Introduction to Aerospace Engineering
EAS 2011 Section 18CC
Spring 2023, M W F, 7th Period, 1:55 PM – 2:45 PM
FLG 0260

Modifications to this syllabus may be required during the semester. Any changes that are made will be reflected in a posted version of the syllabus and announced in class.

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Office Hours
- M F 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- Or via confirmed written appointment

Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate Student)
To Be Announced

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Office Hours:
Location:

Grader (Graduate Student)
To Be Announced

Email:

Course Description
Course Catalog: “Overview of aerospace engineering. Standard atmosphere, basic aerodynamics, airplane performance, stability and control, propulsion, and space flight.” (Credits: 3)

Course Pre-Requisites / Co-Requisites
PHY 2048 (Physics with Calculus 1) or PHY 2060 (Enriched Physics with Calculus 1) with a minimum grade of C.

Course Objectives
This course introduces aircraft and spacecraft vehicles. By the end of this course, you will:
- Know the basic principles of flight in the atmosphere: the physics of flight, and steady aircraft flight and performance.
- Know the basic principles of flight in space: the two-body problem, spacecraft orbits, orbital transfers, and orbital analysis of space missions.
- Be able to effectively communicate this technical knowledge while accounting for realistic economic constraints.

Materials and Supply Fees
None.
**Professional Component (ABET)**

This course contributes to the Aerospace Engineering student's aeronautical knowledge of: aerodynamics, propulsion, flight mechanics, and stability and control. This course contributes to the Aerospace Engineering student's astronomic knowledge of: orbital mechanics, space environment, attitude determination and control, and rocket propulsion. The content of this course is approximately 10% engineering design, 30% mathematics, and 60% engineering science.

**Relation to Program Outcomes (ABET)**

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<th>Outcome</th>
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<td>1. An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics</td>
<td>High</td>
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<td>2. An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors</td>
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<td>3. An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences</td>
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<td>4. An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts</td>
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<td>5. An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives</td>
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<td>6. An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions</td>
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<td>7. An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies</td>
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Coverage is given as high, medium, or low. An empty box indicates that this outcome is not part of the course.

**Required Textbooks, Software, and Hardware**

- MATLAB (MathWorks), any recent release.
- Various handout materials provided digitally on Canvas.
- Scientific calculator (not your phone).
- It is important that you have your own laptop/mobile computer. Details are provided on the college and department websites: [https://www.eng.ufl.edu/students/advising/fall-semester-checklist/computer-requirements/](https://www.eng.ufl.edu/students/advising/fall-semester-checklist/computer-requirements/) [https://mae.ufl.edu/academics/undergraduate/computer-requirements/](https://mae.ufl.edu/academics/undergraduate/computer-requirements/)

**Alternate (Reference) Textbooks**


**Important Dates**

- Classes Begin: Jan 9 (Monday)
- Holidays/Reading Days: Jan 16 (Monday), Mar 13 – 17 (Monday – Friday), Apr 27, 28 (Thursday, Friday)

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• Classes End: Apr 26 (Wednesday)
• Classes Canceled: Mar 20 – 24 (Monday – Friday)
• Homework, quiz, and software tutorial dates stated in this syllabus will be confirmed in class
• Quizzes will be held during the last 15 minutes of lecture
• Project Due: May 1 (Monday) 11:59 PM
• Review for Midterm Exam: Feb 27 (Monday)
• Midterm Exam: Mar 7 (Tuesday) 8:20 PM – 10:10 PM
• Review for Final Exam: Apr 26 (Wednesday)
• Final Exam: May 4 (Thursday) 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies. Click here to read the university attendance policies: https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/

Attendance Policy
• The class has no attendance policy. Students are expected to attend.
• Absences may be excused with appropriate documentation.
• Make-up Policy: Instructor notifications are required in all circumstances. See https://care.dso.ufl.edu/instructor-notifications. Note that, “Instructors have the right to accept or reject the Instructor Notification.”
• No quiz make-ups are permitted. If an excused absence occurs on a quiz day, then that quiz will be omitted from the student’s total quiz score. Unexcused quizzes receive zero.

