



The University of Southern Queensland

Course specification

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Description: Mine Surveying

| Subject | Cat-nbr | Class | Term | Mode | Units | Campus |
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| SVY | 2302 | 86706 | 1, 2009 | EXT | 1.00 | Toowoomba |

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| Academic group: | FOENS |
| Academic org: | FOES05 |
| Student contribution band: | 2 |
| ASCED code: | 031101 |

STAFFING

Examiner: Glenn Campbell
Moderator: Xiaoye Liu

REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: SVY1104

RATIONALE

Many Surveyors find employment in the exploration and mining industries. This course gives the student a basic knowledge of the geophysical, mining and surveying methods and techniques commonly used in those industries.

SYNOPSIS

The course covers the surveying requirements in the mining industry, both open cut and underground (coal and metalliferous), and considers the part a mine surveyor plays in the industry.

OBJECTIVES

The course objectives define the student learning outcomes for a course. The assessment item(s) that may be used to assess student achievement of an objective are shown in parenthesis. On completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. describe the basic principles of commonly used geophysical exploration methods (exam);
2. indicate a basic understanding of the role of the surveyor in mineral exploration (exam);
3. indicate a basic understanding of drilling and blasting methods commonly used in the mining and exploration industries (assignment 1 and exam);
4. carry out calculations to determine borehole paths given the required field measurement (assignment 1 and exam);
5. describe the open cut mining methods normally used to extract the following types of minerals: mineral sands, gold and coal (exam);
6. describe the following underground mining methods: bord and pillar, long wall, MICAF, open stoping, cut and fill, shrink stoping, raising, winzing, sublevel caving (exam);

7. demonstrate a sound knowledge of the survey methods normally used to establish and control open cut mines (exam);
8. demonstrate a sound knowledge of the survey methods normally used to establish and control the development of underground mines including: datum establishment, shaft plumbing, raising, set out, blast patterns, drill holes, quantity measurement (assignment 2 and exam);
9. demonstrate a knowledge of the use of computer software to model mine workings by extracting sections, contours, isopachs and volumes from a mode (exam);
10. demonstrate a knowledge of the ethical and environmental concerns in mining and the surveyor's role in monitoring these (exam); and
11. demonstrate a knowledge of occupational health and safety issues peculiar to mining and their legal framework (exam).

TOPICS

| | Description | Weighting (%) |
|-----|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Introduction to mining | 5.00 |
| 2. | Exploration surveys | 5.00 |
| 3. | Explosives and Blasting | 10.00 |
| 4. | Drilling | 15.00 |
| 5. | Open cut mining methods | 10.00 |
| 6. | Underground mining methods | 15.00 |
| 7. | Open cut mine surveying | 10.00 |
| 8. | Underground mine surveying | 20.00 |
| 9. | Mine safety and legislation | 5.00 |
| 10. | Ethical and environmental concerns | 5.00 |

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at <http://bookshop.usq.edu.au> click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

References are listed at the end of chapters in the Study Books where appropriate.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

| ACTIVITY | HOURS |
|----------------|-------|
| Assessments | 48.00 |
| Directed Study | 52.00 |
| Examinations | 2.00 |
| Private Study | 53.00 |

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

| Description | Marks out of | Wtg (%) | Due date |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------|------------------------|
| ASSIGNMENT 1 | 150.00 | 15.00 | 20 Apr 2009 |
| ASSIGNMENT 2 | 150.00 | 15.00 | 25 May 2009 |
| 2 HOUR RESTRICTED EXAMINATION | 700.00 | 70.00 | END S1 (see note 1) |

NOTES

1. Student Administration will advise students of the dates of their examinations during the semester.

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1 Attendance requirements:
There are no attendance requirements for this course. However, it is the students' responsibility to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration.
- 2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
To satisfactorily complete an assessment item a student must achieve at least 50% of the marks or a grade of at least C-. Students do not have to satisfactorily complete each assessment item to be awarded a passing grade in this course. Refer to Statement 4 below for the requirements to receive a passing grade in this course.
- 3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
If students submit assignments after the due date without extenuating circumstances then a penalty of 5% of the assigned mark may apply for each working day late up to a maximum of ten working days at which time a mark of zero can be recorded for that assignment.
- 4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
To be assured of receiving a passing grade in a course a student must obtain at least 50% of the total weighted marks for the course.
- 5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the weighted aggregate of the marks (or grades) obtained for each of the summative assessment items in the course.
- 6 Examination information:
In a Restricted Examination, candidates are allowed access to specific materials during the examination. The only materials that candidates may use in the restricted examination for this course are: writing materials (non-electronic and free from material which could

- give the student an unfair advantage in the examination); a hand held battery operated programmable calculator.
- 7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
Any Deferred or Supplementary examinations for this course will be held during the examination period at the end of the semester of the next offering of this course.
 - 8 University Regulations:
Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL <http://www.usq.edu.au/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm> or on the current online USQ Handbook.

ASSESSMENT NOTES

- 1 The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must despatch the assignment to the USQ. The onus is on the student to provide proof of the despatch date, if requested by the Examiner.
- 2 Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be despatched to USQ within 24 hours if required by the Examiner.
- 3 In accordance with University's Assignment Extension Policy (Regulation 5.6.1), the examiner of a course may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.
- 4 The Faculty will normally only accept assessments that have been written, typed or printed on paper-based media.
- 5 The Faculty will NOT accept submission of assignments by facsimile.
- 6 Students who do not have regular access to postal services or who are otherwise disadvantaged by these regulations may be given special consideration. They should contact the examiner of the course to negotiate such special arrangements.
- 7 In the event that a due date for an assignment falls on a local public holiday in their area, such as a Show holiday, the due date for the assignment will be the next day. Students are to note on the assignment cover the date of the public holiday for the Examiner's convenience.
- 8 Students who have undertaken all of the required assessments in a course but who have failed to meet some of the specified objectives of a course within the normally prescribed time may be awarded one of the temporary grades: IM (Incomplete - Make up), IS (Incomplete - Supplementary Examination) or ISM (Incomplete -Supplementary Examination and Make up). A temporary grade will only be awarded when, in the opinion of the examiner, a student will be able to achieve the remaining objectives of the course after a period of non directed personal study.
- 9 Students who, for medical, family/personal, or employment-related reasons, are unable to complete an assignment or to sit for an examination at the scheduled time may apply to defer an assessment in a course. Such a request must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation. One of the following temporary grades may be awarded IDS (Incomplete - Deferred Examination; IDM (Incomplete Deferred Make-up); IDB (Incomplete - Both Deferred Examination and Deferred Make-up).