

# Mining Engineering

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## Program Description

Mining engineering is a broad profession, which embraces all required activities to facilitate the recovery of valuable metals and minerals from the earth's crust for the benefit of humanity. It is one of the oldest engineering professions, which continues to grow in importance. Everything in our "built world" requires metals and minerals, or tools and machinery required for construction and manufacturing. An adequate supply of mineral products at competitive prices is the life-blood of the continuing growth of industrialized nations and the foundation of progress for the developing countries.

The function of the mining engineer is to apply knowledge of pertinent scientific theory, engineering fundamentals, and improved technology to recover natural resources. Mining is a world-wide activity involving the extraction of non-metallic and metallic ores of all kinds, as well as solid fuel and energy sources such as coal and nuclear materials. In addition to mineral extraction, the skills of mining engineers are also needed in a variety of fields where the earth's crust is utilized, such as the underground construction industry. The construction industry, with its requirements of developing earth (rock) systems, tunnels and underground chambers, and the hazardous waste disposal industry are examples of such applications. These are expanding needs, with a shortage of competent people; the mining engineer is well qualified to meet these needs.

The importance of environmental and societal impacts is recognized and given significant attention in all aspects of the mining engineering curriculum.

Mines mining engineering students study the principles and techniques of mineral exploration, and underground and surface mining operations, as well as, mineral processing technologies. Studies include rock mechanics, rock fragmentation, plant and mine design, mine ventilation, surveying, valuation, industrial hygiene, mineral law, mine safety, computing, mineral processing, solution mining and operations research. Throughout the mining engineering curriculum, a constant effort is made to maintain a balance between theoretical principles and their engineering applications. The mining engineering graduate is qualified for positions in engineering, supervision, and research.

The Department recognizes the high expectations that industry has for our graduates as well as the responsibility we have to prepare our students for successful professional careers. To be successful, it is imperative that mining graduates possess an ever-growing set of technical skills, knowledge, and expertise. Beyond the technical aspects of basic sciences, engineering fundamentals, and problem-solving, mining engineering graduates must also acquire a host of other skills which are essential in today's global economy.

These include:

- The ability to work in interdisciplinary teams and communicate effectively to different types of audiences,
- An appreciation of the social, political, and economic realities of different cultures, countries, and indigenous peoples,
- An understanding of the global role mineral extraction and resource development have on local, regional, and international levels,
- The desire for continuing and life-long education, intellectual and professional development, analysis, and creativity,

- The need to maintain high professional and ethical standards,
- The importance of self-confidence, conviction, and compassion, and
- The skills critical to leadership and supervision.

Put simply, our vision for the Mining Engineering Department is to be internationally recognized as the World's premiere center for education and applied research in the diverse fields of mining and underground construction and tunneling. This vision spans across numerous interdisciplinary areas of study. Through collaborations with other Mines departments, academic institutions, government agencies, and industry, we are committed to expanding the international reputation of the Department for excellence in education, research, industry service, and community outreach.

## Program Educational Objectives

The Mining Engineering Department's program objectives are:

- Obtain professional positions in minerals or related industries, government, or pursue graduate education;
- Demonstrate advancement in their chosen careers through strong technical skills, work on interdisciplinary teams and diverse environments, effective communication, knowledge of current issues, and high standard of ethical conduct;
- Engage in appropriate professional societies and continuing education activities to achieve professional growth,

The program leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, <http://www.abet.org>.

## Student Learning Outcomes

1. An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics.
2. An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors.
3. An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences.
4. An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts.
5. An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives.
6. An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions.
7. An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies.

## Program Educational Objectives (Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering)

In addition to contributing toward achieving the educational objectives described in the CSM Graduate profile and the ABET Accreditation Criteria, the educational objectives which the Mining Engineering Department aspires to accomplish can be seen in the attributes of our graduates. The graduate is equipped with:

- A sound knowledge in the required basic sciences and engineering fundamentals;
- Knowledge and experience in the application of engineering principles to the exploitation of earth's resources and construction of earth (rock) systems in an engineering systems orientation and setting;
- Ability to solve complex mining and earth systems related problems;
- Capability for team work and decision making;
- Appreciation of the global role of minerals in the changing world;
- Desire for continuing education, intellectual and professional development, analysis and creativity;
- Self confidence and articulation, with high professional and ethical standards.

## Curriculum

The mining engineering curriculum is devised to facilitate the widest employability of CSM graduates. The curriculum is based on scientific engineering and geologic fundamentals and the application of these fundamentals to design and operate mines and to create structures in rock and prepare mine products for the market. To achieve this goal, the curriculum is designed to ensure that the graduates:

- become broad based mining engineers who can tackle the problems of both hard and soft rock mining, regardless of whether the mineral deposit requires surface or underground methods of extraction,
- have an opportunity, through elective courses, to specialize in one or more aspects of the mining engineering profession,
- are interested in an academic or research career, or wish to pursue employment in related fields, have a sufficiently sound scientific and engineering foundation to do so effectively.