Class Expectations
• The student is solely responsible for their education. The instructor is the guide to their understanding of the field.
• Cell phones, laptops, etc.: under no circumstances will disruptions from electronic devices be tolerated. Students are expected to take either handwritten notes with pen/pencil and paper, or electronic notes with stylus and tablet.
• Electronic notes must be printed out if used as reference material on examinations.
• Respect and disruption: the instructor and students will be respectful at all times. Classroom disruption of any kind will not be tolerated.
• The principles of the Honor Code must be adhered to at all times. Individual effort is required on homework assignments, quizzes, and exams. Groups will be treated as individuals for projects. UF students are bound by the Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code." On all work submitted for credit, the following statement is either required or implied:

   On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this homework/quiz/report/exam.

   The Conduct Code (https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/process/student-conduct-code/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. You are obligated to report any academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TA.

   Course Zero-Tolerance Policy: Any violation or suspected violation of the Honor Code by a student may result in that student receiving a grade of E for the course.

Homework
The purpose of homework is to learn and understand the material. Students are responsible for performing and understanding the homework problems and solutions on their own.

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Software and Copyrighted Material Use
All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing the use of software and the use of copyrighted material. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the UF community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

Quizzes and Exams
All quizzes are closed-book, closed-notes, closed-electronic devices. A scientific calculator (that is not your cell phone or laptop) will be permitted. All exams are open-book, open-notes, closed-electronic devices except for a scientific calculator.

Honorlock: Consistent with UF policy, Honorlock may be used for course assessments and will be confirmed by the instructor in advance. Please see https://distance.ufl.edu/proctoring/ for more information.

Students Requiring Accommodations
Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center (https://disability.ufl.edu/students/get-started/). Students should share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs as early as possible in the semester.

Commitment to a Safe and Inclusive Learning Environment
The Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering values broad diversity within our community and is committed to individual and group empowerment, inclusion, and the elimination of discrimination. It is expected that every person in this class will treat one another with dignity and respect regardless of gender, sexuality, disability, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, and culture.

If you feel like your performance in class is being impacted by discrimination or harassment of any kind, please contact your instructor or any of the following:
• Your academic advisor or Undergraduate Program Coordinator, advising@mae.ufl.edu
• Jennifer Nappo, Director of Human Resources, 352-392-0904, jpenacc@ufl.edu
• Curtis Taylor, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, 352-392-2177, taylor@eng.ufl.edu
• Toshikazu Nishida, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, 352-392-0943, nishida@eng.ufl.edu

Student Privacy
There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: https://registrar.ufl.edu/ferpa.html

In-Class Recording
Students are allowed to record video or audio of class lectures. However, the purposes for which these recordings may be used are strictly controlled. The only allowable purposes are (1) for personal educational use, (2) in connection with a complaint to the university, or (3) as evidence in, or in preparation for, a criminal or civil proceeding. All other purposes are prohibited. Specifically, students may not publish recorded lectures without the written consent of the instructor.

A "class lecture" is an educational presentation intended to inform or teach enrolled students about a particular subject, including any instructor-led discussions that form part of the presentation, and delivered by any instructor hired or appointed by the University, or by a guest instructor, as part of a University of Florida course. A class lecture does not include lab sessions, student presentations, clinical presentations such as
patient history, academic exercises involving solely student participation, assessments (quizzes, tests, exams), field trips, private conversations between students in the class or between a student and the faculty or lecturer during a class session.

