## STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES



## MODULE SPECIFICATION

| Part 1: Information     |  |  |   |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| Module Title            | Advanced Structural Modelling            |  |   |  |  |  |
| Module Code             | UBGMM3-15-3                              | Level  | Level 6                                   |  |  |  |
| For implementation from | 2018-19                                  |  |   |  |  |  |
| UWE Credit Rating       | 15                                       | ECTS Credit Rating   | 7.5                                       |  |  |  |
| Faculty                 | Faculty of Environment & Technology      | Field  | Geography and Environmental<br>Management |  |  |  |
| Department              | FET Dept of Geography & Envrnmental Mgmt |  |   |  |  |  |
| Contributes towards     |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| Module type:            | Standard                                 |  |   |  |  |  |
| Pre-requisites          | Applications of Mat                      | Applications of Mathematics in Civil and Environmental Engineering 2018-19 |   |  |  |  |
| Excluded Combinations   | None                                     | None   |   |  |  |  |
| Co- requisites          | Structural Analysis                      | Structural Analysis and Geotechnics (cee) 2018-19                          |   |  |  |  |
| Module Entry requireme  | nts None                                 | None   |   |  |  |  |

#### Part 2: Description

**Overview**: Pre-requisites: 60 credits at Level 2 To include: UFMFF7-15-2 Applications of Mathematics for Civil and Environmental Engineering

**Educational Aims:** In this module students will develop the necessary knowledge, understanding and skills to analyse and solve problems relating to multi-variable structural systems of both statically determinate and indeterminate structure types, including plates.

In addition the educational experience may explore, develop, and practise but not formally discretely assess the following:

Appreciation of the importance of validation and verification in interpretation of computer output. Appreciation of the uncertainties inherent in selection of material properties, loadings and boundary conditions.

Outline Syllabus: The syllabus includes:

Matrix methods in structural analysis: matrix algebra, matrix displacement method. Stiffness method of structural analysis of pin-jointed structures and frames: nodes, elements, stiffness matrix, loads and restraints.

Introduction to finite elements analysis: nodes, elements, meshes, stiffness matrix, boundary conditions and loads.

Practical finite elements techniques: element types, mesh generation, pre-processing, post-processing.

Modelling dynamic systems: single degree of freedom systems, multi degree of freedom systems, interpreting dynamic response.

**Teaching and Learning Methods:** This module will be delivered through lecture sessions aimed at establishing the discipline context, key definitions/concepts, and also at establishing a framework for learning. The lectures will be supported by e-learning using computer-based learning exercises. Through these mechanisms learners will also build upon the fundamental concepts covered in the lectures and start applying new understanding through the tasks and activities provided. Regular formative feedback is built into the weekly contact sessions.

Contact Hours:

On average students will receive 4.5 hours of contact time per week. This will be in a range of formats, including lectures, laboratory practicals, field work, tutorial or computer-based sessions, formative feedback sessions and support via e-mail.

The amount of time spent on activities in this module is:

Activity:

Contact time (lectures/feedback/practical sessions): 36 hours Assimilation and development of knowledge: 84 hours Coursework preparation: 30 hours Total study time: 150 hours

#### Part 3: Assessment

Component A - Examination: Exam (2 hours). Component B - Report: Portfolio (1000 words).

| First Sit Components      | Final<br>Assessment | Element<br>weighting | Description                          |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Portfolio - Component B   |                     | 50 %                 | Portfolio (equivalent to 1000 words) |  |  |  |
| Examination - Component A | $\checkmark$        | 50 %                 | Exam 2 hours                         |  |  |  |
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| Portfolio - Component B   |                     | 50 %                 | Portfolio (equivalent to 1000 words) |  |  |  |

### Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods

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| Learning<br>Outcomes | On successful completion of this module students will be able to:        |   |     |  |  |  |
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| Outcomes             |  |   |     |  |  |  |
|                      |  | Module Learning Outcomes  |     |  |  |  |
|                      | MO1  | Use matrix methods to carry out elastic structural analysis   |     |  |  |  |
|                      | MO2  | Use the stiffness method to carry out elastic structural analysis of trusses and frames                             |     |  |  |  |
|                      | MO3  | Use the finite element method to model frames and plates to investigate their response to different load conditions |     |  |  |  |
|                      | MO4  | Use of single and multi-degree of freedom models to assess the dynamic response of structures                       |     |  |  |  |
| Contact              | Contact Hours  |   |     |  |  |  |
| Hours                |  |   |     |  |  |  |
|                      | Independent Study Hours:   |   |     |  |  |  |
|                      |  |   |     |  |  |  |
|                      | Independent study/self-guided study                                      |   | 114 |  |  |  |
|                      |  | Total Independent Study Hours:  | 114 |  |  |  |
|                      | Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:                                   |   |     |  |  |  |
|                      | Face-to-face learning  | 36  |     |  |  |  |
|                      | Total Sch  | 36  |     |  |  |  |
|                      | Hours to be allocated  |   | 150 |  |  |  |
|                      | Allocated Hours  | Allocated Hours   |     |  |  |  |
| Reading<br>List      | The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link: |   |     |  |  |  |
| 0.                   | https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ubgmm3-15-3.html                        |   |     |  |  |  |