

Fundamentals of Geotechnical Engineering – III CEng3143 Tentative Lecture Plan 2012EC Semester I (Winter 2019)

Week (2019GC)	Session	Delivery	Subject	Learning Outcome (Competence) Students will be able to	
39 [SEP. 23 - 29]	1	Discussion	Starting Session	Introduction & Formalities	
	2	Lecture / Exercise	1. Soil Compressibility & Settlement Analysis 1.1 Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Calculate stresses in soils (assuming elastic behavior) from external loads and describe the concept of contact pressure ✓ Articulate stress states and stress paths. ✓ Describe the compressibility characteristics of soil ✓ Differentiate between the different components of soil settlement 	
	3	Lecture / Exercise	1.2 Immediate Settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe and compute elastic settlement for different soils and contact ✓ Elastic Compression for Cohesive Soils / Cohesionless Soils 	
40 [SEP. 30 – OCT. 6]	1	Lecture / Exercise	1.3 Primary Consolidation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Have a basic understanding of soil consolidation under vertical loads. ✓ Articulate the mechanism of primary consolidation 	
	2	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Understand and appreciate the effect of stress history on consolidation ✓ Differentiate between normal & over-consolidation phenomena. 	
	3	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Know and determine primary consolidation parameters ✓ Compute primary consolidation 	
41 [OCT. 7 - 13]	1	Lecture / Exercise	1.4 Secondary Compression	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe and compute secondary consolidation ✓ Differentiate between the two creep hypotheses 	
	2	Lecture / Exercise	1.5 Rate of Consolidation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate the fundamentals of rate of consolidation ✓ Be able to derive the fundamental governing equation 	
	3	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Compute rate of consolidation parameters ✓ Interpret the field implications of rate of settlement 	
42 [OCT. 14 - 20]	1	Lecture / Exercise	1.6 Oedometer Testing and Result Interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Grasp holistic knowledge of the working mechanism and procedure of oedometer testing; identify data collected, quantities calculated for plotting and parameters up for interpretation. 	
	2	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Perform settlement computation using oedometer test data 	
	3	Lab. practice		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Perform Oedometer testing and produce a lab report on it 	
	Assignment 1		Computation of amount and rate of settlement for the Leaning Tower Pisa using Settle3D		
	Mini project		Production of physical model for the Spring-Mass analogy developed by Karl von Terzaghi		

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43 [OCT. 21 - 27]	1	Lecture / Exercise	2. Shear Strength of Soils 2.1 Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate the basics of shearing resistance ✓ Revise fundamentals of principal stresses & principal planes ✓ Understand typical responses of soils to shearing forces
	2	Lecture / Exercise	2.2 Failure Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the essence of failure criterion, genesis and its uses ✓ Describe the different temporal loading conditions on soil mass
	3	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Differentiate between Tresca & Mohr-Coulomb failure criteria ✓ Differentiate among other failure criteria
44 [OCT. 28 – NOV. 3]	1	Lecture / Exercise	2.3 Laboratory Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Grasp the working mechanism and procedure of direct shear test / unconfined compression / triaxial test; identify data collected, quantities calculated for plotting and parameters up for interpretation.
	2	Exercise		
	3	Exercise		
45 [NOV. 4 - 10]	1	Lecture / Exercise	2.4 Field Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the working principles of the different types of field tests available for shear strength determination ✓ Be able to interpret results of vane shear test and CPT test
	2	Lecture / Exercise	2.6 Sensitivity & Thixotropy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe and compute sensitivity parameter ✓ Articulate thixotropy phenomena
	3	Lab. practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Perform direct shear tests and produce a lab report of acceptable standard ➤ Perform unconfined compression & triaxial testing and produce a lab report of acceptable standard 	
	Assignment 2		Produce a poster presentation of the various shear strength tests	
46 [NOV. 11 - 17]	1	Lecture / Exercise	3. Lateral Earth Pressure 3.1 Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the purpose, types etc of retaining walls ✓ Differentiate between at rest, active & passive earth pressure
	2	Lecture / Exercise	3.2 Earth pressure theories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate Rankine's theory and learn the expressions for granular & cohesive materials
	3	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the genesis of tension cracks and their implications ✓ Be able to determine critical depth of unsupported cuts in cohesive materials
47 [NOV. 18 - 24]	1	Lecture / Exercise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe EP coefficients and their relationship with oedometer testing ✓ Articulate Coulomb's theory
	2	Lecture / Exercise	3.3 More on calculation of EP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Learn the effects of the presence of inclined backfill, uniform surcharge, submergence, soil layering, etc on the computation of EP
	3	Lecture / Exercise	3.4 Graphical methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe and calculate EP using Rebhann's and Culmann's methods
	Assignment 3		Write code for computation of lateral earth pressure under various conditions	

