



# Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School:	Institute of Innovation, Science & Sustainability
Unit Title:	Sustainable Engineering Practice
Unit ID:	ENGIN5208
Credit Points:	15.00
Prerequisite(s):	Nil
Co-requisite(s):	Nil
Exclusion(s):	Nil
ASCED:	039999

# **Description of the Unit:**

This course provides an overview of a wide range of issues relating to sustainable engineering design and practice. It covers content on sustainable engineering materials, life cycle assessment, cultural and heritage assessments, and environmental planning and impact assessment. Contemporary issues related to infrastructure and renewable energy, particualrly in the form of solar energy, wind and hydro power, will be explored and related to engineering project management.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

**Work Experience:** 

No work experience

Placement Component: No

#### Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the Unit but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above, has completed all major assessment tasks (including all sub-components where a task has multiple parts) as specified in the Unit Description and is not eligible for any other form of supplementary assessment.

# **Course Level:**



Lovel of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course					
Level of onit in course	5	6	7	8	9	10
Introductory						
Intermediate					~	
Advanced						

# **Learning Outcomes:**

#### Knowledge:

- **K1.** Explain the principles of sustainable engineering as applicable to management of engineering projects.
- **K2.** Evaluate the sustainable engineering materials and practices for a range of engineering and infrastructure projects, and recommend alternatives.
- **K3.** Reflect how sustainability, environmental and social (including cultural and heritage) constraints impact engineering project development and delivery.

#### Skills:

- **S1.** Critically analyse current engineering practice in an organisation and propose sustainable alternatives.
- **S2.** Assess the feasibility of renewal energy sources in current engineering projects.

#### Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Apply various analytical methods to evaluate engineering projects from a sustainability perspective.
- A2. Examine how a project relates to the broader social, economic, and environmental context.

# **Unit Content:**

Topics will include: Principles of sustainable engineering Sustainable systems design Sustainable engineering materials Advanced life cycle and systems assessments Renewable and solar fuels Wind and hydro power Sustainable engineering logistics systems Environmental planning and impact assessment

#### FEDTASKS

Federation University Federation recognises that students require key transferable employability skills to prepare them for their future workplace and society. FEDTASKS (**T**ransferable **A**ttributes **S**kills and **K**nowledge) provide a targeted focus on five key transferable Attributes, Skills, and Knowledge that are be embedded within curriculum, developed gradually towards successful measures and interlinked with cross-discipline and Co-operative Learning opportunities. *One or more FEDTASK, transferable Attributes, Skills or Knowledge must be evident in the specified learning outcomes and assessment for each FedUni Unit, and all must be directly assessed in each Course.* 

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	Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)	



FEDTASK attribute and descriptor		Development and acquisition of FEDTASKS in the Unit	
		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)
FEDTASK 1 Interpersonal	Students at this level will demonstrate an advanced ability in a range of contexts to effectively communicate, interact and work with others both individually and in groups. Students will be required to display high level skills in-person and/or online in: • Using and demonstrating a high level of verbal and non-verbal communication • Demonstrating a mastery of listening for meaning and influencing via active listening • Demonstrating and showing empathy for others • High order skills in negotiating and conflict resolution skills\\ • Demonstrating mastery of working respectfully in cross-cultural and diverse teams.	Not applicable	Not applicable
FEDTASK 2 Leadership	Students at this level will demonstrate a mastery in professional skills and behaviours in leading others. • Creating and sustaining a collegial environment • Demonstrating a high level of self -awareness and the ability to self-reflect and justify decisions • Inspiring and initiating opportunities to lead others • Making informed professional decisions • Demonstrating initiative in new professional situations.	Not applicable	Not applicable
FEDTASK 3 Critical Thinking and Creativity	Students at this level will demonstrate high level skills in working in complexity and ambiguity using the imagination to create new ideas. Students will be required to display skills in: • Reflecting critically to generate and consider complex ideas and concepts at an abstract level • Analysing complex and abstract ideas, concepts and information • Communicate alternative perspectives to justify complex ideas • Demonstrate a mastery of challenging conventional thinking to clarify complex concepts • Forming creative solutions in problem solving to new situations for further learning.	Not applicable	Not applicable
FEDTASK 4 Digital Literacy	Students at this level will demonstrate the ability to work competently across a wide range of tools, platforms and applications to achieve a range of tasks. Students will be required to display skills in: • Mastering, exploring, evaluating, managing, curating, organising and sharing digital information professionally • Collating, managing complex data, accessing and using digital data securely • Receiving and responding professionally to messages in a range of professional digital media • Contributing competently and professionally to digital teams and working groups • Participating at a high level in digital learning opportunities.	Not applicable	Not applicable
FEDTASK 5 sustainable and Ethical Mindset	Students at this level will demonstrate a mastery of considering and assessing the consequences and impact of ideas and actions in enacting professional ethical and sustainable decisions. Students will be required to display skills in: • Demonstrate informed judgment making that considers the impact of devising complex solutions in ambiguous global economic environmental and societal contexts • Professionally committing to the promulgation of social responsibility • Demonstrate the ability to evaluate ethical, socially responsible and/or sustainable challenges and generating and articulating responses • Communicating lifelong, life-wide and life- deep learning to be open to the diverse professional others • Generating, leading and implementing required actions to foster sustainability in their professional and personal life	Not applicable	Not applicable

#### Learning Task and Assessment:



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Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K2, S1, A1	Research task on sustainble engineering practice in student's field.	Assignment or project report.	20 - 40%
K1, K2, S1, S2, A1	Group based analyses of sustainble engineering practices in a contemporary project and discuss imrpovements and alternatives.	Report and/or group presentation.	30 - 50%
K1, K2, K3, S1, S2, A1, A2	Problem based questions and design tasks pertinent to large civil infrastructure and renewable energy projects.	Assignment	20 - 40%

### **Adopted Reference Style:**

Other (IEEE)

Refer to the library website for more information

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