

# MODULE SPECIFICATION FORM

Module Title:	Aerodynamics		Level:		6	Credit Value:	10	
Module code: (if known)	ENG680	Cost Centre	GAA	λE	JAC: code	-	H440	
Semester(s) in	With effect July 2015 from:							
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Originating Academic area:    Engineering and Applied Physics    Module Leader:    S Monir								
Module duration (total hours)100Scheduled learning and teaching hours36Independent study hours64Placement hours0			core/op (identif where	tatus:Free-standing 10-creditore/option/electivecomponent comprisingdentify programmeENG619 (Aerodynamicshere appropriate):CFD).			rising half of	
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Programme(s) in which to be offered: Enginering European Programme (Non Award Bearing)					Pre-requisites per programme (between levels):		None	

#### Module Aims:

To analyse the properties of the atmosphere, the effect of forces on the aerodynamic characteristics of aircraft and vehicles, the mechanics of flight and aircraft performance, thus to evaluate design features which provide static and dynamic stability and the forces affecting aircraft stability.

## **Expected Learning Outcomes**

Knowledge and Understanding:

At the completion of this module, the student should be able to:

- 1. Analyse the properties of air and the atmosphere; calculate the effect of forces on the aerodynamic characteristics of vehicles;
- 2. Apply the mechanics of airflows to aircraft/vehicle performance;

- (KS 5)
- 3. Define those design features which provide static and dynamic stability; solve problems involving forces affecting land vehicle and aircraft stability; (KS 3)

Key skills for employability

- 1. Written, oral and media communication skills,
- 2. Leadership, team working and networking skills
- 3. Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
- 4. Information technology skills and digital literacy 5. Information management skills
- Information manageme
  Research skills

- 7. Intercultural and sustainability skills
- 8. Career management skills
- Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self management)
- 10. Numeracy

**Assessment:** Please indicate the type(s) of assessment (eg examination, oral, coursework, project) and the weighting of each (%).

Assessment is by means of an examination covering all outcomes. It is an unseen time-constrained exam. (This corresponds to the 'examination' element of ENG619.)

Assessment number (use as appropriate)	Learning Outcomes met	Type of assessment	Weighting	Duration (if exam)	Word count (if coursework)
Assessment One:	1, 2, 3	Examination	100%	2 hr	

## Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The aerodynamics will be delivered by a set of structured lectures backed up by tutorials. Laboratory work and computer packages will be utilised where appropriate to aid learning.

#### Syllabus outline:

Properties of the atmosphere: Properties of atmosphere, Ideal gas law, S.I. units.

## Effect of forces on the aerodynamic characteristics of aircraft and vehicles:

Forces of importance: thrust, lift and drag. Moments. Centre of Gravity, Centre of Pressure, and Aerodynamic centre. Relationship between these positions.

**Aerodynamic characteristics:** Reynolds number, coefficients, coefficients of lift, drag and moment. **Mechanics of flight and vehicle performance:** 

<u>Flight:</u> Forces involved in climbing flight, gliding flight. Rate of descent and endurance. Criteria for aircraft control in a horizontal turn. Maximum range/endurance conditions for engine types.

Land vehicles: this section can consider aerodynamic forces at different velocities, skids, turns, effects of aerofoils, efficiency, power. Maximum range/endurance conditions for engine types.

- **Design features which provide static and dynamic stability:** Static and dynamic stability of aircrafts and vehicles. Functions of parts of the aircraft/vehicle that provide stability. Basic equations of equilibrium for aircraft/vehicles in selected types of motion. Forces and moments used in the analysis of the stability of aircraft/vehicles.
- **Forces affecting stability:** Basic equations of equilibrium for an aircraft or land vehicle in selected types of motion. Forces and moments used in the analysis of stability.

# **Bibliography:**

Essential reading:

Houghton, E.L., et al. (2012) Aerodynamics for Engineering Students. 6th Edn.,

Oxford: Butterworth-Heinemann.

Recommended reading:

Anderson, J.D. (2011) *Introduction to Flight*. 7<sup>th</sup> Edn., McGraw-Hill Higher Education Dingle, L.and Tooley, M. (2012) *Aircraft Engineering Principles*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edn., Oxford: Butterworth-Heinemann