
BAE Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering

- BAE 102 INTRODUCTION TO BIOSYSTEMS ENGINEERING. (1)**
An introduction to the engineering of food and fiber production and processing systems. Professionalism and the engineering approach will be emphasized.
- BAE 103 ENERGY IN BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS. (2)**
This course introduces the concepts of energy transport in biological systems including the study of thermodynamics, heat transfer, psychometrics, and fluid flow. Prereq or concur: MA 113.
- BAE 201 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF BIOSYSTEMS. (2)**
The financial and managerial aspects of biosystems in evaluating design alternatives. Typical topics included are: concepts of present and future value, techniques of managerial economics, and biosystem design analysis in the evaluation of alternatives. Retirement/replacement policies and risk analysis. Prereq: MA 113.
- BAE 202 PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS FOR BIOSYSTEMS. (3)**
Introduction to biosystems engineering: engineering problem solving; computer applications and structured programming; probability; and statistics. Emphasis on application of these skills to biosystems applications. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: MA 113 and sophomore standing.
- BAE 305 DC CIRCUITS AND MICROELECTRONICS. (3)**
An introduction to the use of digital electronics and integrated circuits in solving biosystems engineering problems. Digital circuits, microprocessor concepts, computer interfacing, transducers, signal conditioning and control applications are discussed. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: EE 305 or EE 306.
- BAE 400 SENIOR SEMINAR. (1)**
A course for senior students in biosystems and agricultural engineering with emphasis on oral communications skills. Students will do literature searches on topics related to the biosystems and agricultural engineering profession and present oral and written reports. Prereq: Senior standing in BAE and COM 199.
- BAE 402 BIOSYSTEMS AND AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING DESIGN I. (2)**
A design course for seniors in BAE requiring students to solve open-ended problems. Students will use previously learned engineering principles to produce actual designs which will be built and analyzed in BAE 403. Prereq: Engineering standing in BAE or consent of instructor.
- BAE 403 BIOSYSTEMS AND AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING DESIGN II. (2)**
Student design teams evaluate and enhance design solutions, fabricate prototypes, execute performance tests, analyze results, and develop final design specifications. Oral and written reports are required. Prereq: BAE 402.
- BAE 417 DESIGN OF MACHINE SYSTEMS. (3)**
A study of the operational characteristics and design features associated with production and processing equipment for food and fiber products and an introduction to conceptualization, analysis and design of these systems. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: EM 313, ME 330, engineering standing or consent of instructor.
- BAE 427 STRUCTURES AND ENVIRONMENT ENGINEERING. (3)**
This course teaches load estimate for light timber and concrete structures and introduces the design of heating, cooling, and ventilation systems in these structures. Prereq: EM 302; prereq or concur: ME 325, or consent of instructor.
- BAE 435G WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR BIOSYSTEMS. (3)**
A study of the characteristics; treatment and utilization principles; and analysis and design of systems for managing waste from the production and processing of food and fiber. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, three hours per week. Prereq: MA 214 and BIO 108.
- BAE 437 LAND AND WATER RESOURCES ENGINEERING. (3)**
The hydrologic cycle is studied and design procedures are developed for flood control structures, water table management, wetlands, irrigation, and erosion control systems. Prereq: CE 341 or ME 330.

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BAE 438G FUNDAMENTALS OF GROUNDWATER HYDROLOGY. (3)

The first course in the physics of saturated flow in porous media. Topics include groundwater occurrence, Darcian flow, well hydraulics, flow nets, layered systems flow and pollutant movement. Prereq: ME 330 or CE 341 or consent of instructor, and engineering standing. (Same as CE 460.)

BAE 447 BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING FUNDAMENTALS. (3)

Design principles and equipment selection for the most common processing operations are studied for the manufacturing and preservation of biological materials. Topics will include the design of fluid flow systems, transient heat transfer, heat exchangers, psychometrics, and refrigeration. Prereq: ME 325 and engineering standing.

BAE 450 SPECIAL PROBLEMS. (1-3)

An intensive study of some phases of biosystems and agricultural engineering in which the student is particularly interested. Approval of instructor is required. May be repeated to a maximum of six credits.

