

Surface Water Quality Modeling CEE 577
Course Outline- Spring 2020

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Class Hours: Lecture: MWF 9:05-9:55; Engineering Laboratory Rm 305,
Office Hours: 10:10 am-11:00 pm, Wednesday & Thursday

Computer: We will access computer models in MATLAB, Microsoft Excel, R, etc.

Objectives (Catalog Description): Evaluation and control of water quality in streams, lakes, and estuaries. Mathematical analyses of patterns of water movement and their relation to water quality. Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) allocation design. *Prerequisite:* CEE 370. [MATH 331, CHEM 112, CEE 357]

Goals (similar to ABET Outcomes) for CEE 577

1. To provide a fundamental understanding of the means by which water quality models are formulated so that the students are able to adapt existing models to new situations.
2. To provide the students with some direct exposure to models currently used in environmental engineering practice for predicting water quality in rivers and lakes. This will equip them with the knowledge to apply such models to solve simple wasteload allocation problems.
3. To instruct as to how water quality data can be analyzed and interpreted.
4. To show how water quality models may be calibrated, verified, and applied to environmental engineering problems, such as total maximum daily loads or fate and transport modeling of toxic organic chemicals.
5. To further develop the students' skills at working in teams, and presenting results in the form of written engineering reports and oral presentations to clients or to the public.
6. To acquaint the student with current issues in surface water quality; and to make them aware of the technical, political, ethical and sociological components of these issues.

Coursework (Outcome Measures and Assessment): The Instructor will assess the student performance by grading the following coursework:

- 2 Exams @ 20% Each (40% total)
- 6 Problem Sets @ 4% Each (24% total)
- Reflections @ 5% Total (5% total)
- Workshop @ 2% Each (6% total)
- Design\Modeling Paper @ 10%
- Design\Modeling Presentation @ 15%

(100%)

You must accumulate at least 60% to pass the course.

Exams: Exams will be proctored, timed, tests of your individual knowledge. Calculators should be brought to exams, but no other electronic devices are permitted (e.g. no cell phones, iPads, tablets, etc., no electronic access to pdfs). One prepared sheet (of Equations/Definitions) will be allowed.

Homework Problem Sets: The problem set questions will be listed at the start of each lesson. Your solutions must be turned in as hardcopy form on engineering grid paper. Multiple pages must be

stapled and have your last name at the top-right. *These will be collected from you in class only, and on the due date. No late homework will be accepted, and no handing in of assignments by someone else. Your corrected problem sets and exams will be available in class following three class sessions, to be picked up by you, and only you.*

Reflections and Workshops: 30 reflections (submitted to website, posted to blogsite (cee5772020.tumblr.com), code via course number) will be incorporated into the daily lesson plans to prompt individual participation. Students will host a short in-class workshop (up to 3 times) on a journal article that describes, develops, or critiques a surface water quality model, concept, or theory.

Students will evaluate the course design and materials as well as the instructor at the end of the semester to provide feedback to the department on the perceived quality of the learning resources and the effectiveness of the instructor's content delivery.

Announcement about Disability Services (DS): The University of Massachusetts Amherst is committed to making reasonable, effective, and appropriate accommodations to meet the needs of students with disabilities and help create a barrier-free campus. If you have a documented disability on file with Disability Services (www.umass.edu/disability), you may be eligible for reasonable accommodations in this course. If your disability requires an accommodation, please notify your instructors as early as possible in the course so that we may make arrangements in a timely manner.

Cell Phones: Please ensure that you turn off mobile devices or set them to airplane mode before lectures.

Required Text: Chapra, S.C. Surface Water Quality Modeling, Paperback: Waveland Press, 2008, or Hardbound: McGraw Hill, 1997

Outline:

1. Completely Mixed Systems
 - CSTR, waste loadings, steady state and time variable solutions
2. Incompletely Mixed Systems
 - PFR, mixed-flow, diffusion, dispersion
3. Water Quality Environments
 - Rivers, lakes, estuaries

Exam #1 (In Class, 50 minutes)

4. Dissolved Oxygen and Pathogens
 - Streeter-Phelps, BOD, DO, Nitrogen
5. Eutrophication and Temperature
 - Algal growth, heat budgets, light effects
6. Computer Mechanistic Models
 - QUAL2E, EXAMS
7. Stochastic Models
 - Export coefficients, phosphorous loading functions
8. Chemical Modeling
 - Heavy metals, toxic organics, pharmaceutically-active compound

