# course syllabus and course requirements academic year 2023/2024 semester I

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| Course title | International Engineering Project |
| **Course Code** | **SZB068AN** |
| **Hours/Week: le/pr/lab** | **3 hr/week** |
| **Credits** | **3** |
| **Degree Programme** | **All** |
| **Study Mode** | **Full time** |
| **Requirements** | **This course is primarily aimed at undergraduate students. Post-graduate students should contact Marcus if they would like to apply.** |
| **Teaching Period** | **2023/2024 I** |
| **Prerequisites** | **2 semesters study and a good level of English** |
| **Department(s)**  **Course Director** | **Department of Civil Engineering**  **Dr Zoltán Orbán** |
| **Teaching Staff** | **Marcus Juby** |
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# course description

The course ‘International Engineering Project’ is a multidisciplinary project that originated from a cooperation with the University of Brunel (London), Metropolitan State University (Denver) and Engineers without Borders (EWB) UK. It is based on the Engineers without Borders Design Challenge where students need to work together to solve a real-world issue affecting an impoverished community. The course is a combination of lectures and students working in groups to come up with an engineering solution to a challenge affecting a community. The course provides future engineers with experience in working together to solve problems while taking into account what it means to be a globally responsible engineer.

# syllabus

## **goals and objectives**

The generic aim of the course is to provide students with international networking opportunities, awareness of wider engineering practices, technical and interpersonal skills.

Objectives:

Develop industry-relevant experience working on international engineering projects

Investigate design projects in their wider context

Develop awareness of international engineering practices, teamworking skills and effective communication skills

Generic learning outcomes:

Ability to integrate and apply knowledge and understanding within engineering and related disciplines

Investigate the design task in its wider context, for example client/stakeholder needs, codes of practice and standards, ethics

Effectively communicate with team members

Effectively convey engineering information

Providing the opportunity for reflection about how you participate in group projects.

## **course content**

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|  | TOPICS |
| LECTURE | 1. *Introduction* 2. *Identifying engineering problems* 3. *Working as part of a team* 4. *Intercultural communication* 5. *Project management Software* 6. *The Design process - The importance of context* 7. *The Design process – Design Criteria* 8. *Natural and recycled building materials* 9. *Nature based solutions/Biomimicry* 10. *Systems thinking* 11. *Communicating ideas (creating videos, sources of royalty free material)* 12. *Humanitarian Engineering* |

### **DETAILED SYLLABUS AND COURSE SCHEDULE**

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| LECTURE | | | | |
| week | **Topic** | **Compulsory reading; page number** | **Required tasks (assignments, tests, etc.)** | **Completion date, due date** |
| 1. | Introduction |  |  |  |
| 2. | Engineering for Change/Engineers without Borders | Course material posted on teams |  |  |
| 3. | Intercultural communication  Working as part of a team | “ |  |  |
| 4. | Presentation of individual work  Allocation into groups | “ | Identification and presentation of individual work | September 26th |
| 5. | Communicating ideas through video  Project management software | “ |  |  |
| 6. | The design process – the importance of context | “ |  |  |
| 7. | The design process - design criteria | “ |  |  |
| 8. | Natural and recycled building materials | “ |  |  |
| 9. | Nature based solutions/Biomimicry | “ |  |  |
| 10. | Systems thinking | “ |  |  |
| 11. | Humanitarian engineering | “ |  |  |
| 12. | Final consultation | “ |  |  |
| 13. | Final viewing of submissions, feedback | “ | Submission of design and report | November 21st |

Important: Where possible there will be invited guest speakers which means the timetable is subject to change. You will be notified of any changes through Teams. All course material will be uploaded to Teams.

## **assessment and evaluation**

##### **Attendance**

In accordance with the Code of Studies and Examinations of the University of Pécs, Article 45 (2) and Annex 9. (Article 3) a student may be refused a grade or qualification in the given full-time course if the number of class absences exceeds 30% of the contact hours stipulated in the course description or does not participate effectively in groupwork.

***Method for monitoring attendance***

Register

##### **assessment**

Course resulting in mid-term grade (PTE TVSz 40§(3))

**Mid-term assessments, performance evaluation and their ratio in the final grade**

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| **Type** | **Assessment** | **Ratio in the final grade** |
| *(Individual) Identification and presentation of challenge area* | *25 points* | *25%* |
| *(Group) 4-5 minute film/website presenting final design* | *45 points* | *45 %* |
| *(Group) Report accompanying final design* | *20 points* | *20 %* |
| *Active participation and attendance* | *10 points* | *10%* |

**Opportunity and procedure for re-takes** (PTE TVSz 47§(4))

Students need to contact the teacher in the case of late submission of assessment or resubmission of assessment tasks.

**Grade calculation as a percentage**

based on the aggregate performance according to the following table

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| **Course grade** | **Performance in %** |
| excellent (5) | 85 % … |
| good (4) | 70 % ... 85 % |
| satisfactory (3) | 55 % ... 70 % |
| pass (2) | 40 % ... 55 % |
| fail (1) | below 40 % |

The lower limit given at each grade belongs to that grade.

## **Specified literature**

*In order of relevance. (In Neptun ES: Instruction/Subject/Subject details/Syllabus/Literature)*

##### **compulsory reading and availability**

[1.] Unless otherwise notified all course materials will be uploaded to MS-Teams

##### **recommended literature and availability**

[2.] United Nations Sustainable Development Goals <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

[3.] Centre for Appropriate Technology [Centre for Appropriate Technology (CfAT)](https://cfat.org.au/)

[4.] Engineering for Change [Engineering For Change | By Engineers, For Everyone](https://www.engineeringforchange.org/)