AME 530b: Dynamics of Incompressible Fluids (3.0 Units)
Spring 2016
12:30-1.50pm Monday and Wednesday

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Textbook and Other Resources:
There is no required text for this class, but A First Course in Turbulence by H. Tennekes and J. Lumley will prove very useful for the second half of the course. Readings will be suggested from this book to complement the material covered in class.

Other useful books:
- An Introduction to Fluid Dynamics by G. K. Batchelor, Cambridge University Press
- Turbulent Flows by S. B. Pope, Cambridge University Press
- Incompressible Flow by R. L. Panton, Wiley

Finally, there is a series of 39 videos developed by the National Committee for Fluid Mechanics Films (NCFMF) that I would highly recommend for anyone interested in Fluid Dynamics: http://web.mit.edu/hml/ncmf.html

Topics Covered:
1. Review: Methods of Analysis
   a. Dimensional Analysis
   b. Asymptotic and Local Invariance
2. The Navier-Stokes Equation
   a. Convective Derivative
   b. Velocity Gradient and Stress Tensors
   c. Energy Dissipation
   d. Reynolds Number
3. Vorticity Dynamics
   a. Vorticity and Angular Momentum
   b. Classical ‘Inviscid’ Theories
   c. Viscous Effects
4. Boundary Layers and Related Topics
   a. Flat Plate Boundary Layer
   b. Unsteady Boundary Layers (+Perturbation Analyses)
   c. Pressure Gradients and Separation

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5. Turbulence
   a. Definition
   b. Origins of Turbulence in Shear Flows
   c. Length and Velocity scales (Kolmogorov)
   d. Reynolds Averaging and the Closure Problem
   e. Energetics and Vorticity Dynamics
   f. Spectral Description

   b. Wall-bounded Flows (Pipes, Channels, Boundary Layers)

Assessment:
Homework: 60% (5 total)
Final Exam: 40% (take-home)

There will be five homework assignments, and you will generally get two weeks per assignment. You are allowed to discuss homework problems with each other, but your solutions must be your own. Homework assignments that are late will be penalized 25% for each day after the due date. The final exam will be a take-home open-book exam that will involve solving research-level problems. Please notify the instructor ahead of time if you are unable to meet a homework or examination deadline.

Desire2Learn (D2L):
D2L is the newest USC Viterbi course management platform, and we will use it extensively. All lecture notes and videos will be made available online through this website. The D2L system will also be set up with a discussion forum for the homework assignments (see Supplementary Materials). Students are encouraged to use this for peer-to-peer discussions, and the Instructor or TA will chime in as necessary.

Please familiarize yourself with the D2L system as soon as possible.
https://courses.uscden.net/d2l/home

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not English should check with the American Language Institute (http://dornsife.usc.edu/ali), which sponsors courses and workshops specifically for international graduate students.

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