

Jet Propulsion

MECHENG 7527

Credit Hours:

3.00 - 3.00

Course Levels:

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level) Graduate (5000-8000 level)

Course Components:

Lecture

Course Description:

Characteristics and performance of air breathing flight vehicle power plants and their components (inlets, compressors, combustors, turbines, and nozzles).

Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prereq: 4510 (510) or AeroEng 4550 (550), or permission of instructor.

Course Goals / Objectives:

- Educate the student in the process of design of engines for very large aircraft
- Familiarize the student with the details of gas turbine engine design characteristics
- Educate the student in the details of aircraft component characteristics and engine matching
- Educate the student regarding the differences between design of engines for large commercial aircraft and the design of engines for fighter aircraft

Course Topics:

- The aerodynamics of the aircraft
- The creation of thrust in a jet engine
- Special topic in aeropropulsion I
- The gas turbine cycle
- The principle and layout of jet engines
- Elementary fluid mechanics of compressible gases
- Selection of bypass ratio
- Special topic in aeropropulsion II
- Dynamic scaling and dimensional analysis
- Turbomachinery: compressors and turbines
- Overview of the civil engine design
- Component characteristics
- Engine matching off design
- A new fighter aircraft
- Lift, drag, and the effects of maneuvering
- Engines for combat aircraft
- Design point for a combat aircraft

Designation:

Elective