This purpose permeates both the lower and upper division courses. Another important aspect of the curriculum is the development of the students' capabilities to be team members, with the added objective of preparing them for leadership in their professional life. The curriculum focuses on the application of engineering principles to solving problems, in short, engineering design in an earth systems approach.

## Degree Requirements (Mining Engineering)

### Freshman

Fall		lec	lab	sem.hrs
HASS100	NATURE AND HUMAN VALUES			3.0
MATH111	CALCULUS FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS I			4.0
CHGN121	PRINCIPLES OF CHEMISTRY I			4.0
GEGN101	EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS			4.0
CSM101	FRESHMAN SUCCESS SEMINAR			1.0
S&W	SUCCESS AND WELLNESS			1.0
				<b>17.0</b>

Spring		lec	lab	sem.hrs
PHGN100	PHYSICS I - MECHANICS			4.0
MATH112	CALCULUS FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS II			4.0
CHGN122	PRINCIPLES OF CHEMISTRY II (SC1)			4.0

CSCI128	COMPUTER SCIENCE FOR STEM			3.0
CSM202	INTRODUCTION TO STUDENT WELL-BEING AT MINES			1.0
				<b>16.0</b>

### Sophomore

Fall		lec	lab	sem.hrs
MATH213	CALCULUS FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS III			4.0
PHGN200	PHYSICS II- ELECTROMAGNETISM AND OPTICS			4.0
MNGN318	STATICS AND DYNAMICS COMBINED FOR MN			4.0
HASS200	GLOBAL STUDIES			3.0
				<b>15.0</b>

### Spring

		lec	lab	sem.hrs
MATH225	DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS			3.0
CEEN311	MECHANICS OF MATERIALS			3.0
EBGN321	ENGINEERING ECONOMICS			3.0

\*For the 2023 Catalog EBGN321 replaced EBGN201 as a Core requirement. EBGN321 was added to the core, but has a prerequisite of 60 credit hours. Students whose programs that required EBGN201 the sophomore year may need to wait to take EBGN321 until their junior year. For complete details, please visit: <https://www.mines.edu/registrar/core-curriculum/>\*For the 2023 Catalog EBGN321 replaced EBGN201 as a Core requirement. EBGN321 was added to the course, but has a prerequisite of 60 credit hours. Students whose programs that required EBGN201 the sophomore year may need to wait to take EBGN321 until their junior year. For complete details, please visit: <https://www.mines.edu/registrar/core-curriculum/>

MNGN210	INTRODUCTORY MINING			3.0
EDNS151	CORNERSTONE - DESIGN I			3.0
				<b>15.0</b>

### Summer

		lec	lab	sem.hrs
MNGN308	MINE SAFETY			1.0
MNGN203	SOFTWARE FUNDAMENTALS FOR 3D DATA ANALYSIS AND MINE PLANNING			1.0
MNGN205	MINING ENGINEERING FIELD EXPERIENCE (optional)			2.0
				<b>2.0</b>

### Junior

Fall		lec	lab	sem.hrs
MNGN310	EARTH MATERIALS			3.0
MNGN309	MINE SAFETY AND OPERATIONS			2.0

MNGN312	SURFACE MINE DESIGN	3.0
MNGN321	INTRODUCTION TO ROCK MECHANICS	3.0
EENG281	INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS, ELECTRONICS AND POWER	3.0
FREE	Free Elective	3.0

**17.0**

<b>Spring</b>	<b>lec</b>	<b>lab</b>	<b>sem.hrs</b>
MNGN311			3.0
MNGN314			3.0
MEGN351/ PEGN251			3.0
ELECTIVE			3.0
FREE			3.0

**15.0**

<b>Summer</b>	<b>lec</b>	<b>lab</b>	<b>sem.hrs</b>
MNGN301			2.0

**2.0**

<b>Senior</b>	<b>lec</b>	<b>lab</b>	<b>sem.hrs</b>
<b>Fall</b>			
MNGN322			3.0
MNGN414			3.0
MNGN428			1.0
MNGN438			3.0
ELECTIVE			3.0
FREE			3.0

**16.0**

<b>Spring</b>	<b>lec</b>	<b>lab</b>	<b>sem.hrs</b>
MNGN429			2.0
MNGN433			3.0
MNGN427			2.0
MNGN410			2.0
MNGN425			4.0
ELECTIVE			3.0

**16.0****Total Semester Hrs: 131.0**

## Major GPA

During the 2016-2017 Academic Year, the Undergraduate Council considered the policy concerning required major GPAs and which courses are included in each degree's GPA. While the GPA policy has not been officially updated, in order to provide transparency, council members agreed that publishing the courses included in each degree's GPA is beneficial to students.

The following list details the courses that are included in the GPA for this degree:

- MNGN100 through MNGN599 inclusive

## Minor Programs

The Mining Engineering Department offers three minor programs; the traditional mining engineering program for non-mining majors, underground construction and tunneling and explosive engineering.

