



ME 303 A1: FLUID MECHANICS FALL 2019

Instructor:

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Course schedule:

Lecture: Monday and Wednesday 10:10-11:55 (STH B19)
Office hours: Tuesdays 12:30 – 1:30 PM (Brown – PHO 920) or by appointment
Homework Help Sessions:
Review material and problems with GST Austin Thai (adthai@bu.edu)
Mon: 2:30pm-3:20pm CAS 204B
Tue: 11:15am-12:05pm EPC 203
Tue: 3:35pm-4:25pm PSY B47
Labs: ENG 113B, time to be scheduled with GST Jason Lucas (jlucas@bu.edu)

Textbook:

Fundamentals of Fluid Mechanics by Munson et al., Wiley 8th edition

Course web page:

Blackboard for assignments, grades, and lab submission
Piazza.com for Q&A

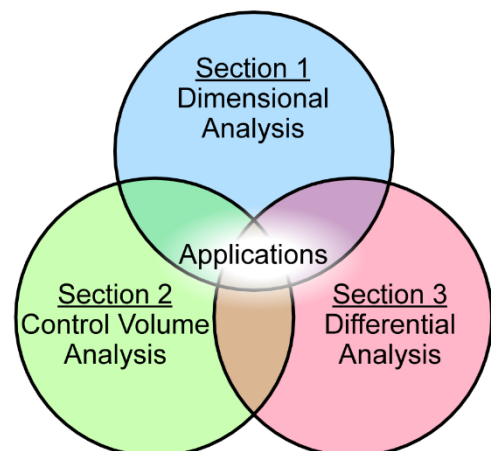
Prerequisites:

ENG EK 301 or equivalent
CAS MA 226 or equivalent

Course learning objectives:

This course is designed to teach fundamental concepts of fluid dynamics through a broad range of applications. In particular, we will cover:

- 1) Dimensional analysis: the ability to explore a problem based upon the dimensions of the parameters. While this cannot provide exact answers, it is extremely useful for determining scaling relationships and identifying factors that can be ignored.
- 2) Control volume analysis: solving constitutive equations and conservation laws in integral form to understand the behavior of fluids.
- 3) Differential analysis: directly solving governing equations such as the Navier-Stokes equations as a means of understanding fluid behavior.
- 4) Applications of these problem solving approaches in disciplines including aerospace, mechanical, and biomedical engineering. A critical skill to be acquired is the ability to identify which analysis method is most appropriate for a given problem and justifying assumptions.



Grading:

Homework (20%):	2-3 problem sets per module
Lab reports (25%):	Three laboratory exercises (Lab 1 worth 5%, Labs 2 and 3 worth 10%)
Exams (45%):	Three closed-book exams; formula sheets will be provided
Analysis challenges (6%):	Results of analysis challenges, three in total
Participation (4%):	Based upon overall participation in class

Homework:

Homework assignments will be announced in class and on the course webpage. Homework can be passed in during class or at the ME front desk (110 Cummington Mall, Room 101).

- Due date and time will be specified on the assignment and will typically be Wednesday at 4 PM.
- Homework that is up to 24 hours late will be given half credit.
- Homework that is turned in 24 hours after the due date will be marked 0.

Lab exercises:

There will be three lab exercises for this course. For labs that take place in the lab room, digital sign-up sheets will be posted in advance of the labs. The exercises may be done in groups, but lab reports must be done individually.

- Reports are limited to a **strict page length**. *pages beyond the stated limit will not be graded*
- Fonts must be 11 pt or larger, margins must be 1" or larger
- Turning in a report without physically completing the lab exercises will result a deduction of 25% of the total score for the assignment.
- Lab reports must be turned in digitally through blackboard and students are responsible for making sure the file format is readable at the time of submission.
- Late reports will be marked down 10% for every hour that has passed since the deadline (rounded down).

Exams:

Each exam will take place over an entire class period. There will be three exams during the semester, each covering one module in a non-cumulative manner.

- Missing an exam due to vacation is not excusable. Arrangements will be made on a case-by-case basis for documented emergencies or University conflicts.
- Students requiring additional time to complete examinations must supply proper documentation from the Office of Disability Services at **least 3 days in advance** of an examination to the instructor so suitable arrangements can be made.

Policy on collaboration:

Collaboration is encouraged on homework and labs, however students should turn in their own work in their own words. No collaboration is permitted on exams.

Boston University Academic Conduct Code:

Honesty is a core value of Boston University. Any violations of BU academic honesty and integrity standards **will be pursued** through appropriate University channels. This includes, but is not limited to: cheating, plagiarism, and misrepresentation. If you have any questions as to what constitutes an honor code violation, please ask. ***Ignorance is not an excuse for cheating.*** You may access the BU Academic Conduct Code at: <http://www.bu.edu/academics/policies/academic-conduct-code/>

Course Schedule:

The following is a tentative schedule for the course

	Date		Topic	Reading
Dimensional Analysis	Week 1	9/4	Lec1: Overview of Fluid Properties	1
	Week 2	9/9	Lec2: Pressure and hydrostatics	2.1-6
		9/11	Lec3: Buoyancy and hydrostatic Forces	2.8-12
	Week 3	9/16	Lec4: Dimensional analysis	7.1-6
		9/18	Lec5: Internal flows [PS1 due]	8.4.1
		9/18	Lab1 distributed – due 9/30	
	Week 4	9/23	Lec6: External flows	9.1,3
		9/25	Lec7: Modeling and similitude [PS2 due]	7.0-7
	Week 5	9/30	Lec8: Review and analysis challenge 1	
		10/2	EXAM 1: DIMENSIONAL ANALYSIS	
Control Volumes	Week 6	10/7	Lec9: Introduction to control volumes	4.3-4
		10/9	Lec10: Conservation of mass	5.1
	Week 7	10/15	Lec11: Conservation of energy	5.3
		10/16	Lec12: Problem solving with the Bernoulli equations [PS3 due]	3.6
		10/17	Lab2: exercises – due 10/28	
	Week 8	10/21	Lec13: Conservation of momentum	5.2
		10/23	Lec14: Problem solving with control volumes [PS4 due]	
	Week 9	10/28	Lec15: Review and analysis challenge 2	
		10/30	EXAM 2: CONTROL VOLUME ANALYSIS	
Differential Analysis	Week 10	11/4	Lec16: Kinematics I	4.1
		11/6	Lec17: Kinematics II	4.2; 6.1
	Week 11	11/11	Lec18: Conservation of mass	6.2
		11/13	Lec19: The Navier-Stokes equations [PS5 due]	6.3,8
		11/13	Lab3: distributed – due 12/6	
	Week 12	11/18	Lec20: Unidirectional flow	6.9; 8.2
		11/20	Lec21: Inviscid flows [PS6 due]	6.4-5
	Week 13	11/25	Lec22: Lift and the Magnus effect	6.6-7; 9.4
	Week 14	12/2	Lec23: Boundary layers and D'Alembert's paradox	9.2
		12/4	Lec24: Turbulence [PS7 due]	8.3
	Week 15	12/9	Lec25: Review and analysis challenge 3	
		12/11	EXAM 3: DIFFERENTIAL ANALYSIS	