Exam #2 (In Class, 50 minutes)

Tentative Schedule of Topics

| Wk | Dates | Topics | Readings |
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| 1 | Jan 22 | I. Completely Mixed Systems Introduction to Water Quality Estimation | 1) Chapra L1 |
| | Jan 24 | Reaction Kinetics | 2) Chapra L2 |
| 2 | Jan 27 | Mass Balance, Steady-State Soln, and Response Time | 3) Chapra L3 |
| | Jan 29 | Particular Solutions | 4) Chapra L4 |
| | Jan 31 | Computer Methods: Well-Mixed Reactors | 5) Chapra L7 |
| | | HW1: [] | |
| 3 | Feb 3 | II. Incompletely Mixed Systems Diffusion | 6) Chapra L8 |
| | Feb 5 | Distributed Systems (Steady-State) | 7) Chapra L9 |
| | Feb 7 | Distributed Systems (Time-Variable) | 8) Chapra L10 |
| | | HW2: [] | |
| 4 | Feb 10 | III. Water-Quality Environments Rivers & Streams | 9) Chapra L14 |
| | Feb 12 | Lake & Impoundments | 10) Chapra L16 |
| | Feb 14 | Sediments | 11) Chapra L17 |
| 5 | Feb 17 (Mon) | HOLIDAY- PRESIDENT'S DAY | |
| | Feb 19 | The "Modeling" Environment | 12) Chapra 18 |
| | | HW3: [] | |
| | Feb 21 (Fri) | EXAM 1 | |
| 6 | Feb 24 | IV. Dissolve Oxygen and Pathogens BOD and Oxygen Saturation | 13) Chapra L19 |
| | Feb 26 | Gas Transfer Oxygen Reaeration | 14) Chapra L20 |
| | Feb 28 | Streeter-Phelps: Point Sources | 15) Chapra L21 |
| 7 | Mar 2 | Streeter-Phelps: Distributed Sources | 16) Chapra L22 |
| | Mar 4 | Nitrogen | 17) Chapra L23 |
| | Mar 6 | Photosynthesis/Respiration | 18) Chapra L24 |
| 8 | Mar 9 | Sediment Oxygen Demand | 19) Chapra L25 |
| | Mar 11 | Computer Methods QUAL2K | 20) Chapra L26 |
| | | HW4: [] | |
| | Mar 13 | NO CLASS | |
| 9 | Mar 16 (Mo-F) | SPRING RECESS | |

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| 10 | Mar 23 | NO CLASS | |
| | Mar 25 | V. Eutrophication and Temperature The Eutrophication Problem and Nutrients | 21) Chapra L28 |
| | Mar 27 | Phosphorus Loading Concept | 22) Chapra L29 |
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| 11 | Mar 30 | Heat Budgets | 23) Chapra L30 |
| | Apr 1 | Plant Growth and Nonpredatory Losses | 24) Chapra L33 |
| | Apr 3 | Eutrophication in Flowing Waters | 25) Chapra L36 |
| | | | HW5: [] |
| 12 | Apr 6 | VI. Toxics Introduction to Toxic-Substance Modeling | 26) Chapra L40 |
| | Apr 8 | Mass-Transfer Mechanisms: Sorption and Volatilization | 27) Chapra L41 |
| | Apr 10 | Reaction Mechanisms: Photolysis, Hydrolysis, and Biodegradation | 28) Chapra L42 |
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| 13 | Apr 13 | Radionuclides and Metals | 29) Chapra L43 |
| | Apr 15 | Toxicant Modeling in Flowing Waters | 30) Chapra L44 |
| | | | HW6: [] |
| | Apr 17 | EXAM 2 | |
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| 14 | Apr 20 (Mon) | Holiday- Patriot's Day | |
| | Apr 22 | VII. Special Topics: | 31) Handouts |
| | Apr 24 | VII. Special Topics: | 32) Handouts |
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| 15 | Apr 27 | VII. Special Topics: | 33) Handouts |
| | Apr 29 | VII. Special Topics: | 34) Handouts |
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