## Mining Engineering Minor

The minor program in mining engineering requires students to take:

Required for all students:	3.0
MNGN210	INTRODUCTORY MINING
Select two of the following:	6.0
MNGN312	SURFACE MINE DESIGN
MNGN314	UNDERGROUND MINE DESIGN
MNGN316	COAL MINING METHODS
Other courses from mining engineering	9.0
<b>Total Semester Hrs</b>	<b>18.0</b>

The list of available courses can be found in the mining engineering department office.

## Explosive Engineering Minor

### Program Advisor: Lee Fronapfel

There are very few academic explosive engineering programs worldwide. Colorado School of Mines is one of a few educational institutions that offers an explosive engineering minor program in the U.S.A. Developed in the Mines tradition of combining academic education with hands-on experience, this minor program will prepare students for new and developing applications involving the use of explosives in the mining and materials engineering, underground construction, oil and gas operations, demolition, homeland security, military, forensic investigations, manufacturing and material synthesis.

With the proper program development of courses and basic knowledge in explosive engineering, students enrolled in this program will discover and gain insight into the exciting industrial applications of explosives, selection of explosives, and the correct and safe use of the energetic materials. With the help of the program advisor, the students will design and select the proper course sequence and complete hands-on research project under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

A total of 18 credits are needed to complete the Explosive Engineering Minor Program. This is the preferred route for students that would like to specialize in explosive engineering. The first three (required) courses will provide the students with basic knowledge in explosive engineering. The subsequent courses will give students a view into the mining and

geotechnical applications of explosive engineering, such as with surface mining, underground mining, or underground construction.

**REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS: 9.0**

MNGN333	EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING I (REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS:)
MNGN407	ROCK FRAGMENTATION (REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS:)
MNGN444	EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING II (REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS:)

**AT LEAST THREE COURSES FROM THE FOLLOWING: 9.0**

MNGN210	INTRODUCTORY MINING
MNGN308	MINE SAFETY
MNGN309	MINE SAFETY AND OPERATIONS
MNGN312	SURFACE MINE DESIGN
MNGN314	UNDERGROUND MINE DESIGN
MNGN316	COAL MINING METHODS
MNGN321	INTRODUCTION TO ROCK MECHANICS
MNGN404	TUNNELING
MNGN405	ROCK MECHANICS IN MINING
MNGN406	DESIGN AND SUPPORT OF UNDERGROUND EXCAVATIONS
MNGN408	UNDERGROUND DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
MNGN499	INDEPENDENT STUDY

**Total Semester Hrs 18.0**

## Space Mining Minor

**Program Advisor: Dr. Jamal Rostami**

Students enrolled in this program will gain insight into the basic knowledge in planetary geology, exploration methods, and resource/reserve estimation and valuation. In addition, they will also gain practical knowledge in applications of various equipment necessary for excavation and the production of basic materials needed to build sustainable habitats and infrastructures. Program advisors include the faculty members of the Mining Engineering Department and those of the Center for Space Resources (CSR). They will advise students in the selection of a proper course sequence and guide them to complete projects.

A total of 6 courses or 18 credits is required to complete a Minor in Space Mining in the Department of Mining Engineering. This minor program will prepare students to further specialize in ISRU engineering. The first three required courses will provide the students with basic knowledge related to space resources. The subsequent courses will give students applied knowledge in more focused areas in space mining.

Required for all students: 9.0

MNGN210	INTRODUCTORY MINING
GEOL410	PLANETARY GEOLOGY
SPRS401	SPACE RESOURCES FUNDAMENTALS

At least three courses from the list below 9.0

**Total Semester Hrs 18.0**

**At least three of courses from the following list are needed to complete a minor in Space Mining: 9.0**

EBGN310	ENVIRONMENTAL AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS
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EBGN321	ENGINEERING ECONOMICS
EDNS430	CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
GEGN403	MINERAL EXPLORATION DESIGN
GEOL470	APPLICATIONS OF SATELLITE REMOTE SENSING
MNGN312	SURFACE MINE DESIGN
MNGN321	INTRODUCTION TO ROCK MECHANICS
MNGN322	INTRODUCTION TO MINERAL PROCESSING AND LABORATORY
MNGN333	EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING I
MNGN335	COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
MNGN407	ROCK FRAGMENTATION
MNGN427	MINE VALUATION
MTGN461	TRANSPORT PHENOMENA AND REACTOR DESIGN FOR METALLURGICAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERS
MTGN462	SOLID WASTE MINIMIZATION AND RECYCLING
MNGN470	SAFETY AND HEALTH MANAGEMENT IN THE MINING INDUSTRY
MNGN498	DATA ANALYTICS FOR RESOURCES ENGINEERING
MNGN502	GEOSPATIAL BIG DATA ANALYTICS
MNGN567	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EARTH RESOURCES
MNGN570	SAFETY AND HEALTH MANAGEMENT IN THE MINING INDUSTRY
MEGN458	INTRO TO SPACE EXPLORATION AND RESOURCES
MEGN441	INTRODUCTION TO ROBOTICS

## Courses

### MNGN198. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MINING ENGINEERING. 6.0

**Semester Hrs.**

(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student(s). Usually the course is offered only once. Prerequisite: none. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

### MNGN199. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.

(I, II) (WI) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member, also, when a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, and credit hours. Prerequisite: ?Independent Study? form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.

