

Course Title	Experimental and Statistical Analysis
Course Code	MME105
Course Purpose and Objectives	This experimental course aims to introduce the students to basic experimental techniques employed for the determination of physical parameters, to the statistical analysis of experimental data, graphical methods for data presentation and to the preparation of laboratory reports.
Course Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction in Experimental and Statistical Analysis (error sources, error theory, significant digits, propagation error, introduction in the construction of plots, least square method). - <u>Laboratory Exercises:</u> <p>Π1: Law of conservation of linear momentum (Newton's 2nd Law)</p> <p>Π2: Determination of gravitational acceleration (g) using a simple pendulum</p> <p>Π3: Equation of state/constitutive equation – Hooke's Law</p> <p>Π4: Conservation of Energy: Torque – Work</p> <p>Π5: Torque of Parallel and non-parallel forces</p> <p>Π6: Moment of inertia</p> <p>Π7: Determination of friction coefficient</p> <p>Π8: Thermal expansion</p> <p>Π9: Specific heat capacity</p> <p>Π10: Boyle's Law</p> <p>Π11: Charles' law</p> <p>Π12: Determination of viscosity</p>
Learning Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Accurate performance of laboratory experiments and correct acquisition of experimental data - Understanding of the significance of complying with health and safety regulations in laboratories. - Understanding the meaning of “accuracy” and “precision” in experimental measurements - Performance of a quality test (Q-test) for the identification and rejection of “suspect” experimental values. - Understanding rounding and significant digits - Understanding on the main sources and categories of experimental errors - Ability to perform statistical analysis and evaluation on experimental data - Understanding of error propagation and solving related problems. - Ability to generate plots from experimental data. - Ability for processing primary experimental data in order to obtain linear plots. - Understanding and use of the least square method - Skill development on the evaluation of the quality of an experiment. - Preparation of well-structured written laboratory reports. - Use of excel software in analyzing experimental data and constructing plots.

