2013 Fall Semester — **Tentative** Course Syllabus

Lecture	Wednesday	6:40p.m. to 9:20p.m.	RTH 115			
Professor	Dr. A. M. Niazy, P.E.					
Email	Niazy@usc.edu					
Textbook • Required	R. F. Gibson, "Principles of Composite Materials Mechanics," 3rd Edition, CRC Press, Inc., 2012, ISBN-13: 978-1-4398-5005-3.					
References	1. A. K. Kaw, "Mechanics of Composite Materials," 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition, CRC Press, Inc., 2005. (Recommended)					
	2. E. J. Barbero, "Introduction to Composite Materials Design," 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition, CRC Press, Inc., 2011, ISBN-13: 978-1-4200-7915-9.					
	3. R. M. Jones, "Mechanics of Composite Materials," 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition, Taylor & Francis, Inc., 1999.					
	4. M. W. Hyer, "Stress Analysis of Fiber-Reinforced Composite Materials," McGraw-Hill Inc., 1998.					
	5. Y. C. Fung, "Foundation of Solid Mechanics," Prentice Hall, 1969.					
	6. Reddy, J. N., "Theory and Analysis of Elastic Plates and Shells," CRC, 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition, December 2006.					
	7. P.L. Gould, "Analysis of Shells and Plates," Prentice Hall, 1999.					
	8. R. Szilard., "Theory and Analysis of Plates," Prentice Hall, 1974.					
	9. S. Timoshenko and S. Woinowsky-Krieger, "Theory of Plates and Shells," 2nd Ed., McGraw-Hill, 1959.					
Course Description	Structural mechanics and applications of composites are discussed: anisotropic materials; laminated composites; buckling and dynamics; strength and failure; inter-laminar stresses; de-lamination; design considerations.					
Course Objectives	To achieve fundamental understanding of the subject of structural mechanics of composite materials and applications in aerospace, civil, and mechanical engineering.					
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>Introduction</li> <li>Anisotropic Elasticity</li> <li>Thin Plate Theory         <ul> <li>Kirchhoff Hypothesis</li> <li>Solutions</li> </ul> </li> <li>Classic Lamination Theory         <ul> <li>ABD matrix</li> </ul> </li> <li>Strength and Failure         <ul> <li>Maximum stress/Strain</li> <li>More criteria</li> </ul> </li> <li>Micromechanics of Composites         <ul> <li>Stiffness</li> <li>Strength</li> </ul> </li> <li>Laminate Design         <ul> <li>Stress Concentration</li> <li>Fracture</li> <li>Joints</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					

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Policies on:					
Exams	<ul> <li>Closed book.</li> <li>Only one sheet of 8.5" x 11" paper (two pages) of formulae allowed.</li> <li>Calculator.</li> <li>Students must turn in questions sheets with their answer sheets at the end of each exam.</li> </ul>				
Homework	Homework problems, which are assigned weekly, are <b>due on</b> the following <b>Wednesday</b> , by <b>6:40</b> p.m. in Los Angeles, CA, USA; <b>unless otherwise instructed</b> .				
Late work	Not to be accepted.				
Make-up work	No make-up on any examinations.				
Incomplete work	Will be graded accordingly.				
Extra credit	No extra Credit.				
Final grade scheme is based on percentages of graded coursework	Homework 20 %				
	Midterm 20 %				
	Project 20 %				
	Final Exam 40 %				
	Total 100 %				

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## **Tentative Lectures and Class Calendar**

Week	Wednesday	Topics	Textbook Reading Assignments	Assignment	Delivery
1	28-Aug	Introduction	Sections 1.1-1.4, 1.6, 1.7, Appendix A	HW 1	
2	4-Sep	Anisotropic Elasticity	Chapter 2 all, Appendix B, Appendix C	HW 2	HW 1
3	11-Sep	Isotropic Thin Plate Theory: Kirchhof Hypothesis		HW 3	HW2
4	18-Sep	Isotropic Thin Plate Theory: D.E. of Equilibrium & B.C.			HW3
5	25-Sep	Isotropic Thin Plate Theory: D.E. Solutions		HW 4	
6	2-Oct	Classic Lamination Theory: ABD Matrix	7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5		HW 4
7	9-Oct	Midterm Exam (90 minutes)/ Project Discussion		Project	
8	16-Oct	Classic Lamination Theory. Bending, Buckling, Vibration	7.9, 8.3.3	HW 5	
9	23-Oct	Strength and Failure: Introduction, Maximum stress/strain, Tsai-Hill Criteria	4.1, 4.2, 10.3.1- 10.3.3	HW 6	HW 5
10	30-Oct	Strength and Failure: More failure criteria	4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.2.3	HW 7	
11	6-Nov	Micromechanics of Composites: Stiffness & Strength	3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 4.3	HW 8	HW 6
12	13-Nov	Micromechanics of Composites: Strength	3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 4.3	HW 9	HW7
13	20-Nov	Laminate Design: Fatigue, Stress Concentration	7.4, 7.8.1, 7.10		Project/ HW8
13	27-Nov	No Class. Day before Thanksgiving Holiday			
15	4-Dec	Laminate Design: Interlaminar Stressess, Fracture	7.7, 9.1, 9.2, 9.2.2		HW9
16	11-Dec	Final Exam (120 minutes)			

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USC seeks to maintain an optimal learning environment. General principles of academic honesty include the concept of respect for the intellectual property of others, the expectation that individual work will be submitted unless otherwise allowed by an instructor, and the obligations both to protect one's own academic work from misuse by others as well as to avoid using another's work as one's own.

All students are expected to understand and abide by these principles. *SCampus*, the Student Guidebook, contains the Student Conduct Code in Section 11.00, while the recommended sanctions are located in Appendix A:

## http://www.usc.edu/dept/publications/SCAMPUS/gov/

Students will be referred to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs and Community Standards for further review, should there be any suspicion of academic dishonesty. The Review process can be found at:

http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/SJACS/

### STATEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Any student requesting academic accommodations based on a disability is required to register with Disability Services and Programs (DSP) each semester. A letter of verification for approved accommodations can be obtained from DSP. Please be sure the letter is delivered to me (or to TA) as early in the semester as possible.

#### **DSP Contact Information**

Location: STU 301

Hours open: 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday — Friday

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