### MNGN203. SOFTWARE FUNDAMENTALS FOR 3D DATA ANALYSIS AND MINE PLANNING. 1.0 Semester Hr.

Software Fundamentals for 3D Data Analysis and Mine Planning. This course is designed to provide an introduction to geologic data set coming from mining exploration project, 3D visualization of sub-surface information representing geologic rock types, lithologies, alterations, and grades, and creation of solid models of geologic domains followed by statistical analysis of 3D subsurface data, interpretation of grade information into block models for economic valuation, pit limit analysis and mine planning using a commercial software package called MinePlan software from Hexagon Mining. Prerequisite: MNGN210 or instructor consent.

**MNGN205. MINING ENGINEERING FIELD EXPERIENCE. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

The objectives of this course are to provide the student with a fundamental understanding of mine operations, exploration, mineral processing, and the importance of safety, social and community factors, and environmental stewardship through hands-on exercises and tours of mines, processing facilities, and industry-relevant sites. The curriculum within this course has been designed to expose students to a wide array of experiences and provide insights that will aid them in upper-division courses. Prerequisite: MNGN 210, MNGN 308 or instructor consent.

**MNGN210. INTRODUCTORY MINING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

INTRODUCTORY MINING (I, II) Survey of mining and mining economics. Topics include mining law, exploration and sampling, reserve estimation, project evaluation, basic unit operations including drilling, blasting, loading and hauling, support, shaft sinking and an introduction to surface and underground mining methods. Prerequisite: None. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN222. INTRODUCTION TO EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(S) A basic introduction to explosives engineering and applied explosives science for students that recently completed their freshman or sophomore years at CSM. Topics covered will include safety and explosives regulations, chemistry of explosives, explosives physics, and detonation properties. The course features a significant hands-on practical laboratory learning component with several sessions held at the Explosives Research Laboratory (ERL) in Idaho Springs. Students completing this course will be well prepared for more advanced work in MNGN333 and MNGN444. Prerequisites: PHGN100, CHGN121, CHGN122, MATH111, and MATH112. 2 hours lecture; 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN251. METALLURGICAL AND MATERIALS THERMODYNAMICS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Applications of thermodynamics in extractive and physical metallurgy and materials science. Thermodynamics of solutions including solution models and thermodynamic properties of alloys and slags. Reaction equilibria with examples in alloy systems and slags. Phase stability analysis. Thermodynamic properties of binary alloys in the solid state, defect equilibrium, and interactions. Prerequisite: MATH112, CHGN122 or CHGN125, PHGN100.

**MNGN298. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MINING ENGINEERING. 6.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student(s). Usually the course is offered only once. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

**MNGN299. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.**

(I, II) (WI) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member. When a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, method of assessment, and credit hours, it must be approved by the Department Head. Prerequisite: "Independent Study" form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.

**MNGN301. MINE SURVEYING. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

Lectures and hands-on fieldwork to teach students the modern methods of mine surveying applicable to underground mining. This course will familiarize students with the tools and techniques needed to perform underground traversing including balancing of loop surveys, setting out points, establishing line and grade. (10 days) Prerequisite: MNGN210, MNGN308 or instructor consent.

**MNGN308. MINE SAFETY. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

(I) Causes and prevention of accidents. Mine safety regulations. Mine rescue training. Safety management and organization. Prerequisite: MNGN210. 1 hour lecture; 1 semester hour. Taken as the first week of summer session.

**MNGN309. MINE SAFETY AND OPERATIONS. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I, II) Training in practical mine labor functions including: operation of jackleg drills, jumbo drills, muckers, and LHD machines. Training stresses safe operation of equipment and safe handling of explosives. Introduction to front-line management techniques. 2 semester hours. Prerequisite: MNGN210 and MSHA part 48, 40-hour training and 5000.23 certificate.

**MNGN310. EARTH MATERIALS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Introduction to Earth Materials, emphasizing the structure, formation, distribution and engineering behavior of minerals and rocks. Structural features and processes are related to stress/strain theory and rock mechanics principles. Laboratories and field exercises emphasize the recognition, description and engineering evaluation of natural materials. Lectures and case study exercises present the knowledge of natural materials and processes necessary for mining engineering careers. Prerequisites: GEGN101. 2 hours lecture; 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN311. MINING GEOLOGY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Introduction to Mining Geology, emphasizing the formation, distribution, engineering behavior, exploration for and geological aspects of development of ore materials. Laboratories emphasize the recognition, description and engineering evaluation of ores and their hosts. Lectures and case study exercises present the knowledge of ores and ore-forming processes necessary for mining engineering careers. Prerequisites: GEGN 101, (GEOL310 or MNGN310). 2 hours lecture; 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN312. SURFACE MINE DESIGN. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Analysis of elements of surface mine operation and design of surface mining system components with emphasis on minimization of adverse environmental impact and maximization of efficient use of mineral resources. Ore and coal estimates, unit operations, equipment selection, final pit determinations, short- and longrange planning, road layouts, dump planning, and cost estimation. Prerequisite: MNGN210.

