Fall 2023
MECH 3312 Thermodynamics (Section 1, CRN: 11180)

Course Description: Fluid properties, fluid statics, fluid flow concepts and basic equations, dimensional analysis, viscous effects, fluid resistance, laminar and turbulent boundary layers, flow-through pipes. Prerequisite is MECH 2311 Intro to Thermal-Fluid Science with a ‘C’ or better.

Instructor and Office Hours: Dr. Joshua T. Green (jtgreen2@utep.edu)
Office hours W 1:30 – 3:00 pm

In person:
Office C107A inside E-Lead Studios of Classroom Bldg.

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by Yunus Cengel, Michael Boles, and Mehmet Kanoglu
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Course Content:
1. First and second laws of thermodynamics
2. Chemical and phase equilibrium
3. Thermodynamic processes and devices
4. Fundamentals of theoretical, power and refrigeration cycles
5. Description and calculations relating to gas mixtures
6. Air-conditioning and problems relating to air-water vapor mixtures
7. Introduction to chemical reactions on a first law of thermodynamics basis

Grade Assignments and Projects 40% Grade Scale
Exams 60%
(4 given – 3 highest scores count)

There will be four exams, class assignments, and projects (one assignment per average class session). There will be no makeups for the tests or assignments. Your lowest five assignments will be dropped.
**Major Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Analyze thermodynamic systems, processes and power/refrigeration cycles using the laws of thermodynamics.
2. Determine the appropriate thermodynamic state of a system using equations of state, correlations, and tabulated information for typical gases and water.
3. State the composition of mixtures on both gravimetric and volumetric bases and calculate the thermodynamic properties of mixtures of ideal and real gases.
4. Balance chemical reactions describing an overall combustion process, perform energy analysis of combustion systems and calculate the adiabatic flame temperature.
5. Design a practical power cycle to specified requirements.
6. Perform energy analyses of air-water-vapor mixtures that are important in HVAC applications; using both fundamental models of mixing and psychrometric charts.

**ABET Program Outcomes Impacted**

This class significantly addresses the following ABET objectives:

(a) An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics

(b) An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors

(c) An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences

(d) An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering solutions and make informed judgements, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts

(e) An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives

(f) An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgement to draw conclusions

(g) An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies
# TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE

**MEETING TIME:** MW 12:00 - 1:20 pm  
**MEETING LOCATION:** Liberal Arts 106

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Exam 3 [CH 9-11]
ACES & Tutoring Center
Please note there are tutoring services available in the ACES center. Tutoring is free to you; the Department pays them. If tutors are not used, the Department may stop funding them. Check the schedule of the tutors and make use of the services. For more details visit the ME Advising Blackboard -> cc mech acadav: MECH Academic Advising -> Tutoring & Resources
At the link you can find tutor schedules, location of the ACES center and the list of tutors available. For more information send email to METutors@utep.edu

Course Communication: How we will stay in contact with each other
There are several ways we can keep communication channels open beyond our time spent in class or in study sessions:

- **Office Hours**: I have office hours during which you can meet with me at my office or meet with me virtually. (see section titled: “Instructor and Office Hours”)
- **Email**: UTEP e-mail is the best way to contact me. I will make every attempt to respond to your e-mail within 24-48 hours of receipt. When e-mailing me, be sure to email from your UTEP student account and please put the course number and section in the subject line. In the body of your e-mail, clearly state your question. At the end of your e-mail, be sure to put your first and last name, and your university identification number.
- **Discussion Board**: If you have a question that you believe other students may also have, please post it in Microsoft Teams. Please respond to other students’ questions if you have a helpful response. (see section titled: “Instructor and Office Hours”)
- **Announcements**: Check the Blackboard announcements frequently for any updates, deadlines, or other important messages.

Technology Requirements
Course content may be delivered via the internet through the Blackboard learning management system. Ensure your UTEP e-mail account is working and that you have access to the Web and a stable web browser. Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are the best browsers for Blackboard; other browsers may cause complications. When having technical difficulties, update your browser, clear your cache, or try switching to another browser.

You will need to have access to a computer/laptop, printer, scanner, and a microphone. You will need to download or update the following software: Microsoft Office (including Microsoft Teams), Adobe Acrobat Reader, Windows Media Player, and QuickTime. Check that your computer hardware and software are up-to-date and able to access all parts of the course.

