

# Course guides

## 250440 - ENGCMPREX - Computational Engineering for Design and Operation

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**Unit in charge:** Barcelona School of Civil Engineering  
**Teaching unit:** 751 - DECA - Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

**Degree:** MASTER'S DEGREE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING (PROFESSIONAL TRACK) (Syllabus 2012). (Optional subject).  
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**Academic year:** 2020    **ECTS Credits:** 5.0    **Languages:** English

### LECTURER

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**Others:** NATIVITAT PASTOR TORRENTE, GUILLERMO VILANOVA CAICOYA

### DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

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**Transversal:**

8559. ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION: Being aware of and understanding the mechanisms on which scientific research is based, as well as the mechanisms and instruments for transferring results among socio-economic agents involved in research, development and innovation processes.

8560. SUSTAINABILITY AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT: Being aware of and understanding the complexity of the economic and social phenomena typical of a welfare society, and being able to relate social welfare to globalisation and sustainability and to use technique, technology, economics and sustainability in a balanced and compatible manner.

8561. TEAMWORK: Being able to work in an interdisciplinary team, whether as a member or as a leader, with the aim of contributing to projects pragmatically and responsibly and making commitments in view of the resources that are available.

### TEACHING METHODOLOGY

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Taught module delivery: thirteen weeks of teaching, coursework and self-study. Apart from the 3 hours per week in the classroom, self-study must last an average of 4.5 hours per week.

At least a half of the classroom hours are devoted to work in small groups (computer laboratory, evaluations, etc.)

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

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Specialization subject in which knowledge on specific competences is intensified.

Knowledge and skills at specialization level that permit the development and application of techniques and methodologies at advanced level.

Contents of specialization at master level related to research or innovation in the field of engineering.

Tutored weekly class where case studies and practical examples are reproduced by the students. Topics in computational engineering are reviewed and worked in depth using commercial software



## STUDY LOAD

Type	Hours	Percentage
Theory classes	19,5	15.59
Practical classes	9,8	7.83
Guided activities	6,0	4.80
Self study	80,0	63.95
Laboratory classes	9,8	7.83

**Total learning time:** 125.1 h

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### Introduction

**Description:**

Basic steps in computer modeling  
Modeling exercise with pdetools. Error measures, convergence.

**Full-or-part-time:** 7h 11m

Theory classes: 2h  
Laboratory classes: 1h  
Self study : 4h 11m

### Governing physics

**Description:**

Balance equations: solids, fluids. Thermal balance. Transport equation

Exercise on heat transfer.

**Full-or-part-time:** 7h 11m

Theory classes: 2h  
Laboratory classes: 1h  
Self study : 4h 11m

### Discretization methods

**Description:**

Finite elements  
Abaqus. SAP. Other commercial software.

**Full-or-part-time:** 7h 11m

Theory classes: 2h  
Laboratory classes: 1h  
Self study : 4h 11m



### Linear Elasticity

**Description:**

Bulk and structural elements.  
Introduction to SAP  
Exercise with SAP

**Full-or-part-time:** 21h 36m

Theory classes: 1h  
Laboratory classes: 8h  
Self study : 12h 36m

### Dynamics

**Description:**

Modal and direct time-integration algorithms, explicit, implicit, stability.  
Introduction to Abaqus

**Full-or-part-time:** 12h

Theory classes: 2h  
Laboratory classes: 3h  
Self study : 7h

### Evaluation

**Full-or-part-time:** 16h 48m

Laboratory classes: 7h  
Self study : 9h 48m

### Non-linearities

**Description:**

Non-linear elasticity. Plasticity. Viscoelasticity. Damage.  
Exercise with Abaqus

**Full-or-part-time:** 14h 23m

Theory classes: 1h  
Laboratory classes: 5h  
Self study : 8h 23m

### Buckling

**Description:**

Linear and non-linear Buckling  
Exercise

**Full-or-part-time:** 7h 11m

Theory classes: 1h  
Laboratory classes: 2h  
Self study : 4h 11m



## GRADING SYSTEM

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The mark of the course is obtained as follows:

$$\text{Mark} = Q \cdot 0.2 + A \cdot 0.3 + P \cdot 0.5$$

where

Q is the mark of the in-class written exam

A is the average of the marks of the three assignments

P is the mark of the final project

## EXAMINATION RULES.

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Failure to perform a laboratory or continuous assessment activity in the scheduled period will result in a mark of zero in that activity.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

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**Basic:**

- Zienkiewicz, O.C.; Morgan, K. Finite elements and approximation. New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1983. ISBN 0471982407.