**MNGN314. UNDERGROUND MINE DESIGN. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Selection, design, and development of most suitable underground mining methods based upon the physical and the geological properties of mineral deposits (coal, metallics and nonmetallics), conservation considerations, and associated environmental impacts. Reserve estimates, development and production planning, engineering drawings for development and extraction, underground haulage systems, and cost estimates. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours. Prerequisite: MNGN210.

**MNGN316. COAL MINING METHODS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) (WI) Devoted to surface and underground coal mining methods and design. The surface mining portion emphasizes area-mining methods, including pertinent design-related regulations, and overburden removal systems. Pit layout, sequencing, overburden equipment selection and cost estimation are presented. The underground mining portion emphasizes general mine layout; detailed layout of continuous, conventional, longwall, and shortwall sections. General cost and manning requirements; and production analysis. Federal and state health and safety regulations are included in all aspects of mine layout. Prerequisite: MNGN210. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab, 3 semester hours.

**MNGN317. DYNAMICS FOR MINING ENGINEERS. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

(II) For mining engineering majors only. Absolute and relative motions, kinetics, work-energy, impulse-momentum and angular impulse-momentum. Prerequisite: MATH213/223, CEEN241. 1 hour lecture; 1 semester hour.

**MNGN318. STATICS AND DYNAMICS COMBINED FOR MN. 4.0 Semester Hrs.**

This course will cover: (for statics) forces, moments, couples, equilibrium, centroids and second moments of areas, volumes and masses, hydrostatics, friction; and (for dynamics) particle kinematics (including 2-D motion in x-y coordinates, normal-tangential coordinates, & polar coordinates), rigid body kinematics (Including relative velocities and accelerations), rigid body kinetics (including the equation of motion, work and energy, linear impulse-momentum, & angular momentum). Particle kinematics (including 2-D motion in x-y coordinates, normal-tangential coordinates, & polar coordinates), rigid body kinematics (Including relative velocities and accelerations), rigid body kinetics (including the equation of motion, work and energy, linear impulse-momentum, & angular momentum). Prerequisite: PHGN100, MATH213.

**MNGN321. INTRODUCTION TO ROCK MECHANICS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Physical properties of rock, and fundamentals of rock substance and rock mass response to applied loads. Principles of elastic analysis and stress-strain relationships. Elementary principles of the theoretical and applied design of underground openings and pit slopes. Emphasis on practical applied aspects. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours. Prerequisite: CEEN311, MNGN318 or CEEN241.

**MNGN322. INTRODUCTION TO MINERAL PROCESSING AND LABORATORY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Principles and practice of crushing, grinding, size classification; mineral concentration technologies including magnetic and electrostatic separation, gravity separation, and flotation. Sedimentation, thickening, filtration and product drying as well as tailings disposal technologies are included. The course is open to all CSM students. Prerequisite: PHGN200/ 210, MATH213/223. 2 hours lecture; 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN333. EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING I. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) This course gives students in engineering and applied sciences the opportunity to examine and develop a fundamental knowledge including terminology and understanding of explosives science and engineering concepts. Student learning will be demonstrated by assignments, quizzes, and exams. Learning assistance will come in the form of multidisciplinary lectures complemented by a few lectures from experts from government, industry and the explosives engineering community. Pre-requisites: None. 2 hours lecture; 3 hours lab. 3 semester hours.

**MNGN334. CHEMICAL PROCESSING OF MATERIALS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Development and application of fundamental principles related to the processing of metals and materials by thermochemical, aqueous, and fused salt electrochemical/chemical routes. The course material is presented within the framework of a formalism that examines the physical chemistry, thermodynamics, reaction mechanisms and kinetics inherent to a wide selection of chemical processing systems. The general formalism provides for a transferable knowledge-base to other systems not specifically covered in the course. Prerequisite: MTGN272, MTGN351, CEEN267 or EDNS251 or EDNS261 or EDNS262 or EDNS264 or EDNS269. Co-requisite: MTGN334L.

**MNGN335. COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

This course examines the relationship between humans and their environment across space and time. In particular, it focuses on the intersections between natural resource developments and communities. By incorporating theoretical perspectives from environmental anthropology, it draws from frameworks of political ecology, social and environmental justice, indigenous rights, disasters, vulnerability, natural resource management, unequal development, and environmental futures. Drawing from case studies from mining, oil and gas, and energy developments, students will gain knowledge and skills in evaluating how natural resource developments and communities coexist.

**MNGN340. COOPERATIVE EDUCATION. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I, II, S) Supervised, full-time, engineering-related employment for a continuous six-month period (or its equivalent) in which specific educational objectives are achieved. Prerequisite: Second semester sophomore status and a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.00. 0 to 3 semester hours. Cooperative Education credit does not count toward graduation except under special conditions.

