COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# **Polymer Processing Fundamentals**

# ISE 5540

# **Credit Hours:**

3.00 - 3.00

### **Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level) Graduate

#### **Course Components:**

Lecture Lab

### **Course Description:**

Applies fundamentals of transport phenomena and polymer constitutive equations to the analysis of manufacturing of plastic components.

#### **Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: MechEng 2020, 2040, or equiv. Prereq or concur: MatScEn 2251, MechEng 4510, or equiv.

#### **Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Derive physics-based mathematical models for relevant plastics manufacturing operations
- Use the models to predict practical results and their limitations
- Use CAE software to analyze and optimize plastics processes
- Design the critical parameters of basic polymer processes, analyze their magnitude, and predict their influence on process functions
- Become familiar with most common polymer processes

### **Course Topics:**

- Polymer fundamentals
- Transport phenomena
- Simple model flows
- Rheology of polymer melts
- Simple non–Newtonian flows
- Injection molding
- CAE software for injection molding
- Extrusion
- Chemo-rheology
- Reactive liquid molding
- SMC Compression Molding
- Other composite manufacturing processes

# **Designation:**

Elective