



**Philadelphia University**  
**Faculty of Engineering & Technology**  
Department of Electrical Engineering  
First Semester 2024/2025

## Course Information

<b>Course Title:</b>	<b>Finite Element Method (620302)</b>
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	<b>Applied Engineering Mathematics</b>
<b>Credit Hours:</b>	3 credit hours (16 weeks per semester, approximately 44 contact hours)
<b>Textbook:</b>	Dary L. Logann, first course in finite element method, 5 <sup>th</sup> edition, Cengage Learning.
<b>References:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>David Hutton, fundamentals of finite element analysis, 1<sup>st</sup> edition, McGraw Hill.</li><li>Rao, Singiresu S, The finite element method in engineering, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, Elsevier.</li></ul>
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="https://www.philadelphia.edu.jo/academics/mgogazeh/">https://www.philadelphia.edu.jo/academics/mgogazeh/</a>
<b>Course Description:</b>	Finite element method development and its applications in mechanical systems such as mechanics of solids, heat transfer and dynamical systems.
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<b>Course Coordinator:</b>	-----
<b>Technology Requirements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Personal computer, laptop, or mobile phone.</li><li>Internet Connection.</li><li>Access to Philadelphia University E-Learning Portal (MS Teams and Moodle)</li></ul>
<b>Learning Style:</b>	F2F
<b>Communication:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Announcement: the announcements will be posted in MS Teams or Moodle on a regular basis.</li><li>Email.</li><li>MS Teams or Moodle chats.</li></ul>
<b>Course Objectives:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Derive the element stiffness matrices for truss, beam and simple planar elements.</li><li>Understand discretization techniques</li><li>apply appropriate constraints and boundary conditions to finite element models</li></ol>

## Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) and Relation to ABET Student Outcomes

CLOs	Outcomes	ABET PLOs
<b>K1</b>	Basic sciences principles	1
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Grading Policy and Assessment Instruments					
Graded Item	Marks	Topic (s)	CLO(s)	Learning Portal (Teams/ Moodle/ F2F/ Others)	Week
Assignment 1	10	On a topic from materials of weeks 1-10	K1	Moodle	11
Quiz 1	10	On a topic from materials of weeks 1-4	K1	F2F	5
Quiz 2	10	On a topic from materials of weeks 9, 13	K1	F2F	12
Mid Exam	30%	Topics discussed from Week 1 to week 8	K1	F2F	8
Final Exam	40%	All the topics discussed in class room	K1	F2F	16
<b>Total Marks</b>	<b>100%</b>				
<b>Notes:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two written exams will be given.</li> <li>• Copying homework is forbidden, any student caught copying the homework or any part of the homework will receive zero marks for that homework.</li> <li>• Quizzes: 10-minute quizzes will be given to the students during the semester. These quizzes will cover material discussed during the previous lecture(s).</li> <li>• Homework: Problem sets will be given to students. Homework should be solved individually and submitted before the due date.</li> <li>• The final exam will cover all the class material.</li> </ul>				

Course Content: Learning Resources/ References/ Activities/ Assessment Methods							
Week	Lecture	Topic	CLOs	Learning Resources/ References/ Activities/ Assessment Method	Learning Style (F2F, Synchronous, Asynchronous)	Learning & Teaching Methods	Assessment Method
1	L1	Introduction to finite element	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references. Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 1
	L2						
2	L1	Review of matrix operations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 1
	L2						
3	L1	Stiffness displacement method	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 1 + Mid and final exams
	L2						
4	L1	Stiffness displacement method	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 1 + Mid and final exams
	L2						

5	L1	Truss equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Mid and final exams
	L2						
6	L1	Truss equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Mid and final exams
	L2						
7	L1	Truss equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Mid and final exams
	L2						
8	L1	Beam equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Mid and final exams
	L2						
9	L1	Beam equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 2 + Final exam
	L2						
10	L1	Frame and grid equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 2 + Final exam
	L2						
11	L1	Frame and grid equations	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 2 + Final exam
	L2						
12	L1	Structural dynamics and modal analysis	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 2 + Final exam
	L2						
13	L1	Structural dynamics and modal analysis	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Quiz 2 + Final exam
	L2						
14	L1	Heat and mass transfer	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Final exam
	L2						
15	L1	Heat and mass transfer	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Final exam
	L2						
16	L1	Review, and final exam	K1	Resources: Text book, handouts and references Activities: oral discussion in classroom, solving problems on board by students	F2F	Lecture based instruction	Final exam
	L2						

**Notes:**

For Blended and F2F Courses: L1 & L2 each 1 hour.

For Online Course: L1 and L2 each 1.5 hours.

Credit Hours Distribution Report	
Learning Style	Credit Hours
F2F	48
Synchronous	0
Asynchronous	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Academic Honesty/ Student Conduct</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ As a student at Philadelphia University, you are expected to follow the university regulations and guidelines for academic honesty/student conduct found in student handbook.</li> <li>○ This means that you should not cheat, plagiarize and let another student use your account in LMS learning portals.</li> </ul>
<b>Attendance Policy</b>	Absence from classes and/or tutorials shall not exceed 15%. Students who exceed the 15% limit without a medical or emergency excuse, acceptable to and approved by the Dean of the relevant college/faculty, shall not be allowed to take the final examination and shall receive a mark of zero for the course. If the excuse is approved by the Dean, the student shall be considered to have withdrawn from the course.

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