



COURSE SPECIFICATION

Course code	full-time:	B1-5-501a
	part-time:	BN1-5-501a
Course title in Polish	Metody obliczeniowe w mechanice konstrukcji 1	
Course title in English	Computational Methods in Structural Mechanics 1	
Valid from academic year	2023/2024	

CURRICULAR ALIGNMENT

Programme	CIVIL ENGINEERING
Level	first-cycle
Programme profile	academic
Mode of attendance	full-time; part-time
Specialism	all
Academic unit responsible for the course	Department of Theory of Structures and BIM
Course coordinator	dr inż. Katarzyna Kubicka
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Teaching block	major	
Course status	elective	
Language of instruction	Polish	
Semester of delivery	full-time	semester V
	part-time	semester V
Prerequisites	Mathematics 1, 2, 3, Strength of Materials 1 and 2, Structural Mechanics 1	
Exam (YES/NO)	NO	
ECTS	3	

Mode of teaching		lecture	class	lab	project	other
Number of hours per semester	full-time:	15			30	
	part-time:	10			20	

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Category	Code	Learning outcomes	Corresponding programme outcome code
Knowledge	W01	Students have the knowledge to build selected problems of mechanics.	B1_W01 B1_W06 B1_W07
	W02	Students are familiar with some computer programs that support structural calculations.	B1_W17
Skills	U01	Students know how to formulate mathematical models of selected topics in mechanics.	B1_U08
	U02	Students know how to apply the finite element method to solve mechanics problems.	B1_U01
	U03	Students are able to use computer programs supporting the calculation process.	B1_U27
	U04	Students can perform an evaluation of the solutions obtained.	B1_U12
Competence	K01	Students are able to work individually.	B1_K01
	K02	Students are responsible for the reliability of the results obtained.	B1_K02
	K03	Students describe the results obtained and formulate conclusions	B1_K04

COURSE CONTENT

Teaching mode*	Topics covered
lecture	Real, mathematical, and numerical models of basic building structural elements. Static diagrams of bar structures.
	Introduction to the finite element method (FEM). Definition of: shape function, stiffness matrix, load vector. The FE algorithm.
	Beam, truss and frame elements in FEA.
	Beam-elastic substrate model.
	Verification of the correctness of FEM calculations.
project	Introduction to the selected computer program: interface, basic functions, program configuration settings.
	Modeling of elementary bar structures.
	Determination of the cross-section force envelope using available computer tools.
	Static analysis of orthogonal beam and frame by finite element method on non-deformable substrate.
	Static analysis of the frame-truss structure.
	Static analysis of a beam on a deformable substrate in FEA (modeling of the soil substrate).

METHODS OF LEARNING OUTCOMES VERIFICATION

Learning outcome	Learning outcome verification methods					
	Oral exam	Written exam	Test	Project	Report	Other
W01			X	X		
W02				X		
U01			X	X		
U02			X	X		
U03				X		
U04			X	X		
K01			X	X		
K02			X	X		
K03				X		

ASSESSMENT

Teaching mode*	Assessment type	Criteria
lecture	mark-based	<i>The pass mark is a minimum of 50% for the in-class test.</i>
project	mark-based	<i>At least a passing grade on each project</i>

STUDENT WORKLOAD

ECTS weighting													
	Activities	Student workload											
		full-time					part-time						
		W	C	L	P	S	W	C	L	P	S		
1.	Scheduled contact hours	15			30		10			20			h
2.	Other (office hours, exams)	2			2		2			2			h
3.	Total number of contact hours	49					34					h	
4.	Number of ECTS credits for contact hours	2					1,4					ECTS	
5.	Independent study hours	26					41					h	
6.	Number of ECTS credits for independent study	1					1,6					ECTS	
7.	Practical hours	50					50					h	
8.	Number of ECTS credits for practical hours	2					2					ECTS	
9.	Total workload	75					75					h	
10.	ECTS credits for the course <i>1 ECTS credit =25 student learning hours</i>	3										ECTS	

READING LIST

1. Rakowski G., Kacprzyk Z.: Metoda elementów skończonych w mechanice konstrukcji. Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Warszawskiej, Warszawa, 2016.
2. Borowicz T., Buczkowski M., Szaniec W.: Metoda elementów skończonych: podstawy rozwiązywania konstrukcji prętowych: konspekt wykładów i ćwiczeń. Wydawnictwo Politechniki Świętokrzyskiej, Kielce, 2000.
3. Sadecka L.: Metoda różnic skończonych i elementów skończonych w zagadnieniach mechaniki konstrukcji i podłoża. Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Opolskiej, Opole, 2010.
4. Zienkiewicz O.C., Taylor R.L., Zhu J.Z.: The finite element methods: its basis and fundamentals, Elsevier: Butterworth-Heinemann, Amsterdam 2006.