

<b>Department of Building Engineering</b>			
<b>Geology and Soil Mechanics Lab. (68307)</b>			
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>1</b>		
<b>major compulsory</b>			
<b>Prerequisites</b>	P11Synch. : Geology and Soil Mechanics (68300)		
<b>Course Contents</b>			
This lab will cover essential soil mechanics laboratory tests to help the students understand the basic knowledge in soil mechanics and foundation engineering. It includes the following tests: moisture content, atterberg limits (liquid and plastic limits), relative density, compaction, field compaction, permeability, shear strength tests (unconfined and direct shear box) and consolidation			
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO's)</b>		<b>Student Outcomes (SO's)</b>	<b>Contribution</b>
1	Ability to measure soil physical properties (moisture content, Atterberg Limits, specific gravity, permeability, etc.)	B	40 %
2	Ability measure characteristics use in soil classification (sieve analysis, hydrometer)	B	10 %
3	Ability to measure and analyze soil compaction in lab. and field.	B	15 %
4	Ability to measure soil behavior characteristics and shear strength parameters under different loading conditions. (Consolidation, shear tests, unconfined compression test).	B	15 %
5	Ability to communicate effectively	G	20 %
<b>Textbook and/ or References</b>			
1. Soil Mechanics Laboratory Manuals, Braja Das, Seventh Edition, 2009. 2. Soil Mechanics Laboratory Manuals, Isam Jardaneh+Eng. Ahmed Bdair.			
<b>Assessment Criteria</b>		<b>Percent (%)</b>	
Mid. Term Exam		30 %	
Laboratory Work		30 %	
Final Exam		40 %	
<b>Course Plan</b>			
<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>		
1	Introduction to Soil Mechanics Lab Tests and Preparation of Reprot		
2	Moisture Content Test		
3	Specific Gravity Test		
4	Sieve Analysis Test		
5	Hydrometer Analysis Test		
6	Atterberg Limits Tests (Liquid Limit and Plastic Limit)		
7	Compaction Test		
8	Field Compaction Test		
9	Permeability Test		
10	Consolidation Test		
11	Direct Shear Test		
12	Unconfined Compression Test		
13	Plate Bearing Test (if time permits)		
15	Final Exam		