

MECH H4601: Sustainable Energy

Module Title:			Sustainable Energy	
Language of Instruction:		on:	English	
Credits: 10		10		
NFQ Level:		8		
Module De	livered In		No Programmes	
Teaching & Learning Strategies:			Module will be delivered through lectures, tutorials, and case studies. Students undertake a number of energy based projects including an energy audit of a commercial operation.	
Module Aim:			The aim of this module is to exercise judgement in appraisal of projects and operations; with specific emphasis on energy management and conservation	
Learning C	Outcomes			
On success	sful completio	on of th	his module the learner should be able to:	
LO1	Analyse the theory and principles behind the current new energy efficient technologies, and the emerging SMART technologies the the potential opportunities that may develop.			
LO2	Evaluate	Evaluate facilities for potential energy savings projects.		
LO3	Understar permits, I	Understand the current and future implications of Emission Trading System, Carbon Trading, Green House Gas (GHG) permits, Integrated Pollution Prevention Control (IPPC) Licensing and legislative requirements on projects and industry.		
LO4	Carry out	energ	y audits of industrial & commercial facilities and produce professional reports with recommendations.	
LO5	Develop a	Develop a structured approach to Energy Management: EN 50001(IS 393) S.E.A.I. E MAP process		
Pre-requis	ite learning			
	commenda r learning (or		ctical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.	
No recommendations listed				
	ble Modules modules whic		re learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.	

No incompatible modules listed

Co-requisite Modules

No Co-requisite modules listed

Requirements This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.

No requirements listed



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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

New Green Energy Technologies

Biomass, production systems, sustainability and energy conversion. Wind Power, evaluation of site-wind energy potential, wind farm planning, and layouts. Selection of turbines, Gate connection and control type. Biofuels Fuel Cell technology. Gasification, and waste to energy hierarchy. Marine Current Turbines (MCT) design and development.

Environmental Impacts and Awareness Integrated Pollution Prevention Control (IPPC) Licensing GHG, Emission Trading Systems Legislative requirements for NOx, SOx, particulate emissions, Paris COP implications. Internalities associated with compliance with emission limit values using 'end-of-pipe Primary and secondary control measures.

Project Evaluation Micro CHP (combined heat and power) units into commercial applications. Biomass project for a commercial facility ESCO (Energy Service Company) and energy supply contracts. Calculations, Primary Energy Sayings (PES), Carbon footprint, CO2 savings. Energy Map: Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (S.E.A.I.) Grant applications and project viability

Industrial Energy Auditing Electrical load profile analysis and opportunity for cost reduction from tariff structure. Reviewing Max Demand ,M.I.C. Motive Power HVAC systems, operation and control Compressed air systems analysis and evaluation Lighting and control systems MMP Maintenance Management Policies

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	10.00%
Project	20.00%
End of Module Formal Examination	70.00%

Continuous Assessment					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Examination	Students will be expected to sit a number of individual written assessments throughout the academic year, typically at the conclusion of one or more learning outcomes	1,2,3,5	10.00	n/a	

Project					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Project	Students will produce a number of reports/projects throughout the academic year and will produce written reports describing each one. Typical projects are: 1- Micro CHP (Combined Heat and Power) Project 2- Energy Audit Commercial operation: - Report 3- Feasibility study into the development of an on-shore wind farm - Report	1,2,3,4,5	20.00	Sem 1 End	

No Practical

End of Module Formal Examination					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Formal Exam	A final written examination will assess the extent to which the student has achieved the module learning outcomes	1,2,3,5	70.00	End-of- Semester	

SETU Carlow Campus reserves the right to alter the nature and timings of assessment



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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time		
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Lecture	Every Week	3.00
Estimated Learner Hours	Every Week	3.00
	Total Hours	6.00