NOTE: Double-period academic core courses may utilize the second hour of a lesson a maximum of 10 times per semester. Exemptions may be granted only by the Curriculum Committee. DFF has a temporary exemption for core foreign language courses.

AERONAUTICS (Aero Engr)
Offered by the Department of Aeronautics (DFAN)

Aero Engr 210. Fundamentals of Aeronautics. 3(1). Introduction to aircraft design, fluid mechanics, airfoil and wing aerodynamics, steady and accelerated aircraft performance, and stability and control. Interdisciplinary design synthesis, analysis, and decision-making (including economic, political, and other non-technical considerations) of an aircraft to meet a contemporary requirement. This course is intended for cadets who have declared or are considering declaring the major in Aero Engr. Final exam. Prereq: Comp Sci 110. Coreq: Engr Mech 220. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

This course is a contributor to the development and assessment of the Application of Engineering Methods outcome.

Aero Engr 241. Aero-Thermo-Fluids I. 3(1). Fundamentals of thermodynamics applied to closed systems and control volumes. Fluid properties, the basic equations of motion: the conservation of mass, the linear momentum equations, and conservation of energy (both the differential and the integral forms). Incompressible flow and introduction to compressible flow. Foundations in engineering problem solving. Final exam. Prereq: Physics 110. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 315. Fundamentals of Aeronautics. 3(1). Introduction to aircraft design, fluid mechanics, airfoil and wing aerodynamics, steady and accelerated aircraft performance, and stability and control. Interdisciplinary design synthesis, analysis, and decision-making (including economic, political, and other non-technical considerations) of an aircraft to meet a contemporary requirement. Final exam. Prereq: Comp Sci 110. Coreq: Engr Mech 220. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

This course is a contributor to the development and assessment of the Application of Engineering Methods outcome.

Aero Engr 315S. Fundamentals of Aeronautics for Academy Scholars. 3(1). Introduction to aircraft design, fluid mechanics, airfoil and wing aerodynamics, steady and accelerated aircraft perfonnance, and stability and control. Interdisciplinary design synthesis, analysis, and decision-making (including economic, political, and other non-technical considerations) of an aircraft to meet a contemporary requirement. This course fulfills one of the course requirements for the Academy Scholars Program. Final exam. Prereq: Comp Sci 110. Coreq: Engr Mech 220. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

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Aero Engr 315Z. Fundamentals of Aeronautics – French language section. 3(1). Section taught in French; available for students qualified for Aero Engr 315 and having successfully completed

or validated French 321; counts as a course for the French Language Minor and for a major's foreign language requirement. Requires DFF approval. Final exam. Prereq: Comp Sci 110. Coreq: Engr Mech 220. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

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Aero Engr 341. Aero-Thermo-Fluids II. 3(1). Fundamentals of thermodynamics applied to closed systems and control volumes. Fluid properties, the basic equations of motion: the conservation of mass, the linear momentum equations, and conservation of energy (both the differential and the integral forms). High-speed flows. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 210 or Aero Engr 315; Aero Engr 241. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 342. Computational Aerodynamics. 3(2). This course covers the theory and application of modern computational tools used to predict fluid flows around basic and complex geometries. The course is intended to give the student the necessary knowledge to choose the relevant computational tool and perform independent computational analysis of moderately complex geometries. The course will cover grid generation, computational fluid dynamic (CFD) solvers, and post-processing using state-of-the-art tools, as well as computational potential methods such as panel codes or vortex lattice codes. The course is project-oriented and explores the important concepts of temporal and spatial resolution, stability and convergence, and flow-field analysis. Final project or final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 341 and Math 346. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 351. Aircraft Performance and Static Stability. 3(1). Aircraft force, moment and response definition in various coordinate systems. Takeoff and landing, cruise, climbs, turns and other accelerated performance by both analytic and numerical methods. Static stability and control and related aircraft design considerations. Design project. Final exam. Prereq: Math 243, either Aero Engr 210 or Aero Engr 315, and Engr Mech 220. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 352. Aircraft Dynamic Stability and Control. 3(1). Aircraft equations of motion. Examination of aircraft dynamic modes based on both limited and full degree of freedom models utilizing analytical and numerical methods. Aircraft design considerations. Determination and evaluation of aircraft flying qualities against military specifications. Application of control system theory to the design of aircraft stability augmentation systems and autopilots. Control system design project. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 351 and Math 245. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 361. Propulsion I. 3(1). Introduction to Brayton and jet engine cycles. Application of aero-thermodynamics to aircraft jet engines and major engine components. Overview of the design, performance, and applications of turboprops/shafts, turbofans, turbojets, ramjets, scramjets, and rockets. Focus on preliminary cycle analysis of aircraft gas turbine engines to include mission analysis, parametric cycle analysis, and engine performance analysis. Lab. Design project. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 241 or department approval. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 436. Aeroelasticity. 3(1). Aeroelastic phenomena of an aircraft in flight. Dynamic pressure, Mach and angle of attack effects on the bending and twisting of aircraft components.

