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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Wells

Reference	ENM201	Version	10
Created	August 2021	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	May 2006	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2021	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

This module provides a broad understanding of the essential principles of Well Construction, specifically from a perspective of engineering integrity. It presents a systematic approach to improve the safe planning and the design of wells (in particular: Well performance evaluation and control, casing and cementing, borehole stability and fluid rheology among others). It provides a comprehensive introduction to the basic methods, concepts and technology used to deduce potential hole problems before producing a final well plan.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate detailed knowledge and application of rig systems and drilling components.
- 2 Critically evaluate cement and drilling fluids functions and properties and perform calculations relating to drilling operations.
- 3 Develop and discuss a plan for a new well including information on the mitigation of problems whilst drilling through different formations and the other main critical elements required for a successful outcome.
- 4 Critically analyse the mechanical properties of materials and identify the mechanisms for types of corrosion prevalent within the oil and gas industry.
- 5 Analyse and apply the concept of flow into the wellbore (Inflow Performance Relationship) and up the production tubing (Vertical Lift Performance) along with the function of the principal completion components from the reservoir interface to surface.

Indicative Module Content

1. Introduction, History, People, Well Lifecycle, Rig Components. 2. Drilling Process & Design, Drilling Process, Casing String. 3. Well Control, Barriers, Pressures. 4. Fluids (Muds & Cements), Drilling Fluids, Cements & Cementing. 5. Drillstring & Ancillaries, BHA & Toolstring, Introduction to Rock Bits, Rock Stresses & Pressures, Cement Basics & Chemistry. 6. Corrosion, Material Properties & Specifications, Fundamentals of Corrosion, Types of Corrosion. 7. Completion Essentials, Completion Function, Operations & Design Process, Completion Architecture & Equipment Selection, Tubing Specification & Equipment Material Selection, Safety Systems and Life of Well Integrity Management, Perforation and Sand Control, Well production performance & nodal systems analysis, Well Inflow Performance and Skin, Multiphase Flow & Vertical Lift Performance, Artificial Lift Options.

Module Delivery

This module may be delivered by means of lectures, tutorials and student-centred learning activities.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	53	40
Non-Contact Hours	97	110
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	3
Description:	Coursework.				

Component 2

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 4, 5
Description:	Closed book examination.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

The module has 2 components and an overall grade D is required to pass the module. The component weighting is as follows: C1 is worth 50% and C2 is worth 50%.

		Examination:					
		A	B	C	D	E	F
Coursework:	A	A	A	B	B	C	E
	B	A	B	B	C	C	E
	C	B	B	C	C	D	E
	D	B	C	C	D	D	E
	E	C	C	D	D	E	E
	F	E	E	E	E	E	F
NS		Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination					

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	Normally a 2.2 UK honours degree in Engineering or a related discipline, and proficiency in English language for academic purposes (or IELTS score of 6.5 or equivalent).
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	This module is not suitable for students following an MSc in Professional Studies programme unless they meet the entry qualifications stipulated in the University Regulations on admission and the prerequisites above.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Part Time refers to Online Learning Part Time.

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- 8 Journal articles, conference proceedings, and appropriate websites. Example OnePetro, Knovel, ASME.