**MNGN350. INTRODUCTION TO GEOTHERMAL ENERGY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Geothermal energy resources and their utilization, based on geoscience and engineering perspectives. Geoscience topics include world wide occurrences of resources and their classification, heat and mass transfer, geothermal reservoirs, hydrothermal geochemistry, exploration methods, and resource assessment. Engineering topics include thermodynamics of water, power cycles, electricity generation, drilling and well measurements, reservoir-surface engineering, and direct utilization. Economic and environmental considerations and case studies are also presented. Prerequisites: ENGY200. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN398. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MINING ENGINEERING. 1-6 Semester Hr.**

(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student( s). Usually the course is offered only once. Prerequisite: none. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

**MNGN399. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.**

(I, II) (WI) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member. When a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, method of assessment, and credit hours, it must be approved by the Department Head. Prerequisite: "Independent Study" form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.

**MNGN404. TUNNELING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Modern tunneling techniques. Emphasis on evaluation of ground conditions, estimation of support requirements, methods of tunnel driving and boring, design systems and equipment, and safety. Prerequisite: none. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN405. ROCK MECHANICS IN MINING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) The course deals with the rock mechanics aspect of design of mine layouts developed in both underground and surface. Underground mining sections include design of coal and hard rock pillars, mine layout design for tabular and massive ore bodies, assessment of caving characteristics or ore bodies, performance and application of backfill, and phenomenon of rock burst and its alleviation. Surface mining portion covers rock mass characterization, failure modes of slopes excavated in rock masses, probabilistic and deterministic approaches to design of slopes, and remedial measures for slope stability problems. Prerequisite: MN321 or equivalent. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN406. DESIGN AND SUPPORT OF UNDERGROUND EXCAVATIONS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Design of underground excavations and support. Analysis of stress and rock mass deformations around excavations using analytical and numerical methods. Collections, preparation, and evaluation of in situ and laboratory data for excavation design. Use of rock mass rating systems for site characterization and excavation design. Study of support types and selection of support for underground excavations. Use of numerical models for design of shafts, tunnels and large chambers. Prerequisite: none. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours. Offered in odd years.

**MNGN407. ROCK FRAGMENTATION. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Theory and application of rock drilling, rock boring, explosives, blasting, and mechanical rock breakage. Design of blasting rounds, applications to surface and underground excavation. Prerequisite: CEEN241, concurrent enrollment. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN408. UNDERGROUND DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Soil and rock engineering applied to underground civil works. Tunneling and the construction of underground openings for power facilities, water conveyance, transportation, and waste disposal; design, excavation and support of underground openings. Emphasis on consulting practice, case studies, geotechnical design, and construction methods. Prerequisite: CEEN312 OR MNGN321. 2 hours of lecture; 2 semester hours.

**MNGN410. EXCAVATION PROJECT MANAGEMENT. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Successful implementation and management of surface and underground construction projects, preparation of contract documents, project bidding and estimating, contract awarding and notice to proceed, value engineering, risk management, construction management and dispute resolution, evaluation of differing site conditions claims. Prerequisite: MNGN 210, 2-hour lecture, 2 semester hours.

**MNGN414. MINE PLANT DESIGN. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Analysis of mine plant elements with emphasis on design. Materials handling, dewatering, hoisting, belt conveyor and other material handling systems for underground mines. Prerequisite: MNGN312 and MNGN314. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hour.

**MNGN418. ADVANCED ROCK MECHANICS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Equivalent with MNGN508, Analytical and numerical modeling analysis of stresses and displacements induced around engineering excavations in rock. In-situ stress. Rock failure criteria. Complete load deformation behavior of rocks. Measurement and monitoring techniques in rock mechanics. Principles of design of excavation in rocks. Analytical, numerical modeling and empirical design methods. Probabilistic and deterministic approaches to rock engineering designs. Excavation design examples for shafts, tunnels, large chambers and mine pillars. Seismic loading of structures in rock. Phenomenon of rock burst and its alleviation. Prerequisite: MNGN321. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN421. DESIGN OF UNDERGROUND EXCAVATIONS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Design of underground openings in competent and broken ground using rock mechanics principles. Rock bolting design and other ground support methods. Coal, evaporite, metallic and nonmetallic deposits included. Prerequisite: MNGN321, concurrent enrollment. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN422. FLOTATION. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

Science and engineering governing the practice of mineral concentration by flotation. Interfacial phenomena, flotation reagents, mineral-reagent interactions, and zeta-potential are covered. Flotation circuit design and evaluation as well as tailings handling are also covered. The course also includes laboratory demonstrations of some fundamental concepts. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN423. FLOTATION LABORATORY. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

(I) Experiments to accompany the lectures in MNGN422. Co-requisite: MNGN421. 3 hours lab; 1 semester hour.

