approaches to organisational learning and knowledge management.

**MEENP003 Emerging Technologies**

The specific technologies chosen will reflect the background and interests of the participants, and will be discussed in conjunction with specialists in each field. Technologies will include some or all of the following: advanced materials, advanced manufacturing, rapid product development; nanotechnology; computation and communication hardware and software; biotechnology, combinatorial chemistry; energy.

**BMGTP649 Economics and Technology Policy**

Principles of economics, macroeconomics and social indicators, growth models, production functions, the technological factor, industrial policy. The role of technology in economic growth, industrial innovation, industrial policy, and sectoral and inter-firm competition. Technology and skill change. Technology in higher education. Technological forecasting and assessment. European programmes in science and technology.

Technology and economic development; the social shaping of technology; technology indicators; the monitoring of technology/society relations; technology planning and the role of the State; generic and direct intervention measures; technological discontinuities; the theory of cycles.

**BMGTP650 Organisational Renewal**

This course focuses on the process of managing business renewal. It examines the history and practice of businesses facing decline, and the management lessons in successfully achieving recovery. A tenet of the course is that enterprises succeed by a continuous process of revitalisation and that those who wait until a terminal stage are highly uncertain of success. Topics covered include: Causes of stagnation and decline; retrenchment strategies; human resource management; strategic planning for recovery; revenue generation; cost reduction; benchmarking; business process re-engineering; recovery implementation; maintaining the revitalisation process.

**BMGTP651 New Business Development**

The student will be given the opportunity to acquire the basic knowledge required to start a new line of business within a company. This course will be conducted as a seminar, with time devoted to the discussion of ideas by students who have an interest in entrepreneurship. These ideas may come from guest speakers, from the instructors, from the text and other readings or from case material, and from students.

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**DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE  
(ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY) (MSc)**

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The Master of Science (MSc) degree in Environmental Policy is directed at those wishing to conduct research into the economics and policy of environmental issues. It is the only such degree available in Ireland. Candidates are required to prepare a major thesis in a minimum period of one year. Prior to beginning the thesis, candidates attend short courses in environmental economics and research methods. Applicants should have a good undergraduate degree in economics or a related subject. The number of places on offer is limited to five. Studentships are available which cover fees and provide a stipend.

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**DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD)**

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Candidates for this degree are required to be admitted by the Faculty on the recommendation of the Professor; their admission must then be confirmed by the Academic Council. Candidates who have not graduated in this University may be admitted if suitably qualified.

No candidate can be allowed to enter on a course of study and research for the Degree of PhD unless he/she has reached a high Honours standard at the examination for the primary degree or presented such other evidence as will satisfy the Professor and the Faculty of his/her fitness.

The degree is normally taken nine terms after a master's degree or primary degree. A reduction in the number of terms would be dependent on progress by the candidate and would be a matter for consideration and decision by the Faculty.

Candidates for the PhD Degree will be allowed six years from the date of registration in which to complete their degree. If they have not done so within that period they must re-apply for registration.

The thesis must normally be prepared under the supervision of the Professor, but the Faculty may, on the recommendation of the Professor, assign another member of the staff to supervise the candidate's research, under the Professor's general direction. The thesis must be prepared in the University, unless permission is given to the candidate to work elsewhere under the Professor's general direction. Such permission will only be given to candidates who have attended courses in the University for twelve terms before admission to the course for the PhD.

Candidates may enter for examination in January of the year in which their work is to be examined; the time of examination to be arranged as may be convenient to the candidate and the examiners. If the thesis is not presented before 1 February following, the candidate must re-enter.

Candidates may be required to take an oral examination on the subject matter of their thesis.

This degree will not be awarded unless the examiners report that the work is worthy of publication, as a whole or in part, as a work of serious scholarship.