

# Course description

## 1 General information

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| Course name                            | <b>Introduction to engineering application of the FEM</b>          |
| Course code                            | M1-IE  |
| Level of study (B.Sc, M.Sc., Ph.D.)    | B.Sc.  |
| ECTS                                   | 5  |
| Course manager                         | PhD, Katarzyna Tajs-Zielińska, Institute of Applied Mechanics      |
| Course length                          | One (1) semester   |
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## 2 Prerequisites

- basics of strength of materials

## 2 Program

| Type  | Lectures | Classes | Labs | Computer labs | Project | Seminar |
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| Hours | 30       | -       | 15   | 15            | -       | -       |

## 3 Contents

| Lectures |   |       |
|----------|---|-------|
| No.      |   | Hours |
| 1        | Motivation to use of modern computational methods. Introduction to structural design and analysis of structures using modern software.  | 2     |
| 2        | Introduction to Finite Element Methods: example of plane truss.   | 3     |
| 3        | Introduction to Finite Element Methods: finite element: degrees of freedom, geometric stress-stiffness matrix, internal force matrix; structure: transformation from a local to a global coordinate system, assembling, global stiffness matrix, fundamental FEM set of equations; beam element shape function; basic concepts of plane stress and plane strain - example of triangular plane element; error estimators for discrete solutions. | 20    |
| 4        | General rules for FEM modeling: designer tasks - computer tasks, preprocessing - solution - postprocessing.   | 2     |
| 5        | Engineering analysis with ANSYS software: static, stability, linear, introduction to nonlinear problems and optimal design.   | 3     |

| Labs |  |       |
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| No.  |  | Hours |
| 1    | Individual work - example of plane truss.                      | 3     |
| 2    | Basic introduction to Ansys Parametric Design Language (APDL). | 4     |
| 3    | Individual work - analysis using APDL.                         | 4     |
| 4    | Introduction to optimal design of beams nad frames.            | 4     |

| Computer labs |   |       |
|---------------|---|-------|
| No.           |   | Hours |
| 1             | Initial overview of the system ANSYS - a simple beam model.   | 4     |
| 2             | Frames and plane stress examples - Model generation: creating solid model from the bottom up: keypoints, lines, areas, volumes; creating solid model from top down - primitives and Boolean operations; Mesh generation: element type, real constants, material properties, meshing controls; Loading: DOF constraints, concentrated loads, surface loads; Solution and postprocessing. | 5     |
| 3             | Introduction to eigenvalue buckling analysis.   | 2     |
| 4             | Individual work - analysis of frames and plane structures.  | 2     |

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| 5 | Final project. | 2 |
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### **3 Learning Outcomes (skills and knowledge):**

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- understanding of basic FEM theory and ability of derivation of the FEM formulations for 1-D and 2-D problems
- ability of application of the FEM for computational modeling and simulations
- mastering of use of the FEM software ANSYS
- experience in interpretation of the results of finite element analysis
- ability of using modern analysis techniques in engineering practice

### **4 Assessment policy (examination):**

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- final test
- final individual project

### **5 Literature**

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1. <https://www.colorado.edu/engineering/cas/courses.d/IFEM.d/>
2. <https://sites.ualberta.ca/~wmoussa/AnsysTutorial/>
3. Paleti Srinivas, Sambana Krishna Chaitanya Datti Rajesh Kumar — Finite Element Analysis Using Ansys 11.0, New Delhi, India, 2010, PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.