

CE 362
FOUNDATION ENGINEERING I (3+0 Credits)
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Recitation Hour: TA will organize.

Lectures:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08.45-09.30					
09.45-10.30			LECTURE B212		
10.45-11.30			LECTURE B212		
11.45-12.30			LECTURE B212		
13.30-14.15					
14.30-15.15					
15.30-16.15					
16.30-17.15					

Textbook: Principals of Foundation Engineering – Braja M. Das

Course Website: Students are required to register themselves at [General | CE362 Foundation Engineering I | Microsoft Teams](#) and enroll to CE 362. All announcements and course materials (lecture notes, homework etc.) will be uploaded on this site.

Aims and objectives of the course:

- To understand site investigation
- To assess the load carrying capacity of the subsoil strata at a given particular site subject to given loading conditions.
- To compute the settlement likely to occur due to construction of the structure.
- To suggest a type of foundation suitable for a given site (shallow or deep)
- Retaining walls will also be covered.

Lectures and reading assignments: Students MUST read the relevant chapters PRIOR to coming to the class.

The topics to be covered are listed below:

1. Soil exploration (Ch 2)
 - 1.1 Methods of soil exploration
 - 1.2 Boring, sampling
 - 1.3 Penetration tests
 - 1.4 Correlation between penetration resistance and strength parameters
2. Analysis and design of shallow foundations
 - 2.1 Footings on sand (Ch 3)
 - 2.2 Footings on clay (Ch 3)
 - 2.3 Settlement calculations (Ch 5)

- 2.4 Combined Footing (Ch 6)
- 2.5 Design of Mat/Raft Foundations (Ch 6)

Midterm Exam I – Closed book (the date will be announced)

- 3. Earth pressure problems (Ch 7)
 - 3.1 Earth pressures at rest
 - 3.2 Active and passive earth pressure
 - 3.3 Rankine and Coulomb's earth pressure theories
 - 3.4 Concept of bearing capacity
- 4. Design and analysis of retaining walls (Ch 8)

Midterm Exam II – Closed book (the date will be announced)

- 5. Pile foundations (Ch 11)
 - 5.1 Types and methods of construction
 - 5.2 Estimation of pile capacity
 - 5.3 Bearing capacity and settlement of group piles

Final Exam – Closed book (the date will be announced)

Grading Policy: Assignments (3p), Quizzes (7p), Midterm Exam I (30pts), Midterm Exam II (30pts), Final Exam (30pts) – **Total 100 points**

How to pass and do well in the course:

- 1. Pay attention. Ask questions.
- 2. Attend recitations.
- 3. Take good notes and understand what you wrote.
- 4. Before you attempt to solve your homework problems, read the appropriate chapter from the book as well as the class notes and try to understand (concept) solved problems.
- 5. Do **all** the homework on time.
- 6. Get help if you needed.
- 7. Prepare for each test beginning at least a week before the exam.

Pre-requisite: Soil mechanics I

Cheating or copying:

If a student is found guilty of copying homework or cheating in tests, he/she will receive "FF" grade for the course.