BAE 502 MODELING OF BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS. (3)

The course will focus on the mathematical description and computer simulation of the complex interactions involved in biological systems. Computer simulation will be used as a tool to analyze and suggest design changes to optimize performance. Prereq: Bio science elective, ME 340, and two "core" courses.

BAE 513 SOIL DYNAMICS IN TILLAGE AND TRACTION. (3)

A course for advanced undergraduate and graduate students which presents the principles of dynamic soil-machine interaction. The performance characteristics of tractive devices are presented along with the corresponding soil compliance. Soil response to mechanical disturbance or tillage is also presented. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: EM 313, BAE 417.

BAE 515 FLUID POWER SYSTEMS. (3)

Analysis and design of fluid power systems used in agricultural, industrial and processing equipment. Selected topics to include: positive displacement components, control devices, actuators, fluid transmission and system dynamics. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: ME 330, ME 340 and engineering standing.

BAE 517 OFF-ROAD VEHICLE DESIGN. (3)

Morphology, operational characteristics, and design considerations of off-road vehicles used in agriculture, forestry and construction. This course provides an introduction to conceptualization, analysis and design of these vehicles. Topics to be addressed include: engine performance and design, vehicle testing, turbo chargers and intercoolers, drivetrains, chassis mechanics, electronic systems, hydraulic systems, and human factors.

BAE 532 INTRODUCTION TO STREAM RESTORATION. (3)

Introduction to principles of fluvial geomorphology for application in restoring impaired streams. Topics include channel formation processes (hydrology/hydraulics), stream assessment, sediment transport, in-stream structures, erosion control, habitat, and monitoring. Prereq: CE 341 (or equivalent) and engineering standing or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 542.)

BAE 536 FLUVIAL HYDRAULICS. (3)

Rainfall physics, principles of erosion on upland areas and construction sites, stable channel design in alluvial material, mechanics of sediment transport, river mechanics, reservoir sedimentation. Prereq: CE 341 or ME 330 and engineering standing. (Same as CE 546.)

BAE 537 IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE ENGINEERING. (3)

Planning and design of irrigation system; sprinkler, traveling gun, center pivot, trickle, subirrigation and residential and commercial irrigating; pumps; water quality treatment and supply; ponds and wells; principles of water movement and plant-soil relationships; surface and subsurface drainage. Prereq: ME 330 or CE 341 or consent of instructor.

BAE 538 GIS APPLICATIONS FOR WATER RESOURCES. (3)

This course studies the principles, methodology and analysis of geographic information systems and spatially-referenced data unique to water resources and hydrologic modeling. Lectures will explore the latest GIS concepts, hydrologic modeling relationships and data sources and be complimented with computer-based laboratory exercises. Prereq: BAE 437, CE 461G, or consent of instructor.

