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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

Safety

o Identification of hazards and dangers in the workshop environment. o Health and safety at work. o Current Health and Safety Act. o Employer and employee responsibilities. o Machine guarding. o Manual lifting techniques. o Equipment for lifting heavy loads. o Fire drills and precautions. o Fire regulations. o Extinguishers types and operation.

Heat Treatment of Mild Steels

o Properties of medium to high carbon steels. o Heat treatment of medium to high carbon steel.

Use of hand tools

o Scriber, square, ruler, jennies, callipers, thread gauge, feeler gauge, radius gauge, files, punches, hammer, hacksaw, chisel,

Metrology

o Gauging and measuring. o Use of Vernier callipers, micrometers, height gauges, depth gauges, dial test indicators. o Use and care of slip gauges, sine bar, angular slip gauges, Vernier callipers, precision balls and rollers.

Fabrication and assembly

o Design of components. o Interpretation of drawings. o Jointing methods. o Permanent joints e.g. riveting, soldering, brazing, silver soldering, gas welding, manual metal arc welding, adhesive bonding. o Semi-permanent joints e.g. locking devices, screwed fastenings, keys, dowels and circlips

Computer numerical control

o Applications, advantages and limitations. o Control systems, data input, part programming, tool offsets and cutter compensation.

Machine tools and accessories o Introduction and safe operation of drilling machines, centre lathes, and milling machines. o Practical demonstration of CNC machines. o Practical demonstration of surface, cylindrical and off-hand grinding machines. o Component indexing using the dividing head for Gear and Spline Cutting

Forming Processes

o Sand, die and investment casting. o Cold rolling and wire drawing. o Hot rolling, forging, extrusion and upsetting. o Injection and compression moulding. o Polymer materials and behaviour of same

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	40.00%
Practical	60.00%

Continuous A	Continuous Assessment					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date		
Other	• Carry out an inspection of an engineering facility and write a report on safety. • A number of written examinations will assess the extent to which the student has achieved the module learning outcomes. • MCQs.	1,2,3,4	40.00	Every Second Week		

No Project

Practical							
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date			
Practical/Skills Evaluation	 Sketch free-hand a number of hand tools. Use balls and rollers and the appropriate measuring tools to calculate various dimensions of machined components. Carry out a project on each of the following: Lathe work, drilling, tapping and screwing, heat treatment, casting, soldering, brazing, welding, forging, gear cutting, fabrication, milling exercise. Strip down a small component and describe how it works. End of term practical exam Christmas & Summer 	1,2,3,4	60.00	Every Second Week			

No End of Module Formal Examination

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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time						
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload				
Lecture	Every Week	1.00				
Laboratory	Every Week	3.00				
Estimated Learner Hours	Every Week	2.50				
Tutorial	Every Week	1.00				
	Total Hours	7.50				