ME 405: Thermal Systems Design

Course description: Design and analysis of thermofluid systems using principles of thermodynamics, fluid mechanics and heat transfer.

Number of credits: 3

Course Coordinator: P. Dutta

Prerequisites by course: ME 304; admitted to major in Mechanical Engineering

Prerequisites by topic:
1. Thermodynamic properties of matter.
2. Work and heat.
3. The first and second laws of thermodynamics.
4. Laminar and turbulent flow of ideal and viscous fluids.
5. Boundary layer flow and pipe flow.
6. Conductive, convective, and radiative heat transfer.

Postrequisites: None


Course objectives:
1. The first law of thermodynamics.
2. Calculation of heat loss.
3. Design of piping systems.
5. Calculating conductive, convective, and radiative heat transfer in engineering systems.
7. Second law of thermodynamics.
8. Gas and vapor power cycles.

Topics covered:
1. The first and second laws of thermodynamics.
2. Availability and work potential.
3. Heat loss and heat load calculation.
4. Piping systems and pump selection.
5. Conductive, convective, and radiative heat transfer in engineering systems.
7. Gas power, vapor power and refrigeration cycles.
8. Cogeneration and waste heat recovery.
9. Heating, ventilation and air conditioning system.
Expected learning outcomes:
1. Apply the first law of thermodynamics to open and closed systems.
2. Predict the head loss of a pipe or duct system and select an appropriate pump.
3. Determine the heat load of an engineering system.
4. Design a heat exchanger.
5. Apply the second law of thermodynamics to open and closed systems.
6. Optimize the conceptual design of a heat engine and refrigeration system.
7. Design a thermofluid system involving moving fluids, heat transfer, and conversion of energy between heat and work.

Class schedule: Three 50-minute lecture sessions per week, for one semester.

Laboratory schedule: None.

Contribution to meeting the professional component: Engineering Topics

Relationship of course to student outcomes:
Meets:
1. School of MME educational objectives: 1, 2, 3
2. School of MME program outcomes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
3. ABET EC2019, Criterion 3 program outcomes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7

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