Publication without permission of the instructor is prohibited. To "publish" means to share, transmit, circulate, distribute, or provide access to a recording, regardless of format or medium, to another person (or persons), including but not limited to another student within the same class section. Additionally, a recording, or transcript of a recording, is considered published if it is posted on or uploaded to, in whole or in part, any media platform, including but not limited to social media, book, magazine, newspaper, leaflet, or third party note/tutoring services. A student who publishes a recording without written consent may be subject to a civil cause of action instituted by a person injured by the publication and/or discipline under UF Regulation 4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code.

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care

Your well-being is important to UF. The U Matter, We Care initiative is committed to creating a culture of care on our campus by encouraging members of our community to look out for one another and to reach out for help if a member of our community is in need. If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu so that the U Matter, We Care Team can reach out to the student in distress. A nighttime and weekend crisis counselor is available by phone at 352-392-1575. The U Matter, We Care Team can help connect students to the many other helping resources available including, but not limited to, Victim Advocates, Housing Staff, and the Counseling and Wellness Center. Please remember that asking for help is a sign of strength. In case of emergency, call 9-1-1.

COVID-19

- You are expected to follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding the wearing of approved face coverings during class and within buildings even if you are vaccinated.
- If you are sick, stay home and self-quarantine. Please call your primary care provider if you are ill and need immediate care or the UF Student Health Care Center at 352-392-1161 (or email covid@shcc.ufl.edu) to be evaluated for testing and to receive further instructions.
- Please continue to follow healthy habits, including best practices like frequent hand washing. Following these practices is our responsibility as Gators.

Counseling and Wellness Center

https://counseling.ufl.edu/, and 352-392-1575; and the University Police Department: 352-392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Sexual Discrimination, Harassment, Assault, or Violence

If you or a friend has been subjected to sexual discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, or violence contact the Office of Title IX Compliance (https://titleix.ufl.edu/), located at Yon Hall Room 427, 1908 Stadium Road, 352-273-1094, title-ix@ufl.edu

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 352-392-1161.

University Police Department

352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or http://www.police.ufl.edu/

Academic Resources

E-learning Technical Support

352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu, https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml
Career Connections Center  
Reitz Union, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. [https://career.ufl.edu/](https://career.ufl.edu/)

Library Support  
[http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask](http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask). Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center  
Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or 352-392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.  
[https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/](https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/)

Writing Studio  
[https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/](https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/)

Students Complaints: On-Campus  
[https://ombuds.ufl.edu/student/](https://ombuds.ufl.edu/student/)

Students Complaints: Distance Learning  
[https://distance.ufl.edu/state-authorization-status/#student-complaint](https://distance.ufl.edu/state-authorization-status/#student-complaint)

**Course Evaluation**

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at [https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/](https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/). Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via [https://uflbluera.com/ufl/](https://uflbluera.com/ufl/). Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at [https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/](https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/).

**Evaluation of Grades and Grading Policy**

Information on the UF grading policy is available at:  
[https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx](https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx)

**Evaluation Mechanism on a Percent Basis**

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**Homework**

*Students will submit solutions of the homework problems only via the course website.* Students who turn in homework before the due date and time will have their homework graded. Not all homework problems may be graded, and a selection of problems may be randomly chosen for grading after the homework due date and time. Submitted homework that is partially- or fully-missing solutions to these chosen problems will not be eligible for partial or any credit for those problems, respectively, even if other non-chosen homework problems were completed. **Grading will be on completeness, not correctness.** It is the student's responsibility to check their solutions against posted homework solutions.

**Exams**

All students are expected to take all exams. If a student is unable to take an exam for unforeseeable reasons, then the other exams will count toward the percentage of the grade that makes up the exams if an appropriate DSO instructor notification is accepted.
Final Grade

Final grades may be calculated by the following table. For example, if a student earns 86.60% (Percent Grade Earned %GE = 86.60) then their grade point will be 3.33 (B+). %GE are rounded to the hundredths decimal place. For example, if a student earns 77.995% (Percent Grade Earned %GE = 77.995) it will be rounded up to 78.00%, and their grade point will be 2.67 (B-). Shifts in the grading table are at the discretion of the instructor.