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48 [NOV. 25 – DEC. 1]	1	Lecture / Exercise	4. Bearing Capacity of Soils 4.1 Introduction 4.2 Bearing capacity theories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe foundation systems in general and shallow foundations in particular. ✓ Articulate plastic failure theory ✓ Articulate Rankine's and Prandtl's bearing capacity theories
	2	Lecture	4.3 Bearing capacity equations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate the general form of bearing capacity equation and the developments in terms of shape & depth factors, inclined loading, ground & base factors
	3	Lecture / Exercise		
49 [DEC . 2 - 8]	1	Lecture		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the additional considerations in computation of bearing capacity in terms of choice of soil parameters, effect of ground water table, eccentric loading condition, presence of uplift forces
	2	Exercise		
	3	Exercise		
50 [DEC. 9 - 15]	1	Lecture / Exercise	4.4 BC based on serviceability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Be able to determine bearing capacity from settlement (serviceability) requirement
	2	Lecture / Exercise	4.5 Bearing capacity from in-situ tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Be able to determine bearing capacity from standard penetration test and plate loading test
	3	Lecture / Exercise	4.7 Introduction to Eurocode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the provisions in the current Eurocode for bearing capacity of soils
	Assignment 4		Develop MS Excel sheet for determination of bearing capacity under different conditions	
51 [DEC. 16 - 22]	1	Lecture / Exercise	5. Soil Slope Stability 5.1 Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Describe the different types of slope failures & their respective causes ✓ Differentiate between finite and infinite soil slopes ✓ Differentiate between long- and short-term stability analyses ✓ Be able to describe the different pore pressure conditions in soil slopes and compute seepage forces
	2	Lecture / Exercise	5.2 Planar failures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate planar translational slips and stability analysis Perform stability analysis based on total and effective stress basis ✓ Articulate the effect of tension cracks in stability of slopes
	3	Lecture / Exercise	5.3 Rotational failures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Perform stability analysis using the Swedish method of slices & its variations
52 [DEC. 23 - 29]	1	Lecture / Exercise	5.4 Slope stability design charts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Be able to perform slope stability analysis using Taylor's charts, Bishop & Morgenstern's charts, etc
	2	Lecture	5.5 Wedge failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate wedge failure and corresponding stability analysis
	3	Lecture	5.6 Eurocode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Articulate the requirements of Eurocode concerning slope stability
	Assignment 5		Perform soil slope stability analysis using GeoStudio/SLIDE and FLAC-3D/PLAXIS	

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[DEC. 30, 2019 - JAN. 10, 2020]	1	Lecture / Exercise	1.3 Janbu's Modulus Concept & Settlement Analysis	Stress-dependent modulus Settlement calculation
	2	Lecture / Exercise		Rate of consolidation
	3	Lecture / Exercise		Oedometer testing & result interpretation
	1	Lecture / Exercise	2.5 Stress-strain paths	More on triaxial testing Modulus from triax Triaxial data interpretation
	2	Lecture / Exercise		
	3	Lecture	2.7 Dilatancy & Liquefaction	
	1	Lecture / Exercise	3.5 NTNU method of calculating earth pressure	Stress fields Su analysis α - ϕ analysis
	2	Lecture / Exercise	4.6 Bearing capacity from stress fields	Su analysis α - ϕ analysis
	3	Lecture / Exercise	5.4 Slope stability design charts	NTNU charts
	1	Lecture / Exercise	6. Fundamentals of Unsaturated Soil Mechanics	6.1 Peculiar Phenomena in the Framework of Unsaturated Conditions
	2	Lecture / Exercise		6.2 Stress Variables for Unsaturated Soils 6.3 Conduction Phenomena in Unsaturated Media
	3	Lecture / Exercise		6.4 Macroscopic Physical Behavior of Unsaturated Soil Mass 6.5 Earth Pressure for Partially Saturated Soils 6.6 Bearing Capacity of Partially Saturated Soils 6.7 Stability Issues in Unsaturated Soil Slopes
	JAN. 11		Submission and defense of semester-based mini-project	
JAN. 13 - 27		Final Examination		