

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING
COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Details				
Code		Academic Year		Semester
BAU425		4		Spring
Title		T	A	L
Experimental Soil Mechanics			2	2
Language	German			
Level	Undergraduate	✓	Graduate	Postgraduate
Department / Program	Civil Engineering			
Forms of Teaching and Learning	Formal			
Course Type	Compulsory	✓	Elective	
Objectives	This course aims to teach the fundamental principles of soil mechanics experiments, ensure the analysis of laboratory experiments, and demonstrate how experimental data are used in engineering applications.			
Content	Ders, zemin mekaniği laboratuvar deneylerinin teorik temellerini, deneysel yöntemleri ve uygulamalarını içermektedir. Ayrıca, zeminlerin fiziksel ve mekanik özelliklerinin belirlenmesi, laboratuvar deneylerinde veri toplama ve analiz teknikleri ile mühendislik projelerine yönelik değerlendirmeleri kapsamaktadır.			
Prerequisites	--			
Coordinator	Prof.Dr. Murat HAMDERİ			
Lecturer(s)	Prof.Dr. Murat HAMDERİ			
Assistant(s)	--			
Work Placement	--			
Recommended or Required Reading				
Books / Lecture Notes	Bardet, J.P., 1997, Experimental Soil Mechanics, Prentice Hall, USA. Bowles, J. E. (1996). Foundation Analysis and Design. McGraw-Hill. Das, B. M. (2013).			
Other Sources				
Additional Course Material				
Documents	Lecture slides, script exercises, script formula collection			
Assignments				
Exams	Midterm Exam, Final Exam			
Course Composition				
Mathematics and Basic Sciences			%	
Engineering	50		%	
Engineering Design	20		%	

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Social Sciences			%
Educational Sciences			%
Natural Sciences			%
Health Sciences			%
Expert Knowledge	30		%
Assessment			
Activity	Count		Percentage (%)
Midterm Exam			
Quiz			
Assignments	1		40
Attendance			
Recitations			
Projects			
Final Exam	1		60
		Total	100
ECTS Points and Work Load			
Activity	Count	Duration	Work Load (Hours)
Lectures			
Self-Study	12	2	24
Assignments			
Presentation / Seminar Preparation			
Midterm Exam			
Recitations	1	2	2
Laboratory	14	2	28
Projects			
Final Exam	1	2	2
		Total Work Load	56
		ECTS Points (Total Work Load / Hour)	2
Learning Outcomes			
1	Explains the fundamental principles of soil mechanics laboratory experiments.		
2	Determines the physical and mechanical properties of soils using experimental methods.		
3	Analyzes experimental results and applies them to engineering practices.		
4	Interprets laboratory data and prepares technical reports.		
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Weekly Content

1	Introduction to soil mechanics laboratory and experimental methods
2	Soil classification tests (sieve and hydrometer analysis)
3	Natural water content and unit weight tests
4	Consolidation tests and settlement analysis
5	Direct shear test and triaxial compression tests
6	Compaction and permeability tests
7	Analysis of experimental data and engineering applications
8	Midterm Exam
9	Soil strength and bearing capacity tests
10	Soil dynamics and seismic tests
11	Liquefaction potential of soils and its evaluation
12	Integration of laboratory data into engineering design
13	Case studies and preparation of laboratory reports
14	Computer-aided analysis of experimental data
15	General evaluation and project presentations

Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Program Objectives(1-5)

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7
1	4	2	1	1	3	5	2
2	4	2	1	1	3	5	2
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Contribution Level	1: Low 2: Low-intermediate 3: Intermediate 4: High 5: Very High						
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