

**THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
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**MECH – 561**  
**Linear Elasticity**

**COURSE OUTLINES**

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**COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:**

- **Vectors and Tensors:**  
Vector operation and vector calculus; Cartesian tensors; Tensor operation and tensor calculus; Eigen values and eigen vectors; Transformation and change of basis.
- **Analysis of Stress:**  
Three-dimensional stresses and stress invariants; Stress measures; Principal stresses; Equations of motion and equilibrium.
- **Analysis of Strain:**  
Three-dimensional small strain; Kinematics of continuous medium; principal strains; Strain compatibility equations.
- **Elastic Constitutive Equations:**  
Generalized Hook's law; Isotropic and anisotropic materials; Transformation of constitutive tensors; plane stress and plane strain conditions; axisymmetric conditions; Temperature effects.
- **Energy Methods:**  
Virtual work principle; Minimum potential energy; weighted residual methods.
- **Linear Elastic Fracture Mechanics (LEFM):**  
Fracture modes; Stress intensity factor; Fracture toughness; CTOD and J-integral; LEFM in design.
- **Stress Function:**  
Airy stress function; Cartesian and polar forms; Plane stress and plane strain applications; axisymmetric applications.

**LECTURES:**

Thursday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm; MCLD-219

**PREREQUISITES:**

MECH-360 (Strength of Materials or equivalent)

**CREDIT HOURS:**

3 (three) credit hours:

**STUDENT'S EVALUATION:**

Assignments                      10 %

Mid-Term	20-25 %
Term Paper	20-25 %
Final exam	40-50 %

**TEXT/REFERENCES:**

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- P. Boresi, K. P. Chong, *Elasticity in Engineering Mechanics*, Elsevier (January 1987)
- Y.C. Fung, “First course in continuum mechanics”, Printice Hall Inc., Third Edition, (1994).
- I. Luri , *Theory of Elasticity*, Springer Verlag (August 2005)
- R. B. Hetnarski, J. Ignaczak , *Mathematical Theory of Elasticity*, Routledge (February 2004)
- L. E. Malvern, “Introduction to the mechanics of continuous medium”, Printice-Hall Inc., (1969).
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