

MAE 3406-001 Flight Performance & Static Stability
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Section Information: MAE 3406-001

Time and Place of Class Meetings: NH, Rm.110, MW 8:00-8:50 AM, F 8:00-9:50 AM

Description of Course Structure:

As one of your first courses in the professional portion of your degree plan, the format of MAE 3406 Flight Performance & Static Stability course will be somewhat different than what you have experienced in your first few years of basic university courses. The course is structured to provide the student the necessary fundamentals with an “industrial perspective” of the material and its use in that environment. As such, the professor will be your “customer/client/manager” and you, the student, are the “engineer” providing the requested analysis and presentation of the results. The intent is to prepare the student to quickly perform at a high level in industry upon graduation.

Course Content:

The course content will include: 1) a review of fluid mechanic fundamentals, an introduction to classical aerodynamics, 2) an introduction to aircraft static stability & controls, 3) basic propulsions and 4) an introduction to aircraft performance. Topics covered include basic airfoil and wing theory, viscous flows and aircraft drag, static stability & control, basic propulsion and propeller theory, and air vehicle performance (cruise, climbing, gliding, maneuvering, range, endurance, etc.). Theory formulation, variable definition, analysis procedure and results presentation will follow industry standards. This shall include standard industrial practices developed by national and international agencies including ISO, Six Sigma, government (e.g., FARs, MIL STD) and professional organizations (e.g. AIAA, SAE).

Student Learning Outcomes:

With the successful completion of this course, the student shall have a basic understanding of classic aerodynamics, a basic understanding of the analysis techniques commonly used to predict aircraft performance, fundamental air vehicle static stability and control and the application of these processes as used in industry.

Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials:

Textbooks

“Fundamentals of Aerodynamics” 5th Edition by John D. Anderson, McGraw-Hill Inc., ISBN 978-0-07-339810-5
([This is also the textbook for your Compressible Aerodynamics class.](#)), and

Perkins, C. D., and Hage, R. E., “Airplane Performance, Stability and Control,” John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1949
([This will be provided to the class in a PDF format at no cost.](#))

References:

- Dommasch, D. O., Sherby, S. S., and Connolly, T. F., “Airplane Aerodynamics,” Pitman Publishing Corp., New York, 1961

- Roskam, J. and Lan, C.T.E., “Airplane Aerodynamics and Performance,” DARcorporation, First Edition, 1997
- “Fundamentals of Fluid Mechanics” - 7th Edition by Munson, B.R., Okushi, T.H., Huebsch, W.H., and Rothmayer, A.P., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2013, ISBN 978-1-118-11613-5 (this is your fluid mechanics textbook)
- “Mechanics of Flight – 2nd Edition” by Warren F. Phillips, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 2010, ISBN 978-0-470-53975-0 (an older editions and or foreign editions are acceptable for your use.)**[This is the text recommended by the department. Reference reading assignments will be made for this text.]**
- Abbott, I. H., and von Doenhoff, A. E., “Theory of Wing Sections: Including a Summary of Airfoil Data,” Dover Publishing Co., 1959
- McCormick, Barnes W., “Aerodynamics, Aeronautics, and Flight Mechanics, 2nd ed.,” John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1995.
- Von Mises, R., “Theory of Flight,” Dover Publishing Co., 1959
- Drela, M., “Flight Vehicle Aerodynamics”, MIT Press, 2014.
- Gudmundsson, S., “General Aviation Aircraft Design: Applied Methods and Procedures”, Butterworth-Heinemann, Waltham, MA, 2014
- Hoerner, S. F., “Fluid Dynamic Drag: Practical Information on Aerodynamic Drag and Hydrodynamic Resistance,” Hoerner Fluid Dynamics; 2nd edition (June 1965)
- Hoerner, S. F., “Fluid Dynamic Lift,” Hoerner Fluid Dynamics; 2nd edition (June 1992)

Descriptions of major assignments and examinations:

Exams:

- 3 – 50 minute exams for topical areas #1, #2 & #3 (see above)
- 1 – Final Exam on topic #4

Homework:

- Homework will be assigned throughout the semester.
- Due dates will be provided at the time of the assignment.
- Assigned homework is due at the beginning of class on the due date.
- Homework must follow the homework format which was provided in Blackboard.
- As this is **NOT** a “distance learning course”, all homework will be turned in on “engineering paper” (per the format) in class.
- There will be **NO** make-up assignments. Missed or late assignments will receive a grade of zero.

