

# School of Engineering and Computer Science

Te Kura Mātai Pūkaha, Pūrorohiko



## Prescription

The course takes a practice-based approach to teaching engineering project management, including aspects of project life cycle, requirements analysis, principles of design, project tasks and deliverables, contracts, cost estimation, project scheduling, risk management, quality assurance, managing project resources, testing and delivery, interpersonal communication, teamwork and project leadership. Students will work on a technical group project which will provide opportunities to practice the project management techniques learned in class.

## Course learning objectives

Students who pass this course should be able to:

1. Understand project life cycles.
2. Elicit client requirements, identify risks and plan a project.
3. Apply professional standards and good practices to focus on client needs and maximize the success of a project in both technical and interpersonal aspects.
4. Prepare and deliver project progress reports orally and in writing.

## Course content

ENGR 301 takes a pragmatic and practical approach to teaching basic project management, including aspects of project life cycle, requirements analysis, principles of design, project tasks and deliverables, contracts, feasibility analysis, cost estimation and cost/benefit analysis, project scheduling, critical path analysis, risk management, quality assurance, managing project resources, testing and delivery, maintenance, interpersonal communication, teamwork and project leadership. Students will work on a technical group project which will provide opportunities to practice the project management techniques learned in class.

Students who enrol in this course will be asked to sign the University's Student IP Agreement.

The course is primarily offered in-person, but there will also be a remote option and there will be online alternatives for all the components of the course for students who cannot attend in-person.

Students taking this course remotely must have access to a computer with camera and microphone and a reliable high speed internet connection that will support real-time video plus audio connections and screen sharing. Students must be able to use Zoom; other communication applications may also be used. A mobile phone connection only is not considered sufficient. The computer must be adequate to support the programming required by the course: almost any modern windows, macintosh, or unix laptop or desktop computer will be sufficient, but an Android or IOS tablet will not.

The course has substantial group work, and remote students will be expected to participate fully in the group work using a variety of communication tools.

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# Withdrawal from Course

Withdrawal dates and process:

<https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/course-additions-withdrawals>

## Lecturers

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### Kevin Shedlock

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## Teaching Format

This course will be offered in-person and online. For students in Wellington, there will be a combination of in-person components and web/internet based resources. It will also be possible to take the course entirely online for those who cannot attend on campus, with all the components provided in-person also made available online.

During the trimester there will typically be two lectures and one tutorial per week.

## Student feedback

Student feedback on University courses may be found at:

[www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback\\_display.php](http://www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php)

## Dates (trimester, teaching & break dates)

- Teaching: 28 February 2022 - 03 June 2022
- Break: 11 April 2022 - 24 April 2022
- Study period: 06 June 2022 - 09 June 2022
- Exam period: 10 June 2022 - 25 June 2022

## Class Times and Room Numbers

### 28 February 2022 - 13 March 2022

- **Tuesday** 12:00 - 12:50 – LT303, New Kirk, Kelburn

### 28 February 2022 - 10 April 2022

- **Thursday** 12:00 - 12:50 – LT102, Maclaurin, Kelburn
- **Friday** 11:00 - 11:50 – LT104, Hugh Mackenzie, Kelburn

### 14 March 2022 - 10 April 2022

- **Tuesday** 12:00 - 12:50 – LT104, Hugh Mackenzie, Kelburn

**25 April 2022 - 05 June 2022**

- **Tuesday** 12:00 - 12:50 – LT104, Hugh Mackenzie, Kelburn
- **Thursday** 12:00 - 12:50 – LT102, Maclaurin, Kelburn
- **Friday** 11:00 - 11:50 – LT104, Hugh Mackenzie, Kelburn

## Other Classes

There are regularly scheduled laboratories for ENGR 301. Student teams are expected to select mutually agreeable laboratory periods for team work and meetings, and also to arrange regular meetings with project clients.

## Set Texts and Recommended Readings

### Required

There are no required texts for this offering.