If you do not have word-processing software, you can download Word and other Microsoft Office programs (including Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and more) for free via UTEP’s Microsoft Office Portal.

IMPORTANT: If you encounter technical difficulties beyond your scope of troubleshooting, please contact the UTEP Help Desk as they are trained specifically in assisting with technological needs of students. Please do not contact me for this type of assistance. The Help Desk is much better equipped than I am to assist you!
**Academic Honesty**
During exams and quizzes, you are not allowed to use any form of wifi enabled electronic device, including cell phones or other electronic communication devices or methods (wrist watches, earbuds, etc.). No wrist watch or other electronic device may be worn. Calculators and watches may be subject to inspection. You may be asked to temporarily remove glasses to allow for their inspection.

You may not bring backpacks, hats, bulky coats or hoodies into the exam room. Lockers are not available at the exam site so plan and leave your belongings in a secure location. You may NOT sit them in a corner of the exam room.

You must show your work for all problems. You must use the paper provided by the instructor. If no work is shown you may not receive credit. After the exam, the instructor may require you to explain how you solved a problem on the exam. If you refuse to or cannot explain your work you may be subject to disciplinary action.

No electronic version of the book, loose paper print-outs of the book or extra sheets of paper of any kind are allowed unless explicitly mentioned in writing by the instructor. As a part of the zero-tolerance policy, if you have a cellphone or other electronic device capable of communication on your person; or if any proctor sees or hears any electronic device during the exam or if you share your work with someone else, you will be reported to the proper authorities and you may receive a zero on the exam or an F in the class. Other actions including suspension may also be pursued.

No one will be allowed to leave the room during an exam. This includes restroom breaks. University approved recording devices may be located at various locations in the room and may be out of sight of the students. These recordings will be managed according to the UTEP approved regulations for such media. The instructor may create a record of your activity during the exam and may take photographs of your work during the exam.

If you are suspected of scholastic dishonesty you may or may not be directly confronted about your conduct by the instructor or proctor. You will however, be reported to the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution (OSCCR) and your exam may not be admissible. Your grade in the class may not be available until OSCCR makes a final ruling, this may adversely impact your ability to enroll in other classes.

If you arrive more than 15 minutes late to an exam, you will not be allowed to take the examination.

There will be no makeup exams administered. If you have a university approved excuse, your instructor will have a process for determining how to handle the missing grade outlined in the syllabus. However, no makeup exams will be given.

If you miss more than one exam, the instructor may choose to administratively drop you from the class. This may adversely impact a visa and financial aid.
No food or drink may be brought into the examination room.

Departmental policy allows for the use of assigned seats. All students must present their UTEP issued ID prior to and during every exam and may be required to sign in. Not having a UTEP issued ID when asked will result in forfeiture of the exam. No other IDs will be accepted. Scholastic dishonesty on homework, lab assignments and all other class assignments will be held to the same standards and requirements of academic honesty as quizzes and exams. Use of Chegg or other 3rd party websites is strictly prohibited for assignments, projects, and exams.

**Class Attendance Policy**

Attendance is mandatory. A drop for not attending will count toward the State Allowed Six Drop Limit. If you are failing the class at the time of the drop you may also be given a WF designation. Be advised that a drop could adversely impact visa status, financial aid and other programs. As per UTEP rules, you may be asked to show a UTEP ID at any time during class. Anyone who is present and not registered in the class will be subject to disciplinary action unless the instructor gives prior approval.

**Excused Absence for Exams**

The UTEP catalog allows Exam Absence to be excused ONLY for University-Recognized Activities and very specific other situations. Medical absence is NOT allowed in the UTEP catalog. For consistency with the catalog, students will NOT be excused from exams due to illness.

**Harassment Policy**

The University (see Handbook of Operating Procedures 1.2.2.4) has a zero-tolerance policy for harassment. Engagement in any behavior considered harassment will be reported to the proper authorities. In addition to generally understood forms of harassment, the department also treats the following behavior as harassment:

- Repeated emails and/or calls regarding subjects that have already been addressed. Once a decision has been made or a question answered, a student who continues to ask the same question will be given a warning by the recipient of the email/call. If the student continues, the behavior will be reported. Questions that seek understanding of course material are not harassment; but repeated questions about a grade or an administrative decision are.

