

THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Approval of Undergraduate Course

Section 1: Academic Administration ⁽¹⁾

1.1 Catalog

- a) Course to be effective from: Academic Year 2021-22 Term Fall
- b) Department Code⁽³⁾: ISD Subject Area⁽³⁾: ISDN Course Number ⁽⁴⁾: ISDN 4330
 Previous Course Code⁽⁵⁾: _____
- c) Full Title⁽⁶⁾ (max. 100 characters): Ergonomics in Design
- d) Abbreviated Title⁽⁷⁾ (max. 30 characters): _____
- e) Course Credits⁽⁸⁾: ☒ Fixed: 2 ☐ Range: From _____ To _____
- f) Catalog Description⁽⁹⁾ (word limit = 150):

Many of the products marketed today have the word "ergonomic" attached to them. How ergonomic are they? The course is designed to provide a basic understanding of ergonomics in design through the introduction of human anatomy, anthropometry, and modeling techniques with the aim of improving safety, productivity, comfort and health of people

- g) Grading Type⁽¹⁰⁾: ☒ Letter Grades ☐ Distinction/Credit/Pass/Fail ☐ Pass/ Fail
☐ Distinction/Pass/Fail ☐ Others (please specify): _____

- h) ☐ Prerequisites⁽¹¹⁾:

Course Code / Public Exam	Course Title / Exam Subject and Level / Grade attained

- i) ☐ Corequisites⁽¹²⁾:

Course Code	Course Title

- j) ☐ Exclusions⁽¹³⁾:

Course Code / Public Exam	Course Title / Exam Subject and Level / Grade attained

- k) ☐ Co-listing⁽¹⁴⁾: ☐ Multi-coding⁽¹⁴⁾:

Course Code	Course Title

- l) Other Enrollment Restrictions⁽¹⁵⁾ ☒ No ☐ Yes
- ☐ Instructor's approval required
- ☐ Restricted to specified student group(s)
(please specify, e.g. year and program of study): _____
- ☐ Others (please specify): _____
- m) Medium of Instruction/Materials⁽¹⁶⁾: ☒ English ☐ Others, (Pls specify and provide a justification in Section 1.3): _____
- n) Allow course repetition for credit⁽¹⁷⁾: ☒ No ☐ Yes

1.2 Contribution of course to Programs of Study [Check all appropriate boxes below]

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1.3 Rationale for Introducing this course and other relevant information ⁽¹⁸⁾

Many of the products marketed today have the word "ergonomic" attached to them. How ergonomic are they? Students in design ought to understand the capabilities and limitation of people so that they can be accommodated as and when necessary as it is critical for good usability and user experience.

Section 2A: Learning Outcomes and Alignment (for courses not proposed to be Common Core Courses)

2.1 Key Course Intended Learning Outcomes (Should not normally exceed six or eight outcomes)

Upon completion of this course, students are expected to be able to do the following:

	Course ILOs	Nature of the learning outcomes (A - Knowledge/Content Related; B - Academic Skills/Competencies; C - Others)
1	Apply ergonomic principles for the creation of safer, healthier and more efficient and effective products and activities	A
2	Apply anthropometric tables for evaluation and design criteria for products	A
3	Design a workplace according to ergonomic principles	B
4	Identify engineering solutions to improve human performance and reduce the risk of discomfort and injury when interacting with products	B
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2.2 Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Programs of Study identified in Section 1.2

(Please also complete Section 4.1)

	Program of study 1: <u>BSc Integrative Systems & Design</u> Program ILOs	To be achieved through these course ILOs (Write CILO-1, CILO-2, etc.)
1	Be capable to identify and formulate problems in a multidisciplinary environment with an understanding of science, engineering, technology, business and design issues and constraints	
2	Develop innovative problem-solving skills through hands-on learning and application of knowledge of science, engineering and design in integrative systems	CILO-3, CILO-4
3	Integrate knowledge and skills using a team-based, project-based pedagogy to be experts in tackling challenging problems considering ethics and societal needs	
4	Be able to communicate and perform as a design expert in individual and team-based environments	CILO-1, CILO_2
5	Be life-long learners	
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	Program of study 2: _____ Program ILOs	To be achieved through these course ILOs (Write CILO-1, CILO-2, etc.)
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Section 2B: Additional Information⁽²⁾ (for courses not proposed to be Common Core Courses)