**MNGN424. MINE VENTILATION. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Fundamentals of mine ventilation, including control of gas, dust, temperature, and humidity; ventilation network analysis and design of systems. Prerequisites: PEGN251 or MEGN351, CHGN209 or MEGN361, and MNGN314. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN425. MINE VENTILATION AND THERMODYNAMICS. 4.0 Semester Hrs.**

Fundamentals of mine ventilation and thermodynamics, including heat transfer, flow and control of gas, dust, temperature, and humidity; ventilation network analysis and design of mine ventilation systems. Prerequisite: MNGN314, EGGN351 or PEGN251 or instructor consent.

**MNGN426. HYDRO- AND ELECTRO-METALLURGY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Physicochemical principles associated with the extraction and refining of metals by hydro- and electrometallurgical techniques. Discussion of unit processes in hydrometallurgy, electrowinning, and electrorefining. Analysis of integrated flowsheets for the recovery of nonferrous metals. Prerequisite: MTGN334, MTGN352, MTGN351 or MTGN251. Co-requisite: MTGN461.

**MNGN427. MINE VALUATION. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Course emphasis is on the business aspects of mining. Topics include time valuation of money and interest formulas, cash flow, investment criteria, tax considerations, risk and sensitivity analysis, escalation and inflation and cost of capital. Calculation procedures are illustrated by case studies. Computer programs are used. Prerequisite: Senior in Mining, graduate status. 2 hours lecture; 2 semester hours.

**MNGN428. MINING ENGINEERING EVALUATION AND DESIGN REPORT I. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

Preparation of Phase I engineering report based on coordination of all previous work. Includes mineral deposit selection, geologic description, mining method selection, ore reserve determination, and permit process outline. Emphasis is on detailed mine design and cost analysis evaluation in preparation for MNGN429. Prerequisite: MNGN210, MNGN203, MNGN308, MNGN312, MNGN314, MNGN309, MNGN321, GEOL310, GEOL311. Co-requisite: MNGN438.

**MNGN429. MINING ENGINEERING EVALUATION AND DESIGN REPORT II. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) (WI) Preparation of formal engineering report based on all course work in the mining option. Emphasis is on mine design, equipment selection, production scheduling, evaluation and cost analysis. Prerequisite: MNGN428, MNGN210, MNGN300, MNGN308, MNGN312, MNGN314, MNGN309, MNGN321, MNGN316, GEOL310 or MNGN310, GEOL311 or MNGN311, MNGN438, MNGN414. Co-requisites: MNGN322 or MNGN323, MNGN427, and MNGN433. 2 hours lecture; 2 semester hours.

**MNGN430. PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY OF IRON AND STEELMAKING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Physical chemistry principles of blast furnace and direct reduction production of iron and refining of iron to steel. Discussion of raw materials, productivity, impurity removal, deoxidation, alloy additions, and ladle metallurgy. Prerequisite: MTGN334, MTGN251 or MTGN351.

**MNGN431. MINING AND METALLURGICAL ENVIRONMENT. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

This course covers studies of the interface between mining and metallurgical process engineering and environmental engineering areas. Wastes, effluents and their point sources in mining and metallurgical processes such as mineral concentration, value extraction and process metallurgy are studied in context. Fundamentals of unit operations and unit processes with those applicable to waste and effluent control, disposal and materials recycling are covered. Engineering design and engineering cost components are also included for some examples chosen. The ratio of fundamentals applications coverage is about 1:1. Prerequisite: none. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN432. PYROMETALLURGY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Extraction and refining of metals including emerging practices. Modifications driven by environmental regulations and by energy minimization. Analysis and design of processes and the impact of economic constraints. Prerequisite: MTGN334.

**MNGN433. MINE SYSTEMS ANALYSIS I. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Application of statistics, systems analysis, and operations research techniques to mineral industry problems. Laboratory work using computer techniques to improve efficiency of mining operations. Prerequisite: Senior or graduate status. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN434. PROCESS ANALYSIS. 1.0 Semester Hr.**

Projects to accompany the lectures in MNGN422. Prerequisite: MNGN422. 3 hours lab; 1 semester hour.

**MNGN436. UNDERGROUND COAL MINE DESIGN. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Design of an underground coal mine based on an actual coal reserve. This course shall utilize all previous course material in the actual design of an underground coal mine. Ventilation, materials handling, electrical transmission and distribution, fluid mechanics, equipment selection and application, mine plant design. Information from all basic mining survey courses will be used. Prerequisite: MNGN316, MNGN321, MNGN414, EGGN329 and MNGN381 or MNGN384. 3 hours lecture, 3 hours lab; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN438. GEOSTATISTICS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Introduction to elementary probability theory and its applications in engineering and sciences; discrete and continuous probability distributions; parameter estimation; hypothesis testing; linear regression; spatial correlations and geostatistics with emphasis on applications in earth sciences and engineering. Prerequisites: MATH112. 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of lab. 3 semester hours.

**MNGN440. EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT ANALYSIS. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Introduction to the fundamentals of classical equipment replacement theory. Emphasis on new, practical approaches to equipment replacement decision making. Topics include: operating and maintenance costs, obsolescence factors, technological changes, salvage, capital investments, minimal average annual costs, optimum economic life, infinite and finite planning horizons, replacement cycles, replacement vs. expansion, maximization of returns from equipment replacement expenditures. Prerequisite: MNGN427, senior or graduate status. 2 hours lecture; 2 semester hours.