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- BAE 541 INTERMEDIATE FLUID MECHANICS. (3)**
Application of basic fluid mechanics to problems of importance to civil engineering practice. This includes flow measuring, closed conduit flow and pipe networks, open channel flow, turbomachinery (pumps), hydraulic structures, culvert flow. Prereq: CE 341, CS programming course, and engineering standing or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 541.)
- BAE 545 ENGINEERING HYDRAULICS. (3)**
Analysis of flow in closed conduits and natural and artificial open channels. Design of hydraulic structures. Prereq: CE 541 and engineering standing, or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 549.)
- BAE 549 BIOLOGICAL PROCESS ENGINEERING. (3)**
An analysis of processing operations for the conversion or generation of biological materials. The course material applies thermodynamics, heat transfer, mass and energy balances, and reaction kinetics to biological process operations such as sterilization, fermentation, product recovery, freezing, drying, evaporation, and refrigeration. Applications include biomedical, food processing, and biochemical and biofuel production from biomass. Prereq: BAE 447 or consent of instructor.
- BAE 556 SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT. (3)**
Study of the generation and management of solid and hazardous wastes. Application of engineering principles to the collection, transport, processing, resource recovery and ultimate disposal of these wastes. Prereq: CE 471G, CE 521 or consent of instructor and engineering standing. (Same as CE 556.)
- BAE 580 HEATING, VENTILATING AND AIR CONDITIONING. (3)**
A course emphasizing the use of thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, and heat transfer principles in thermal environmental design. Building energy requirements will be computed and thermal comfort criteria will be studied. Prereq: BAE 427 or ME 321 or consent of instructor. (Same as ME 580.)
- BAE 581 PHYSICS OF PLANT AND ANIMAL ENVIRONMENTS. (3)**
A study of the thermal, moisture, light, and gaseous components of plant and animal environments with emphasis on interactions between these biological systems and their environments. Prereq: BAE 427 or consent of instructor.
- BAE 599 TOPICS IN AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING. (2-3)**
A detailed investigation of a topic of current significance in agricultural engineering such as: design of small earth dams, vacuum dehydration systems, small particle mechanics, environmental control in green houses, sprinkler irrigation, energy conversion in agriculture, bio-simulation. May be repeated to a maximum of six credits, but only three credits can be earned under the same title. A particular topic may be offered at most twice under the BAE 599 number. Prereq: Variable; given when topic identified.
- BAE 618 ADVANCED PLANT, SOIL AND MACHINERY RELATIONSHIPS. (3)**
A consideration of fundamental concepts of energy and materials in the identification and mensuration of parameters needed in the development of new machines for agriculture. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours. Prereq: BAE 417.
- BAE 625 TOPICS IN ADVANCED ENVIRONMENT CONTROL AND ANALYSIS (Subtitle required). (3)**
A study of current research in environment control and analysis of agricultural, commercial and residential structures. May be repeated three times for a maximum of nine credits, but not more than three credits may be earned under a particular topic. Prereq: Senior course in environment control and HVAC, BAE/ME 580, or consent of instructor.
- BAE 638 GROUNDWATER HYDROLOGY. (3)**
The equations of saturated and unsaturated groundwater flow, the formulation of boundary value problems, and some analytical methods of solution. Solutions using Fourier series, solutions involving the Fourier transform and the Fourier sine and cosine transforms. The Boltzman transformation, development of the Philip solution for horizontal and vertical flow. Mathematical statement of the saturated and unsaturated groundwater pollution problem and some analytical methods of solution. The semigroup solution of the resulting evolution equation, examples of solutions using the Laplace transform and the Fourier transform, more complex solutions in two-dimensional and three-dimensional domains, solutions for distributed sources in time and in space, solutions for time-varied boundary conditions. Prereq: MA 214, CE 461G or equivalent. (Same as CE 660.)

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BAE 642 OPEN CHANNEL FLOW. (3)

The study of open channel flow fundamentals and concepts. Topics include uniform flow, varied flow, steady and unsteady flow, energy dissipators, flow transitions, controls, analytical and numerical solutions in 1D and 2D applications. Prereq: CE 541 or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 642.)

#BAE 643 MECHANICS OF SEDIMENT TRANSPORT. (3)

Fundamentals of turbulence in rivers and sediment transport will be taught including recent theory, derivation of governing equations, experimental methods, modeling, and design based on sediment thresholds. Prereq: CE 341 or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 643.)

BAE 647 SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION I. (3)

Introduction to linear and nonlinear optimization and their use in engineering design. Emphasis on numerical approaches and use of optimization methods for engineering systems (e.g. biological, mechanical, structural). Prereq: CS 221; one mathematics course beyond MA 214 or equivalent. (Same as ME 647.)

BAE 648 ENERGY AND MASS TRANSFER IN AGRICULTURAL PROCESSING. (3)

A comprehensive and in-depth study of the principles of energy and mass transfer as they apply to the processing of agricultural and biological materials. Prereq: BAE 548 or consent of instructor.

BAE 653 WATER QUALITY IN SURFACE WATERS. (3)

Water quality requirements for various beneficial uses. Analysis of dispersion, advection, evaporation, natural aeration, biological oxidation and photosynthesis; their effects on the physical, chemical and biological quality of waters in streams, lakes, reservoirs, estuaries and other surface waters. Eutrophication. Prereq: MA 214 and CE 451, or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 653.)

BAE 658 INSTRUMENTATION FOR ENGINEERING RESEARCH. (3)

Instrumentation and measuring system characteristics; transducers for engineering measurements; and data acquisition and analysis. Lecture, two hours; laboratory, two hours per week. Prereq: Consent of instructor.