2.3 Planned Teaching Arrangement

Teaching & Learning Arrangement		Weekly Scheduled Hours/ Estimated Weekly Learning Hours	Indicate which course ILOs this activity serves to achieve (Write CILO-1, CILO-2, etc.)	Additional Information (optional)
Face-to face activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lecture*	1	CILO-1, CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tutorial*			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Seminar/Small-class*			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laboratory*	3	CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	
	*Does the above scheduled component(s) involve structured active learning activities? ⁽¹⁹⁾ <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes If yes, please specify for each scheduled component, the percentage and the type of active learning involved in the "Additional Information" column.			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Others (e.g. fieldtrip, visit, etc.), pls specify: _____			
Online activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Online lecture videos			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other online learning tasks, pls specify: _____			
The total learning hours of the course[#] is equivalent to 52 hours (instruction) + 28 hours (preparation) = 80 hours ⁽⁸⁾ ^{# including both scheduled instructional hours and hours for self-study activities & assessment}				
• For course adopting a pedagogic approach other than lecture, tutorial and laboratory, please indicate the pedagogy used:				
	<input type="radio"/> Blended learning ⁽²⁰⁾	<input type="radio"/> Pure online delivery ⁽²¹⁾		
	<input type="radio"/> Experiential learning ⁽²²⁾	<input type="radio"/> Others, pls specify: _____		

2.4 Planned Assessment Weightings

Assessment Task	Proportion of Final Grade (%)	Indicate which course ILOs this task is to assess (Write CILO-1, CILO-2, etc.)	Additional Information (optional)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-class test: 5 tests	60	CILO-1, CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mid-term test			
<input type="checkbox"/> Final exam			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written assignment: 4 reports	40	CILO-1, CILO-2, CILO-3, CILO-4	
<input type="checkbox"/> Project report			
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation			
<input type="checkbox"/> Learning portfolio			
<input type="checkbox"/> Course participation			
<input type="checkbox"/> Peer evaluation			
<input type="checkbox"/> Others, pls specify: _____			

2.5 Course Duration

☒ 1 term ☐ 2 terms ☐ Others, *pls specify*: _____

2.6 Planned Frequency of Offerings [Check all appropriate boxes]:

☐ Every Fall

☐ Every Winter

☐ Every Spring

☐ Every Summer

☒ No fixed pattern

☐ Other (*pls specify*): _____

2.7 Course outline attached

☐ No

☒ Yes

2.8 Resources

Request extra resources for teaching this course?

☒ No

☐ Yes

ISDN 4330 Ergonomics in Design Course Syllabus

1. Overview and Introduction

Introduction to Ergonomics
Application of Ergonomics with real life examples.
Definition and History of Ergonomics
Ergonomics Awareness through one's own-self
Human-centered design
Case study
Design objectives
Learning activity (Short report): identify and report 5 misfits between equipment and people

2. Musculoskeletal system (3 hours + 3 hours supplementary materials)

Musculoskeletal system basics
Structures
Muscles and their working principles.
Human Spine, Vertebrae and Discs, Pelvis and pelvic tilt
Spine range of motion
Joint Range of Motion
Reach and implications
Vision and lines of sight
Learning activity (Short report): find range of motion for hand, arm and shoulders and design a hand tool.

3. Hand held tool and equipment design

Strength
Blix curve (demos of biofeedback device)
Hand tool design basics
Strength in varying postures (demos with hand dynamometer)
Sports equipment design
Postures during tool use
Consequences of poor design
Learning activity (Short report): Design a prototype handle for a hand tool.

4. Design for sitting

Spine and sitting
Critical dimensions for sitting/standing
Seat design principles
Seated work
Workstation design hierarchy


5. Anthropometry for design

Principles of measurement
Measurement techniques
Data reporting
Statistical Analysis
Use of Tables and percentiles for design
Forecasting and Estimation
Golden ratio
Design Criteria using anthropometric data
Human Foot and related dimensions
Fitting feet to footwear
Footwear design
Learning activity (Short report): Measure the anthropometric dimensions of one person and design a workstation.

Section 4: Development, Concurrence and Approval



4.1 Contribution to the Program Learning Outcomes

(To be completed by EACH of the program(s) of study noted under Section 1.2)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The course contributes to this Major/ Minor * Program:	<u>BSc Integrative Systems and Design</u>	
		(* Delete as appropriate)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The relevant program learning outcomes are attached.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	On behalf of this program of study, I confirm that the course will contribute appropriately to overall program learning outcomes.		
Head of Division:		Position / Name: Head of ISD / Prof. Chi Ying TSUI	Signature  Date 30 Nov 2020

<input type="checkbox"/>	The course contributes to this Major/Minor* Program:		
		(* Delete as appropriate)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The relevant program learning outcomes are attached.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	On behalf of this program of study, I confirm that the course will contribute appropriately to overall program learning outcomes.		
Program Director / Head of Department:		Position / Name:	Signature Date

4.2 Approvals

Department/Program unit level Recommendation			
		Position / Name:	Signature Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Offering Department/Program Unit: (Please specify unit):	Head of ISD / Prof. Chi Ying TSUI	 30 Nov 2020
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Recommending School/IPO: (Please specify): SENG	Prof. Philip K. T. MOK Assoc. Dean of Engineering	 14 Dec 2020
School-level Concurrence			
	Name of School/Unit	Position / Name	Signature Date
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