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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Wells

Reference	ENM201	Version	11
Created	May 2022	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	May 2006	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2022	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

This module provides a broad understanding of the principles of well construction, specifically from the perspective of well integrity. It presents a systematic approach to the safe planning and the design of wells, including rig systems, drilling hazard evaluation and mitigations, well barriers and well control, casing and cementing, fluids, and well productivity/injectivity and managing corrosion. It provides an introduction to the basic methods, concepts, and technology required to develop a basis of design and operational plan for drilling and completions, covering producers and water/CO<sub>2</sub> injectors, including an overview of industry net zero initiatives related to wells.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Critically analyse and evaluate rig types, rig systems, and drilling components to be utilised for drilling a designated well, including the functions of the equipment.
- 2 Critically evaluate cement and drilling fluids functions and properties and perform calculations relating to drilling operations.
- 3 Critically appraise and explain the problems when drilling through different formations and identify the actions required to mitigate these.
- 4 Evaluate drill bit selection and analyse the drilling hydraulics for specific well operations.
- 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. 2. Drilling Process & Design, Drilling platforms and their motion, Rig systems, and Rig Components. Drilling Process, Casing String, Functions, and methods of selection. 3. Well Control, Well Barriers, Functions, Types, Well Integrity, Oilfield Pressures. 4. Fluids (Muds & Cements), Drilling Fluids, Cements & Cementing. Cement Basics & Chemistry. 5. Drill string & Ancillaries, BHA & Tool string, Drilling Problems, Introduction to Rock Bits, Formation Pressures, Hydraulics and Drilling Optimisation. 6. Barrier Integrity for CO<sub>2</sub> (carbon storage) Injectors, and Material Selections to Mitigate CO<sub>2</sub> Integrity Risks.

### Module Delivery

The module will be delivered by means of face to face and hybrid (full-time) and part-time (online learning part-time) lectures, tutorials, student-centred learning activities, and self-guided study. Emphasis is placed on an integrative approach to communication, engagement and learning, with student involvement fostered through discussion and group work.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	43	25
Non-Contact Hours	107	125
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

### ASSESSMENT PLAN

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

#### Component 1

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Description:	Closed book examination.				

### MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

#### Explanatory Text

Component 1 comprises 100% of the module grade. To pass the module, a D grade is required.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	A
B	B
C	C
D	D
E	E
F	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.

### INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- 3 CAENN, R., DARLEY, HCH., and GRAY, GR. 2017. Composition and Properties of Drilling and Completion Fluids. Elsevier, Gulf Professional Publishing.
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- 8 Journal articles, conference proceedings, and appropriate websites. Example OnePetro, Knovel, ASME.