

Soil Mechanics

Programme course

6 credits

Geoteknik

TNBI71

Valid from: 2017 Spring semester

Determined by
Board of Studies for Mechanical
Engineering and Design

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2017-01-25

Main field of study

Civil Engineering

Course level

First cycle

Advancement level

G1X

Course offered for

- Civil Engineering, B Sc in Engineering

Entry requirements

Note: Admission requirements for non-programme students usually also include admission requirements for the programme and threshold requirements for progression within the programme, or corresponding.

Prerequisites

Building mechanics and strength of materials.

Intended learning outcomes

After completing the course the student should be able to :

- Describe the significance of soil mechanics in construction.
- Describe the origin of soils.
- Describe the macro- and microstructure of soils.
- Describe methods used for foundation of buildings.
- Describe methods used for geotechnical field investigations.
- Describe methods used for determination of soil properties.
- Explain the significance of total and effective stresses in a ground.
- Calculate and evaluate the bearing capacity and the settlement of a foundation.
- Describe and apply a method to analyse the stability of slopes in soils.
- Describe and apply systems for classification of soils.
- Apply the results of a ground investigation to analyse the foundation of buildings.

Course content

The origin of soils. Definitions and determination of soil parameters and properties. Classification of soils. Methods for field investigation of the ground. Evaluation of a field investigation. Calculation of the bearing capacity of soils. Settlement of buildings and earth pressures against walls. Slope stability.

Teaching and working methods

Teaching is done in lectures and a groupwork. The groupwork consists of field investigation, laboratory works and calculations.

Examination

UPG2	Project assignment	2 credits	U, G
TEN1	Written examination	4 credits	U, 3, 4, 5

Grades

Four-grade scale, LiU, U, 3, 4, 5

Other information

Supplementary courses: Road and Traffic Engineering, Water supply and Wastewater Technology, Concrete structures and Geo Construction

Department

Institutionen för teknik och naturvetenskap

Director of Studies or equivalent

Dag Haugum

Examiner

Anders Jägryd

Course website and other links

<http://www2.itn.liu.se/utbildning/kurs/index.html?coursecode=TNBI17>

Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 58 h

Recommended self-study hours: 102 h

Course literature

Additional literature

Books

Bengt Langesten, *Geotekniska Grundbegrepp*

Compendia

Anders Jägryd, Kurskompendium i Geoteknik

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