College of Engineering

Department of Civil Engineering



CE 576 Structural Reliability

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Credit and Contact hours	3 / 3 (Lectures), 0 (Tutorials), 0 (Laboratory)	
Required, or Elective	Elective	
Course Description	Common probability models. Principles of structural reliability. First and second order methods. Simulation techniques. Probabilistic models for loads and resistance variables. Probability-based design criteria and Design Codes; quantitative risk evaluation, safety and load factor determination. Project	
Prerequisites or Co- requisites	None	
Course Learning Outcomes	Students completing this course successfully will be able to:	
	Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)	Related Student Outcomes (SO)
	CLO1. Recognize the role of structural reliability in the development of probability-based design codes. K1	SO1
	CLO2: Determine the reliability of structural components and structural systems using approximate and simulation techniques. S1	SO2
	CLO3: Use related computer programs to calculate the reliability of structural components and systems. S1	SO2
	CLO4. Compare the computer programs' reliability results of structural components and systems with manual solutions. S1	SO6
	CLO5. Demonstrate professional engineering and ethical values with high academic integrity in assigned projects and assignments. V1	SO6
Student Outcomes related to this	 SO1 Recognize advanced engineering knowledge, concepts, and techniques to identify, interpret, and analyze complex and real-life engineering problems. SO2 Provide solutions for complex and real-life engineering problems through critical thinking and the use of modern engineering tools, and identify their impact on social, global, cultural, environmental, safety, and economic factors. 	
Course	SO6 Demonstrate scientific integrity, ethical responsibility, and academic values in scientific publications, research projects, and thesis work.	
	List of Topics	Related CLOs
Topics Covered	Principles of structural reliability and quantitative risk evaluation	CLO1
	2. Common probability models	CLO2, CLO3
	3. First and second order methods	CLO2, CLO3
	4. Simulation techniques	CLO2, CLO3

	 5. Probabilistic models for loads and load factor determination 6. Probabilistic models for resistance variables and safety factor determination 7. Probability-based design criteria and Design Codes 	CLO2, CLO4, CLO5 CLO2, CLO4, CLO5 CLO1, CLO4, CLO5
Textbook(s) and Other Required Material	Nowak, A. S., & Collins, K. R. (2012). Reliability of structure	es. CRC press.
Grading System	Assignments	20%
	Lecture Attendance	
	Mini project and/or seminar	10%
	Mid-term exam	30%
	Final Exam	40%
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