**MNGN444. EXPLOSIVES ENGINEERING II. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) This course gives students in engineering and applied sciences the opportunity to acquire the fundamental concepts of explosives engineering and science applications as they apply to industry and real life examples. Students will expand upon their MNGN333 knowledge and develop a more advanced knowledge base including an understanding of the subject as it applies to their specific project interests. Assignments, quizzes, concept modeling and their project development and presentation will demonstrate student's progress. Prerequisite: MNGN333. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab, 3 semester hours.

**MNGN445. ROCK SLOPE ENGINEERING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Introduction to the analysis and design of slopes excavated in rock. Rock mass classification and strength determinations, geological structural parameters, properties of fracture sets, data collection techniques, hydrological factors, methods of analysis of slope stability, wedge intersections, monitoring and maintenance of final pit slopes, classification of slides. Deterministic and probabilistic approaches in slope design. Remedial measures. Laboratory and field exercise in slope design. Collection of data and specimens in the field for determining physical properties required for slope design. Application of numerical modeling and analytical techniques to slope stability determinations for hard rock and soft rock environments. Prerequisite: none. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN452. SOLUTION MINING AND PROCESSING OF ORES. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Theory and application of advanced methods of extracting and processing of minerals, underground or in situ, to recover solutions and concentrates of value-materials, by minimization of the traditional surface processing and disposal of tailings to minimize environmental impacts. Prerequisite: Senior or graduate status; none. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours. Offered in spring.

**MNGN460. INDUSTRIAL MINERALS PRODUCTION. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) This course describes the engineering principles and practices associated with quarry mining operations related to the cement and aggregates industries. The course will cover resource definition, quarry planning and design, extraction, and processing of material for cement and aggregate production. Permitting issues and reclamation, particle sizing and environmental practices, will be studied in depth. Prerequisite: MNGN312, MNGN322, MNGN323. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours. Offered in spring.

**MNGN461. TRANSPORT PHENOMENA AND REACTOR DESIGN FOR METALLURGICAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERS. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Introduction to the conserved-quantities: momentum, heat, and mass transfer, and application of chemical kinetics to elementary reactor-design. Examples from materials processing and process metallurgy. Molecular transport properties: viscosity, thermal conductivity, and mass diffusivity of materials encountered during processing operations. Uni-directional transport: problem formulation based on the required balance of the conserved- quantity applied to a control-volume. Prediction of velocity, temperature and concentration profiles. Equations of change: continuity, motion, and energy. Transport with two independent variables (unsteady-state behavior). Interphase transport: dimensionless correlations friction factor, heat, and mass transfer coefficients. Elementary concepts of radiation heat-transfer. Flow behavior in packed beds. Design equations for: continuous- flow/batch reactors with uniform dispersion and plug flow reactors. Digital computer methods for the design of metallurgical systems. Prerequisite: MATH225, MTGN334, MTGN352.



**MNGN462. SOLID WASTE MINIMIZATION AND RECYCLING. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

This course will examine, using case studies, how industry applies engineering principles to minimize waste formation and to meet solid waste recycling challenges. Both proven and emerging solutions to solid waste environmental problems, especially those associated with metals, will be discussed. Prerequisite: CEEN301, CEEN302, CHGN403.

**MNGN470. SAFETY AND HEALTH MANAGEMENT IN THE MINING INDUSTRY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(I) Fundamentals of managing occupational safety and health at a mining operation. Includes tracking of accident and injury statistics, risk management, developing a safety and health management plan, meeting MSHA regulatory requirements, training, safety audits and accident investigations. 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN482. MINE MANAGEMENT. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

(II) Basic principles of successful mine management including supervision skills, administrative policies, industrial and human relations, improvement engineering, risk management, conflict resolution and external affairs. Prerequisite: Senior or graduate status. 2 hours lecture and 1 hour case study presentation and discussion per week; 3 hours lecture; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN490. ENERGY AND SOCIETY. 3.0 Semester Hrs.**

Equivalent with ENGY490, LAIS490,

(II). A transdisciplinary capstone seminar that explores a spectrum of approaches to the understanding, planning, and implementation of energy production and use, including those typical of diverse private and public (national and international) corporations, organizations, states, and agencies. Aspects of global energy policy that may be considered include the historical, social, cultural, economic, ethical, political, and environmental aspects of energy together with comparative methodologies and assessments of diverse forms of energy development. Prerequisites: ENGY330/EBGN330 and one of either ENGY310, ENGY320, or ENGY340. 3 hours lecture/seminar; 3 semester hours.

**MNGN498. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MINING ENGINEERING. 1-6 Semester Hr.**

(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student(s). Usually the course is offered only once. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

**MNGN499. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.**

(I, II) (WI) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member. When a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, method of assessment, and credit hours, it must be approved by the Department Head. Prerequisite: "Independent Study" form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.

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