Table 1. Grading Table. %GE = Percent Grade Earned.

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Grade Corrections

Grade corrections should be submitted promptly in writing within three business days of the grade posting. Include a concise statement of why you believe that there has been an error. The instructor has the final determination in the assigned grade; if a grade change is made, the grade may be lower or higher.

Course Schedule, Approximately by Lecture Number

1  Jan 9  Course Introduction, History of Flight  NHM Ch. 1
2  Jan 11  Flight Environment  NHM Ch. 2
3  Jan 13  Flight Environment, Physics of Flight  NHM Ch. 2
4  Jan 18  Physics of Flight  NHM Ch. 2
5  Jan 20  Matrices Review
6  Jan 23  Coordinate Systems and Rotations  NHM Ch. 3
   Jan 23, 6:15 PM  MATLAB Tutorial (TA-led)
7  Jan 25  Rotations, Kinematics, Aerodynamic Forces  NHM Ch. 3
8  Jan 27  Aerodynamic Forces  NHM Ch. 3

Homework 1 Due Jan 27 (Friday), 11:59 PM
9  Jan 30  Aircraft Attitude  NHM Ch. 3
10 Feb 1  Aircraft Attitude and Rotations  NHM Ch. 3
11 Feb 3  Aerodynamic Moments  NHM Ch. 3

Quiz 1 at end of lecture on Feb 3 (Friday)
12 Feb 6  Propulsion, Steady Flight Lift and Drag  NHM Ch. 4, 5

Homework 2 Due Feb 6 (Monday), 11:59 PM
13 Feb 8  Performance Optimization Intro, Gliding  NHM Ch. 5, 6
14 Feb 10  Gliding, Level Flight  NHM Ch. 6, 7
15 Feb 13  Level Flight  NHM Ch. 7
16 Feb 15  Level Flight  NHM Ch. 7

Homework 3 Due Feb 15 (Wednesday), 11:59 PM
17 Feb 17  Climbing and Descending Flight  NHM Ch. 8
18 Feb 20  Climbing and Descending Flight  NHM Ch. 8

Quiz 2 at end of lecture on Feb 20 (Monday)
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<td>Take-off, Landing; Range and Endurance</td>
<td>NHM Ch. 11</td>
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<td>20 Feb 24</td>
<td>Turning Flight</td>
<td>NHM Ch. 9</td>
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**End of Coverage for Midterm Exam**

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<td>Review for Midterm Exam</td>
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<td>22 Mar 1</td>
<td>History of Space Flight</td>
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<td>23 Mar 3</td>
<td>Modern Space Flight</td>
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**Homework 4 Due Mar 3 (Friday), 11:59 PM**

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<td>24 Mar 6</td>
<td>Gravitation, N-Body Problem</td>
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**Midterm Exam Mar 7 (Tuesday), 8:20 PM**

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<td>2-Body Problem, Constants of Motion</td>
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<td>26 Mar 10</td>
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<td>27 Mar 27</td>
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<td>Conic Section Orbits, Circular Orbits</td>
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**Quiz 3 at end of lecture on Apr 3 (Monday)**

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**Homework 5 Due Apr 5 (Wednesday), 11:59 PM**

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<td>Orbit in 3D</td>
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<td>Ground Tracks and Parabolic Orbits</td>
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<td>36 Apr 17</td>
<td>One-Impulse Transfers</td>
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**Homework 6 Due Apr 17 (Monday), 11:59 PM**

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**Quiz 4 at end of lecture on Apr 21 (Friday)**

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<td>40 Apr 26</td>
<td>Rocket Equation, Review for Final Exam</td>
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**End of Coverage for Final Exam**

**Project Due May 1 (Monday), 11:59 PM**

**Homework 7 Due May 1 (Monday), 11:59 PM**

**Final Exam May 4 (Thursday), 3:00 PM**