

CE 321 – Transportation Engineering

Code and Name: CE 321 – Transportation Engineering **Credit Hours:** 3 (Lecture: 3, Tutorial: 1)

Textbook:

- Traffic and Highway Engineering, N.J. Garber and L.A. Hoel, Cengage Learning, 5th Edition, 2015 **Other References:**

- Highway Capacity Manual (2010), Transportation Research Board, National Research Council, Washington, D.C.
- Principles of Highway and Traffic Analysis by Mannering, F. L., Kilareski, W. P., and Washburn, S. S., John Wiley & Sons Inc. New Jersey, Fifth Edition (2013).
- Course handouts: distributed on a regular basis to provide more information on the topic.

Course Description:

An overview of the profession of transportation; transportation systems and organizations. Introduction to vehicle, pedestrian, driver and road characteristics. Traffic engineering studies; fundamental principles of traffic flow; intersection design and control; capacity and level of service for highways and signalized intersections; and transportation planning.

Pre-requisites: CE210 Civil Engineering Materials, CE221 Engineering Surveying **Co-requisites:** None

Course Learning Outcomes:

With relation to ABET Student Outcomes (From Fall 2019-SOs: 1-7)

- 1. Outline contemporary issues in Civil Engineering related to Transportation (4)
- 2. Comprehend driver, user, vehicle and roadway characteristics and recognize the interaction among the parameters (4)
- 3. Conduct capacity and level of service analysis of freeway segments and intersections (2)
- 4. Apply the techniques and skills to prepare and evaluate traffic data (6)
- 5. Identify , formulate and solve engineering problems in intersection design and control using AASHTO and HCM methods (1)
- 6. Design and conduct experiment, analyze and interpret data in transportation planning (6)

Topics to be covered:

- Transportation history, transportation system, modes of transportation and transportation organizations.
- Driver, vehicle and road characteristics.
- Studies of spot speed, volume, travel time, delay, and parking.
- Traffic flow elements, speed-flow-density relationship, queuing theory.
- Design principles of at-grade intersections.
- Concepts of traffic control system and signal timing.
- Capacity and level of service for basic freeway segment and signalized intersection.
- Transportation Planning and Travel Demand Forecasting

Grading Policy:

The grading for the course is: 60% coursework and 40% Final Exam. The course work consists of two Midterm Exams, where each midterm exam is worth 20%. It also includes quizzes, and home works for the remaining 20% that is modified by the course instructor.

