ME 419: Air Conditioning

This is a cooperative course taught jointly by WSU and the University of Idaho.

Course description: Principles of heat and moisture transfer, air motion and purity in

buildings; design of systems.

Number of credits: 3

Course Coordinator: Robert F. Richards

Prerequisites by course: ME 304

Prerequisites by topic: 1. An understanding of engineering fluid mechanics

2. An understanding of engineering thermodynamics

3. An understanding of heat transfer applied to mechanical engineering

problems

Postrequisites: None

Textbooks/other required materials:

McQuiston, Parker and Spitler. *Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Analysis and Design.* Wiley, 2005, 6/e.

Course objectives:

- 1. Understanding the fundamentals of heating, ventilation and air conditioning.
- 2. Using application software for heating and cooling of building load analysis.
- 3. Becoming familiar with the codes and standards from ASHRAE handbooks.
- 4. Understanding efficiency improvement options.
- 5. Understanding to relate HVAC to other disciplines such as heat transfer, fluids, thermodynamics, control and economics.

Topics covered:

- 1. Air conditioning systems
- 2. Properties of moist air
- 3. Moist air processes
- 4. Space air conditioning
- 5. Indoor air quality--comfort and health
- 6. Heat transfer from human body
- 7. Heat transfer in building envelopes
- 8. Infiltration heat load and weatherizing
- 9. Computation of the heating load
- 10. Heat gain by solar radiation
- 11. Computation of the cooling load
- 12. Energy requirements for HVAC systems; building energy audit
- 13. Fans--performance, selection, and installation
- 14. Air flow in ducts and fittings

- 15. Design of duct systems
- 16. Codes & standards for building energy systems
- 17. Annual energy consumption

Expected learning outcomes:

- Produce single-line diagrams for common HVAC system configurations from verbal specification or visual inspection of installed systems
- 2. Identify and explain the operation of common HVAC system components
- 3. Use both a psychrometric chart and computer-based tools to perform moist air process calculations
- 4. Demonstrate understanding of the equipment and design processes needed to assure comfort and health for common HVAC systems
- 5. Compute heating and cooling loads for buildings using conventional methods
- 6. Perform basic energy audit and building system cost analyses
- 7. Demonstrate familiarity with codes and standards related to building energy systems
- 8. Specify component performance requirements to meet HVAC system needs
- 9. Specify a complete air distribution system including fan, ductwork, and installation requirements for a typical HVAC system

Class schedule:

Laboratory schedule: None.

Contribution to meeting the professional component:

Engineering Topics

Relationship of course to student outcomes:

Meets:

- 1. School of MME ME educational objectives: 1
- 2. School of MME ME program outcomes: 1, 2, 4, 6, 7
- 3. ABET EC2019, Criterion 3 program outcomes: 1, 2

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 accommodations to fully participate in this class, please either visit or call the Access Center (Washington Building 217; 509-335-3417) to schedule
 an appointment with an Access Advisor. All accommodations MUST be approved through the Access Center.
- WSU Online Course. Reasonable accommodations are available in online classes for students with a documented disability. All accommodations must be approved through your WSU Disability Services office. If you have a disability and need accommodations, we recommend you begin the process as soon as possible. For more information contact a Disability Specialist on your home campus: Pullman or WSU Online (http://accesscenter.wsu.edu), Spokane (http://spokane.wsu.edu/students/current/studentaffairs/disability/), Tri-Cities (http://www.tricity.wsu.edu/disability), Vancouver (<a href="http://studentaffairs.vancouver.wsu.edu/student-resource-center/disability-services).

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