Engineering Sustainability Emphasis: Course Suggestions

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This list of classes is a suggestion for you as you build your Emphasis. You will have to make sure you have the prerequisites and in some cases you also might need to get permission from the faculty teaching the class.

ENVE 331: Fundamentals of Environmental Engineering. Description and quantification of water and air quality characteristics important for water and wastewater treatment and air pollution control. Fundamentals of kinetics, reactor configurations, toxicity and dose-response relationship. Regulations governing ambient pollutant levels and discharges.

ME 341,347: Fluid Mechanics: Fluid properties and fluid statics. Viscous flow, boundary layer concepts, lift and drag, compressible flow, turbomachinery.

ME 415: Energy Conversion. Engineering aspects of energy sources, conversion and storage. Topics selected from fossil fuel systems, nuclear power, thermoelectric systems, thermionic converters, fuel cells, magnetohydrodynamic generators, and geothermal, tidal, wind and ocean temperature energy conversion systems

ME 450: Solar Thermal Power Systems. High and intermediate temperature systems for conversion of solar energy to mechanical power and heat. Thermal energy storage and total thermal energy system design.

BRAE 348: Energy for a Sustainable Society. Study of how the transition can be made from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources including hydro, biomass, solar, wind, and energy conservation. Environmental, economic, and political consequences of a renewable energy-based sustainable society

IME 303: Project Organization and Management. Design and implementation of a major industrial/business systems project. Project planning considerations. Motivational and influence techniques used in project management. Scheduling techniques with risk assessment. Resource leveling and management under constraints. Reducing project duration. Monitoring progress with earned value analysis. Project audit and closure. Planning and implementation of a project. Application of project management software.

IME 319: Human Factors Engineering. Analysis of factors influencing the efficiency of human work. Data on the physical and mental capacities of persons, the physical environment, work organization, and the problem of aging. Design of machines, operations, human computer interface and work environment to match human capacities and limitations, including the handicapped.

IME 401: Sales Engineering. Concepts and principles of engineering in sales. Role of the professional engineer in the analysis, design, development, production, and final application of a product or system required by the buyer.

EE 255,295: *Energy Conversion Electromagnetics and Laboratory*. Fundamentals of electromechanical energy conversion. Magnetic circuits and electromagnetic devices. Theory of operation and operating characteristics of transformers, and AC induction and synchronous machines.

EE 420: Sustainable Electric Energy Conversion. Electrical engineering aspects of photovoltaic and wind power generation and usage, and electrochemical energy conversion. Power control, processing, and

quality for grid-connected and stand-alone systems. Distribution and storage of electric energy. Hydrogen and synthetic fuels. Distributed generation.