- Grades are NOT negotiable, ever. If you believe a grading mistake has been made, you must follow the process described in the UTEP catalog. Any request for a grade elevation that is NOT based on a mistake is considered harassment and will be reported immediately.

- Remaining in an office after the occupant requests you leave is considered harassment and potentially threatening. You will be reported immediately without warning and depending on the severity, may be reported to law enforcement.

- Similar behavior towards department staff, and student advisors will also be treated as harassment, including persistent phone calls, emails, and badgering. Department staff and student advisors are there to help students, and should be treated with due respect.
**Course Resources: Where you can go for assistance**

UTEP provides a variety of student services and support:

**Technology Resources**
- **Help Desk**: Students experiencing technological challenges (email, Blackboard, software, etc.) can submit a ticket to the UTEP Helpdesk for assistance. Contact the Helpdesk via phone, email, chat, website, or in person if on campus.

**Academic Resources**
- **UTEP Library**: Access a wide range of resources including online, full-text access to thousands of journals and eBooks plus reference service and librarian assistance for enrolled students.
- **University Writing Center (UWC)**: Submit papers here for assistance with writing style and formatting, ask a tutor for help and explore other writing resources.
- **Math Tutoring Center (MaRCS)**: Ask a tutor for help and explore other available math resources.
- **History Tutoring Center (HTC)**: Receive assistance with writing history papers, get help from a tutor and explore other history resources.
- **RefWorks**: A bibliographic citation tool; check out the RefWorks tutorial and Fact Sheet and Quick-Start Guide.
- **The Miner Learning Center**: Join peer-led study sessions in person or online to review content and discover study strategies in core curriculum courses.
- **UTEP Edge**: UTEP’s cross-campus framework for student success and empowerment – develops students’ assets through high-impact experiences made possible by the expertise and dedication of faculty, staff, alumni, and community partners.

**Individual Resources**
- **Student Success Help Desk (SSHD)**: Students experiencing challenges or obstacles to academic success including registration, financial, food, housing, and transposition resources my submit a ticket request assistance to studentsuccess@utep.edu
- **Military Student Success Center**: Assists personnel in any branch of service to reach their educational goals.
- **Center for Accommodations and Support Services**: Assists students with ADA-related accommodations for coursework, housing, and internships.
- **Counseling and Psychological Services**: Provides a variety of counseling services including individual, couples, and group sessions as well as career and disability assessments.
- **UTEP Food Pantry**: Non-perishable food items are available to students who are currently enrolled in classes. Bring a Miner Gold Card to Memorial Gym, Room 105, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Copyright Statement for Course Materials
All materials used in this course are protected by copyright law. The course materials are only for the use of students currently enrolled in this course and only for the purpose of this course. They may not be further disseminated.

Class Recordings
The use of recordings may be used to enable access to class lectures, group discussions, and so on. Our use of such technology is governed by the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and UTEP’s acceptable-use policy. A recording of class sessions will be kept and stored by UTEP, in accordance with FERPA and UTEP policies. Your instructor will not share the recordings of your class activities outside of course participants, which include your fellow students, teaching assistants, or graduate assistants, and any guest faculty or community-based learning partners with whom we may engage during a class session. You may not share recordings outside of this course. Doing so may result in disciplinary action.

Zoom Meetings
This class may require that you participate in scheduled Zoom meetings. The purpose of these sessions are for you to view live demonstrations of the course material and/or to participate in small discussion groups with your classmates.

Students are expected to participate in these sessions with a microphone. The sessions will be recorded and provided so that they can be reviewed by classmates at a later time. Students should not record the sessions and post them to any sites outside of Blackboard.

Netiquette
As we know, sometimes communication online can be challenging. It’s possible to miscommunicate what we mean or to misunderstand what our classmates mean given the lack of body language and immediate feedback. Therefore, please keep these netiquette (network etiquette) guidelines in mind. Failure to observe them may result in disciplinary action.

- Always consider audience. This is a college-level course; therefore, all communication should reflect polite consideration of other’s ideas.
- Respect and courtesy must be provided to classmates and to the instructor at all times. No harassment or inappropriate postings will be tolerated.
- When reacting to someone else’s message, address the ideas, not the person. Post only what anyone would comfortably state in a face-to-face situation.
- Blackboard is not a public internet venue; all postings to it should be considered private and confidential. Whatever is posted on in these online spaces is intended for classmates and professor only. Do not share documents on a publicly accessible website, blog, or other space.