Attendance: At The University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required but attendance is a critical indicator in student success. Each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students’ academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. However, while UT Arlington does not require instructors to take attendance in their courses, the U.S. Department of Education requires that the University have a mechanism in place to mark when Federal Student Aid recipients “begin attendance in a course.” UT Arlington instructors will report when students begin attendance in a course as part of the final grading process. Specifically, when assigning a student a grade of F, faculty report the last date a student attended their class based on evidence such as a test, participation in a class project or presentation, or an engagement online via Blackboard. This date is reported to the Department of Education for federal financial aid recipients.

Attendance will follow university rules. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class period utilizing a seating chart. Attendance will be considered in the final grade.

Grading:

- Final Grade Weighting:

Homework:	50%
3 – 50 minute exams:	12.5% each
Final Examination	12.5%
- Grade Allocation: Letter grades will be assigned by the following ranges
A (90-100), B (80-89), C (70-79), D (60-69), F (less than 60)

In order to receive a passing grade (“C” for Engineering), the weighted average (see above) of the 3-50 minute exams, homework, and the final examination must be 70 or above.

Grades will be posted on Blackboard for the students to review. Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester and seek guidance from available sources (including the instructor) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels.

Homework & Project Policy:

- Assigned homework and projects are due at the beginning of the class meeting of the due date. The assignment will be graded and returned within two class periods of the due date.
- Due dates and times will be rigorously enforced. **Late assignments will not be accepted.**

Exam Policy:

- A final examination will be given at the conclusion of the course.
- There will be 3 – 50 minute exams distributed throughout the semester.
- There will be **NO** make-up exams or final exam. **Missed exams will receive a grade of zero.**
- The instructor must be notified, by any student, at the beginning of the semester, **within the first week of class**, of any ‘**Special Needs**’ exam testing requirements for that student. The student must be registered and approved for special testing allowances. If so, the student is responsible for obtaining and presenting the necessary forms to the instructor in that first week. Additionally, **the student is responsible for coordinating all “special needs testing” with the test center two weeks before each exam.** Per the university procedures, the testing center will contact the instructor and arrange the necessary private test schedule after the student has coordinated with the test center. **Failure to meet these requirements will negate any “special needs testing”.**

Course Schedule:

Topics covered:

Part #1

- The Standard Atmosphere
- Review of Fundamental Fluid Mechanics
- Viscous Fluid Flows, Boundary Layers and Aircraft Drag
- Basic Aerodynamic Principles with Applications
 - Potential Flow Fundamentals
 - Airfoil Theory
 - Wing Theory

Part #2

- Airplane Static Stability
 - Longitudinal Static Stability
 - Longitudinal Controls
 - Lateral-Directional Static Stability
 - Lateral-Directional Controls

Part #3

- Airplane Propulsion Systems

- Basic Analysis & Performance of Various Propulsion Systems
- Propeller Theory

Part #4

- Fundamentals of Flight Performance
 - Climb and Glide Performance
 - Take-off and Landing
 - Range, Endurance And Payload-Range
 - Maneuvering and Flight Envelope
- Every day “Rules of Thumb”, throughout the semester.

Use of Electronic Devices

Use of **all** electronic devices in class is prohibited. Hand calculators during class exams.

Expectations for Out-of-Class Study:

Beyond the time required to attend each class meeting, students enrolled MAE 3406, a 4-credit hour course, should expect to spend at least an additional 8-12 hours per week of their own time in course-related activities, including reading required materials, completing assignments, preparing for exams, etc. (The general rule of thumb is for every credit hour earned, a student should expect to spend ~2-3 hours per week working outside of class.)

Grade Grievances:

Any appeal of a grade in this course must follow the procedures and deadlines for grade-related grievances as published in the current undergraduate catalog. For undergraduate courses, see

<http://catalog.uta.edu/academicregulations/grades/#undergraduatetext>; for graduate courses, see

<http://catalog.uta.edu/academicregulations/grades/#graduatetext>. For student complaints, see

<http://www.uta.edu/deanofstudents/student-complaints/index.php>

Drop Policy:

Students may drop or swap (adding and dropping a class concurrently) classes through self-service in MyMav from the beginning of the registration period through the late registration period. After the late registration period, students must see their academic advisor to drop a class or withdraw. Undeclared students must see an advisor in the University Advising Center. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance.** Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships (<http://web.uta.edu/ses/fao>).

Disability Accommodations: UT Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including *The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*, *The Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAAA)*, and *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act*. All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide “reasonable accommodations” to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of disability. Students are responsible for providing the instructor with official notification in the form of **a letter certified** by the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD). Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Students experiencing a range of conditions (Physical, Learning, Chronic Health, Mental Health, and Sensory) that may cause diminished academic performance or other barriers to learning may seek services and/or accommodations by contacting:

The Office for Students with Disabilities, (OSD) www.uta.edu/disability or calling 817-272-3364. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability.

