

**ME/BE/MS 523 Mechanics of Biomaterials Spring 2010**  
**Boston University, PHO 211, 12-2pm (TENTATIVE SYLLABUS 1/08/10)**

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**Grading:** Exams(2): 30%, Homework: 30%, Final Project: 35%, Participation and attendance 5%.

**Textbook:** N. Dowling, Mechanical Behavior of Materials, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition.

**Prerequisites by topic:** EK 301, EK 305 or BE 420

Date	Lecture	Topic	Notes (Readings, events)
Th Jan 14	1	Overview of course, Introduction to Materials in Medicine / Logistics	Dowling Chapters 1 and 2
Tu Jan 19	2	<b>Guest Lecture:</b> Dr. J. Rosen	
Th Jan 21	3	Materials Classes, Metals, Ceramics	Dowling Chapter 3
Tu Jan 26	4	Deformation of an Elastic Solid	Dowling Chapter 4.1-4.6,4.9
Th Jan 28	5	Complex and Principal States of Stress and Strain	Dowling Chapter 5.3, 5.4
Tu Feb 2	6	Review of Beam Theory	<b>CIMIT Forum 4-6pm</b> At MGH Dowling Appendix A
Th Feb 4	7		No reading
Tu Feb 9	8	Materials Classes, Polymers, Materials Selection	<b>CIMIT Forum 4-6pm</b> at MGH
Th Feb 11	9	Introduction to the Mechanics of Soft Materials; Creep, Stress Relaxation, <i>Exam Review</i>	Dowling 5.2 Dowling 15.1-15.3
Tu Feb 16		<b>No Class – MONDAY classes.</b>	<b>CIMIT Forum 4-6pm</b> at BWH
Th Feb 18	10	<b>Midterm #1</b>	
Tu Feb 23	11	<b>Guest Lecture:</b> Dr. J. Rosen	
Th Feb 25	12	Linear Viscoelasticity	Handouts
Tu March 2	13	Measuring Viscoelastic Behavior	Handouts
Th March 4	14	Yielding Failure	Handouts
Tu March 9		<b>No Class – Spring Break</b>	No reading
Th March 11		<b>No Class – Spring Break</b>	No reading
T March 16	15	Yielding Failure	TBA in class
Th March 18	16	Fracture Failure	TBA in class
Tu March 23	17	Fracture Failure	TBA in class
Th March 25	18	Fatigue (Total Life)	TBA in class
Tu March 30	19	FDA Approval Processes	TBA in class
Th April 1	20	<b>Guest Lecture:</b> Dr. J. Rosen	TBA in class
Tu April 6	21	Sterilization Technology and Shelf Life Considerations: Effects on Device Performance	TBA in class
Th April 8	22	Hydrogels – An Introduction	TBA in class
Tu April 15	23	Manufacturing Solid Polymers; <i>Exam Review</i>	TBA in class
Th April 20	24	<b>Midterm #2</b>	
Tu April 22		<b>NO Class – MONDAY classes.</b>	
Th April 27	25	Prepare for final poster presentation	
Tu April 29	26	<b>Project Presentations Poster Session</b>	12- 2pm, PHOTONICS Atrium

### **Notes**

1. Homework is due at the beginning of class and will not be accepted late (ever). Missed/late homework will result in a zero.
2. Plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated.
3. You are required to attend at least ONE of the CIMIT Forum meetings on the syllabus. The directions to these events are located at <http://www.cimit.org/forum-current.html> Attendance will count toward your final participation grade.
4. If you miss a midterm you will get a zero, unless you notify the instructor AHEAD of time.
5. Exams can be rescheduled in special cases AHEAD of the listed exam date.
6. Your team members will be given a chance to “grade” your participation level and quality in the final project. This information will be included in your individual final course grade.