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CE 634 Groundwater Hydrology

College: Engineering
Department: Civil
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First: Course Definition
1- Course Code: CE 634
2- Units: 3
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3- Semester:
4- Prerequisite:
5- Co-requisite:
6- Location (if not on main Campus):
6- Edition (II not on main campus).
Second: Course Objectives
1- To realize the need of hydrology as an engineering science essential for the planning,
design and operation of water resource systems.
2- To Use of analytical and empirical methods for modelling the hydrological processes
(precipitation, evaporation, transpiration, infiltration and runoff).
3- To develop an understanding of the flow in confined and unconfined aquifers.
4- To develop an understanding of steady and unsteady flow problems.

Third: Course Specifications

5- To develop an understanding of the mechanics of wells.

1- Topics to be covered

Subject	No of Weeks	Units
Introduction to groundwater hydrology	1	3
Hydrological processes related to groundwater	2	6
Occurrence, storage and supply of groundwater	1	3
Basic differential equations for flow in confined and unconfined aquifers	3	9

6- To develop an understanding of groundwater recharge and saline water intrusion.

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Steady and unsteady groundwater flow problems	3	9
Groundwater recharge and saline water intrusion	2	6
Case studies related to groundwater in Saudi Arabia	2	6

2- Course components (Total hrs in the Semester: 42

Lecture	Exercise	Other
42	-	0

3- Intended Learning Outcomes of the Course (ILO's)

a. Knowledge

i) Description of the knowledge to be acquired:

- Occurrence, storage and supply of groundwater
- Basic hydraulics of wells in confined and unconfined aquifers
- Steady and unsteady groundwater flow characteristics
- Groundwater recharge
- Saline water intrusion phenomenon
- Groundwater in Saudi Arabia.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop that knowledge

- Class lectures.
- Term projects.
- Students' presentations.
- Group discussion.

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iii) Methods of assessment of knowledge acquired

- Exams.
- Quizzes.
- Homework assignments.
- Term projects.

b- Cognitive (Intellectual) Skills

i) Cognitive skills to be developed

- Occurrence, storage and supply of groundwater
- Confined and unconfined aquifers

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- Groundwater recharge
- Saline water intrusion

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these cognitive skills

- Class lectures.
- Case studies analysis.
- Term projects.

iii) Methods of assessment of students' cognitive skills

- Students' seminars and presentations.
- Term projects.
- Written reports.

c. Interpersonal Skills and Responsibility

i) Description of the interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility to be developed

- Decision making based on engineering analysis.
- Communication skills.
- Team work.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Class lectures.
- Term projects.
- Case studies analysis.

iii) Methods of assessment of students' interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility

- Term project.
- Written reports.
- Students' seminars and presentations.

d. Communication, Information Technology and Numerical Skills

i) Description of the skills to be developed in this domain

- Literature research.
- Problems modeling.
- Utilization of computer applications in analysis and design.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Class lectures.
- Case studies analysis.

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- Computer lab sessions.
- Term projects.

iii) Methods of assessment of students numerical and communication skills

- Term projects.
- Written reports.
- Students' seminars and presentations.

e. Psychomotor (if applicable) & Other Non-cognitive Skills

i) Description of	the	psychomotor	or	other	skills	to	be	developed	and	the	level	of
performance req	uired	d										

NA

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills-

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iii) Methods of assessment of student's psychomotor skills

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4- Student Assessment Schedule

Serial	Assessment tool (test, group project, examination etc.)	Week due	Weight
1	Term Project – 1	3 rd	15 %
2	Mid Term Exam -1	7 th	15 %
3	Term Project – 2	10 th	15 %
4	Term Project – 3	13 th	15 %
5	Final Exam	16 th	40 %

5- Student Support

- Providing electronic library of textbooks and scientific periodicals.
- Providing the necessary computer applications for the course.

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6- Learning Resources

i) Essential Books (References)

- *Karamouz*, M., A. Ahmadi, and M. Akhbari. "Groundwater Hydrology: Engineering, Planning, and Management," CRC Press; 1st edition, 2011
- Mays, L.W., and D.K. Todd "Groundwater Hydrology," John Wiley and Sons, Inc, 2005, ISBN-10: 0471452548, ISBN-13: 9780471452546.
- Bear, J. "Hydraulics of Groundwater," Dover Publications, 2007, ISBN-10: 0486453553, ISBN-13: 978-0486453552

ii) Course Notes

- NA

iii) Recommended Books

- Freeze, A., and J. Cherry. "Groundwater," Prentice Hall, USA, 1979, ISBN-10: 0133653129, ISBN-13: 9780133653120.
- Bouwer, H. "Groundwater Hydrology," McGraw-Hill, Inc, 1978, ISBN-10: 0070067155.

iv) Electronic Books & Web Sites:

- Scientific journals and forums.
- Instructor's instruction.

v) Periodicals

- Journal of groundwater hydrology.
- Journal of Hydrogeology.
- Journal of Hydrology.
- International Journal of Climatology.
- Journal of Environmental Economics and Management.
- ASCE scientific journals.

7- Course Evaluation and Improvement Processes

i) Strategies for Obtaining Student Feedback on Effectiveness of Teaching

- Students' questioners.
- Students' evaluation of course and instructor.

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ii) Other Strategies for Evaluation of Teaching by the Instructor or by the Department

- Public faculty seminars.
- Assessment by external evaluators of students achievements.
- Instructor (Course) Report

iii) Processes for Improvement of Teaching

- Assessment of students' work by external examiners.
- Analysis of students' evaluation of course and instructor.
- Seminars by industry professionals.

iv) Processes for verifying standards of student achievement

- Check marking by an independent faculty member of a sample of student work.
- Periodic exchange and remarking of a sample of assignments/exams with a external evaluator.

v) Describe the planning arrangements for periodically reviewing course effectiveness and planning for improvement.

- Assessment and evaluation of the level of achieving the course outcomes through a continuous improvement process (part of a quality assurance system established by the university),
- Consequently, actions are to be taken to improve the course delivery when necessary.
- Review of the course objectives, outcomes and curriculum every 2 years.