Aeroelastic equations and coefficients related to flight characteristics such as flutter and divergence. Design project and/or final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 315 and Engr Mech 330. Coreq: Engr Mech 320. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 442. Advanced Aerodynamics. 3(1). Analytical and numerical solution techniques applied to incompressible, compressible, transonic, and supersonic flight regimes over airfoils, wings, and bodies. Introduction to hypersonic aerodynamics. Techniques include those historically used in incompressible flow up to and including state-of-the-art supersonic solutions using high speed computers. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 342. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 446. Introduction to Hypersonics. 3(1). Analysis of heat transfer and high temperature effects on hypersonic vehicles. Application to reentry and transatmospheric vehicles. Final exam or final project. Prereq: Aero Engr 341. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 447. Advanced Applied Aerodynamics. 3(1). Advanced topics in steady and unsteady aerodynamics in all speed ranges are considered for study by analytical, experimental and computational methods. Final exam or final project. Coreq: Aero Engr 442. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 456. Flight Test Techniques. 3(2). Fundamental flight test methods for defining performance and flying qualities characteristics of fixed wing aircraft. Patterned after the Flight Test Engineer's Course at the USAF Test Pilot School. Students fly in designated aircraft to obtain flight test data. Final project or final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 351 and department approval. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 456L. Flight Test Techniques Laboratory. 1(2). Application of fundamental flight test methods for defining the performance and flying qualities characteristics of high performance fixed wing aircraft. This laboratory experience serves as a final project for Aero Engr 456. Students receive credit for this course by participating in a field trip to Edwards AFB, flight test sortie in a high performance aircraft, creation of a written report, and presentation of a final briefing. This course will be scheduled during the same class period as Aero Engr 456. Coreq: Aero Engr 456 and department approval. Sem hrs: 1 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 457. Aircraft Feedback Control Systems. 3(1). Design and analysis of aircraft stability augmentation and automatic flight control systems by classical root locus and frequency domain techniques. Introduction to digital system analysis. Analytical and numerical methods complemented with aircraft simulation. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 352. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 466. Propulsion II. 3(1). Analysis of advanced aircraft engines. Preliminary aerodynamic and structural design of major engine components including inlets, compressors, combustors, turbines, mixers, afterburners, and nozzles. Final exam. Prereq: Aero Engr 361. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 471. Aeronautics Laboratory. 3(2). Introduction to experimental methods and techniques. Introduction to instrumentation and data acquisition systems. Statistical analysis of data. Selected experiments in the fields of aerodynamics, gas dynamics, propulsion, and flight

mechanics. Labs. Final report. Prereq: Aero Engr 341 and ECE 315. Coreq: Math 356. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 472. Advanced Computational Aerodynamics. 3(1). Advanced theory and application of computational tools used to predict and analyze fluid flows of interest supporting USAF research, development, test, and evaluation programs. Working in teams, students will gain the necessary knowledge and background to make contributions using the DoD's High Performance Computing (HPC) Modernization Program resources. Projects will include investigation of unsteady flows, boundary layers, turbulence models, shocks, and multi-physics simulations. Final report. Prereq: Aero Engr 342. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 481. Introduction to Aircraft and Propulsion System Design. 3(2). Fundamentals of aircraft and propulsion system design taught using a systems engineering approach. Aerodynamic design and drag prediction. Parameter effects on constraint analyses and preliminary weight estimation. Configuration optimization. Conceptual layout and preliminary analysis of aircraft structures. Factor and margin of safety. Material selection including strength, stiffness, weight, and cost considerations. Introduction to propulsion system design and selection criteria. Safety, reliability, maintainability, schedule and cost management concerns are addressed during the course. Final report. Prereq: Aero Engr 341 and Aero Engr 351. Coreq: Engr Mech 330 and Aero Engr 361. Sem hrs: 3 fall.

Aero Engr 482. Aircraft Design. 3(2). Design of an aircraft using a systems engineering approach to meet specifications provided. Detailed configuration optimization, aerodynamic analysis, structural layout, material selection, and structural component sizing, weight and center of gravity analysis, and stability and control analysis. Safety, reliability, maintainability, schedule, and cost management concerns are addressed. Final report. Prereq: Aero Engr 352, Aero Engr 481, and Aero Engr 342 (or department approval). Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 483. Aircraft Engine Design. 3(2). Preliminary design of an aircraft engine to meet specified performance requirements. Cycle selection, installation effects, and engine sizing. Determination of installed and uninstalled performance of selected and sized engine. Preliminary design of major engine components to include variable geometry inlets, fans, compressor, main burner, turbine, afterburner, and exhaust nozzles. Material selection for each component is accomplished based on criteria such as the stress and temperature environments, manufacturability, radar absorption capability, weight, and cost. Safety, reliability and maintainability concerns during the design process are addressed throughout the course. This course will include, if possible, a voluntary field trip to a government/industry design facility. Final report. Prereq: Aero Engr 466 and Aero Engr 481. Sem hrs: 3 spring.

Aero Engr 495. Special Topics. 1-3(1-2). Selected topics in aeronautical engineering. Final exam or final report. Prereq: Department approval. Sem hrs: 1-3 fall or spring.

Aero Engr 499. Independent Study. 3(0). Individual study and research supervised by a faculty member. Topic established with the department head. Final report. Prereq: Department approval. Sem hrs: 3 fall or spring.

- Aero Engr 499A. Independent Study. 2(0). Sem hrs: 2 fall or spring.