Counseling and Psychological Services. (CAPS) www.uta.edu/caps/ or calling 817-272-3671 is also available to all students to help increase their understanding of personal issues, address mental and behavioral health problems and make positive changes in their lives.

Title IX Policy: The University of Texas at Arlington ("University") is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free from discrimination based on sex in accordance with Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII), which prohibits sex discrimination in employment; and the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act). Sexual misconduct is a form of sex discrimination and will not be tolerated. *For information regarding Title IX, visit www.uta.edu/titleIX or contact Ms. Jean Hood, Vice President and Title IX Coordinator at (817) 272-7091 or jmhood@uta.edu.*

Academic Integrity:

Students enrolled all UT Arlington courses are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington's tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.

I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.

UT Arlington faculty members may employ the Honor Code as they see fit in their courses, including (but not limited to) having students acknowledge the honor code as part of an examination or requiring students to incorporate the honor code into any work submitted. Per UT System Regents' Rule 50101, §2.2, suspected violations of university's standards for academic integrity (including the Honor Code) will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violators will be disciplined in accordance with University policy, which may result in the student's suspension or expulsion from the University.

Lab Safety Training:

No lab training is required for this course.

Electronic Communication: UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly. There is no additional charge to students for using this account, which remains active even after graduation. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at <http://www.uta.edu/oit/cs/email/mavmail.php>.

Campus Carry: Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes as prohibited. Under the new law, openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/news/info/campus-carry/>

Student Feedback Survey:

At the end of each term, students enrolled in classes categorized as "lecture," "seminar," or "laboratory" shall be directed to complete an online Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student's feedback enters the SFS database anonymously and is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. UT Arlington's effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student

feedback is required by state law; students are strongly urged to participate. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/sfs>.

Final Review Week: for semester-long courses, a period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week *unless specified in the class syllabus*. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

Student Support Services: [Required for all [undergraduate courses](#)] UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include [tutoring](#), [major-based learning centers](#), developmental education, [advising and mentoring](#), personal counseling, and [federally funded programs](#). For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to resources@uta.edu, or view the information at <http://www.uta.edu/universitycollege/resources/index.php>.

The IDEAS Center (2nd Floor of Central Library) offers free tutoring to all students with a focus on transfer students, sophomores, veterans and others undergoing a transition to UT Arlington. To schedule an appointment with a peer tutor or mentor email IDEAS@uta.edu or call (817) 272-6593.

The English Writing Center (411LIBR): The Writing Center Offers free tutoring in 20-, 40-, or 60-minute face-to-face and online sessions to all UTA students on any phase of their UTA coursework. Our hours are 9 am to 8 pm Mon.-Thurs., 9 am-3 pm Fri. and Noon-6 pm Sat. and Sun. Register and make appointments online at <http://uta.mywconline.com>. Classroom Visits, workshops, and specialized services for graduate students are also available. Please see www.uta.edu/owl for detailed information on all our programs and services.

The Library's 2nd floor Academic Plaza offers students a central hub of support services, including IDEAS Center, University Advising Services, Transfer UTA and various college/school advising hours. Services are available during the library's hours of operation. <http://library.uta.edu/academic-plaza>

Library Home Page library.uta.edu

Resources for Students

Academic Help

Academic Plaza Consultation Services library.uta.edu/academic-plaza

Ask Us ask.uta.edu/

Library Tutorials library.uta.edu/how-to

Subject and Course Research Guides libguides.uta.edu

Subject Librarians library.uta.edu/subject-librarians

Resources

A to Z List of Library Databases libguides.uta.edu/az.php

Course Reserves pulse.uta.edu/vwebv/enterCourseReserve.do

FabLab fablab.uta.edu/

Special Collections library.uta.edu/special-collections

Study Room Reservations openroom.uta.edu/

Teaching & Learning Services for Faculty

Copyright Consultation library-sc@listserv.uta.edu

Course Research Guide Development, Andy Herzog amherzog@uta.edu or your subject librarian

Data Visualization Instruction, Peace Ossom-Williamson peace@uta.edu

Digital Humanities Instruction, Rafia Mirza rafia@uta.edu

Graduate Student Research Skills Instruction, Andy Herzog amherzog@uta.edu or your subject librarian

Project or Problem-Based Instruction, Gretchen Trkay gtrkay@uta.edu

Undergraduate Research Skills Instruction, Gretchen Trkay gtrkay@uta.edu or your subject librarian.

The instructors reserve the right to make changes to the course syllabus as necessary. It is the student's responsibility to keep up with changes to the syllabus as posted on the class website.

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SYLLABUS

By signing this syllabus, the student acknowledges that he/she has read and understood this document.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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