BAE 660 SIMILITUDE IN ENGINEERING. (3)

An advanced approach to engineering problems through the theory of similitude and its application to models. The use of geometrically similar, distorted and dissimilar models will be discussed. Prereq: Graduate standing.

BAE 662 STOCHASTIC HYDROLOGY. (3)

Hydrologic random variables and probability distributions. Statistical measures, development and use of Monte Carlo simulations in the generation of precipitation fields. Statistical tests of hydrologic data. Point frequency and regional frequency analysis. Analysis of hydrologic time series. Long-term trend, harmonic analysis of periodicity, autocorrelation, spectral analysis. Correlation and regression analysis. Linear stochastic models. Introduction to stochastic processes in hydrology, real-time hydrologic forecast (Kalman filter), pattern recognition, and stochastic differential equations. Prereq: MA 214, CE 461G or equivalent. (Same as CE 662.)

BAE 665 WATER RESOURCES SYSTEMS. (3)

Application of systems analysis, mathematic modeling, and optimization in water resources management and design. Solution of engineering problems found in water supply, water quality, urban drainage, and river basin development and management by use of linear, nonlinear, and dynamic programming models. Prereq or concur: CE 421 and CE 569 or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 665.)

BAE 667 STORMWATER MODELING. (3)

Introduction to deterministic and parametric modeling approaches for mathematically simulating stormwater runoff and quality. Emphasis on modeling concepts and model formulation. Analysis of deterministic component models and their linkage. Formulation of existing parametric models. Presentation of methods for parameter optimization and regionalization. Demonstration of linkage between the two approaches with illustrative examples. Prereq: CE 341 and CE 461G, or consent of instructor. (Same as CE 667.)

BAE 672 LANDFILL DESIGN. (3)

This course deals with the geotechnical aspects of the design of landfills for the disposal of municipal solid waste. Since landfill design is driven by state and federal regulations, time is taken to review these regulations. Landfills are evaluated as engineered systems consisting of multiple components. Each component is investigated individually, and methods are developed to predict and quantify the performance of these components so that appropriate materials, design criteria, and construction methods can be selected to assure that the landfill will function with minimal environmental impact. Prereq: CE 471G. (Same as CE 672.)

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- BAE 680 BIOCHEMICAL ENGINEERING. (3)**
Principles and design of processes involving biochemical reactions, including aerobic and anaerobic respirations and fermentations, and involving pure and mixed cultures. Energy considerations, heat and mass transfer, biochemical kinetics, and application to biological waste treatment. Prereq: CME 550, CME 630, CHE 440G or consent of instructor. (Same as CME 680.)
- BAE 748 MASTER'S THESIS RESEARCH. (0)**
Half-time to full-time work on thesis. May be repeated to a maximum of six semesters. Prereq: All course work toward the degree must be completed.
- BAE 749 DISSERTATION RESEARCH. (0)**
Half-time to full-time work on dissertation. May be repeated to a maximum of six semesters. Prereq: Registration for two full-time semesters of 769 residence credit following the successful completion of the qualifying exams.
- BAE 750 SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING. (1-3)**
Independent work on selected research problems in one of the various fields of biosystems and agricultural engineering. Consultation and laboratory by appointment. May be repeated three times for a maximum of nine credits. Prereq: Approval of chairperson of department.
- BAE 767 DISSERTATION RESIDENCY CREDIT. (2)**
Residency credit for dissertation research after the qualifying examination. Students may register for this course in the semester of the qualifying examination. A minimum of two semesters are required as well as continuous enrollment (Fall and Spring) until the dissertation is completed and defended.
- BAE 768 RESIDENCE CREDIT FOR MASTER'S DEGREE. (1-6)**
May be repeated to a maximum of 12 hours.
- BAE 769 RESIDENCE CREDIT FOR DOCTOR'S DEGREE. (0-12)**
May be repeated indefinitely.
- BAE 775 SEMINAR. (0)**
Weekly meetings with members of the staff for reports and discussions on research and current trends and practices in agricultural engineering. May be repeated twice. One class hour.
- BAE 795 THESIS. (0)**
May be repeated twice.