### Recommended

- *An Introduction to Project Management, Fifth Edition*  
Kathy Schwalbe  
Library Call Number: HD69 P75 S392 2016 (2 copies available).

## Mandatory Course Requirements

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of at least 50%, students must:

- contribute in good faith to both the management and the technical work of the team project, as evidenced by regular interaction with the project repository and keeping the commitments agreed in the team contract.
- must be registered as a group member for the group project.

*If you believe that exceptional circumstances may prevent you from meeting the mandatory course requirements, contact the Course Coordinator for advice as soon as possible.*

## Assessment

| Assessment Item                                    | Due Date or Test Date          | CLO(s)          | Percentage |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Project Requirements (group assessment)            | 22/04/2022                     | CLO:<br>1,2,3,4 | 15%        |
| Project Architecture and Design (group assessment) | 20/05/2022                     | CLO:<br>1,2,3,4 | 15%        |
| Individual Structured Report                       | 03/06/2022                     | CLO:<br>1,2,3,4 | 20%        |
| Individual Performance Review Assessment           | Weeks 3-12                     | CLO:<br>1,2,3,4 | 40%        |
| Group Presentation (5% group and 5% individual)    | Assessment Period (Week 13-15) | CLO:<br>1,2,3,4 | 10%        |

## Penalties

Late submissions will be subject to a penalty of 10% per day for 4 days. No work will be accepted after this unless previously arranged with the Course Coordinator.

Students working on an assessment item who violate the terms of the Student IP Agreement (eg, by not keeping confidential information confidential) may be subject to a penalty up to and including forfeit of all marks for that assessment item.

## Extensions

Individual extensions will only be granted in exceptional personal circumstances, and requests should be made to the Course Coordinator before the assessment deadline whenever possible. Documentation (e.g. a medical certificate) may be required.

## Submission & Return

Assignments and reports are to be submitted using the ECS online submission system, accessible through the course web pages. Marks and comments will be returned through the ECS marking system, also available through the course web pages.

## Group Work

Individual assessment takes place in the context of group work involving a major project.

## Workload

The total workload for ENGR 301 is 150 hours. In order to maintain satisfactory progress in ENGR 301 you should plan to spend an average of 10 hours per week on this course. A plausible and approximate breakdown for these hours would be:

- Lectures: 3 hours.
- Project work, both technical and management: 7 hours.

## Teaching Plan

See [https://ecs.wgtn.ac.nz/Courses/ENGR301\\_2022T1/LectureSchedule](https://ecs.wgtn.ac.nz/Courses/ENGR301_2022T1/LectureSchedule)

# Communication of Additional Information

The main means of communication outside of lectures will be the ENGR 301 web area at [https://ecs.wgtn.ac.nz/Courses/ENGR301\\_2022T1/](https://ecs.wgtn.ac.nz/Courses/ENGR301_2022T1/). There you will find, among other additional information, the lecture schedule and assignment handouts.

## Links to General Course Information

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism>
- Academic Progress: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress> (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/dates>
- Grades: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades>
- Special passes: Refer to the Assessment Handbook, at <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/documents/policy/staff-policy/assessment-handbook.pdf>
- Statutes and policies, e.g. Student Conduct Statute: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy>
- Student support: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/support>
- Students with disabilities: [https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/st\\_services/disability/](https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/st_services/disability/)
- Student Charter: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter>
- Terms and Conditions: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/study/apply-enroll/terms-conditions/student-contract>
- Turnitin: <http://www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin>
- University structure: <https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/about/governance/structure>
- VUWSA: <http://www.vuwsa.org.nz>

**Offering CRN:** [17178](#)

**Points:** 15

**Prerequisites:** Admission to Part 2 of the BE(Hons), ENGR 201 and 60 200-level pts from (CYBR, COMP, ECEN, NWEN, RESE, SWEN)

**Duration:** 28 February 2022 - 26 June 2022

**Starts:** Trimester 1

**Campus:** Kelburn