

DESIGN AND COMPUTING

The Design element

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| Richard Martin | - CAD |
| | - Design Principles |
| | - Detail Design & Manufacture |
| Eric Kim | - Design Principles |
| Tom Rendall | - Flight Design Project |
| Brano Titurus | - Flight Design Project |
| Ben Woods | - Flight Design Project |

Aims & Objectives

■ AIM:

The Design element of the Unit is intended to introduce students to the principles and processes used in design with specific reference to aerospace vehicles.

■ OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion the student will be able to:

- appreciate the role of geometry construction in various design cycles
- interpret and present graphical information, in sketch, orthographic and isometric drawing formats
- create 3D solid object models and engineering drawings using CAD
- demonstrate knowledge of basic design principles and manufacturing processes
- apply design tools and understanding from the D&C unit along with basic Aerodynamics, Dynamics & Structures from other units to:
 - design a model flight vehicle;
 - manufacture, test and measure the performance of the flight vehicle;
 - produce documentation to clearly define the design and explain the performance.

Contents

The Design Section of the D&C unit comprises:

- Detail Design & Manufacture
- Computer Aided Design (in the Computing Section* on Blackboard)
- Design Principles
- Flight Design Project

(* The Computing Section also includes Programming – delivered by Daniel Poole)

Detail Design & Manufacture

The “DD&M” element introduces:

- Engineering Drawing Basics
 - Communication
 - Accuracy
 - Control
- Orthographic and Isometric Projection of objects
 - Drawing Construction
- Dimensioning and Tolerances
- Annotation, Symbols and Standards
- Manufacturing Processes
- Assignments

Computer Aided Design

The “CAD” element is included in the Computing Section and is based on:

- Autodesk Inventor
 - Feature based 3D modelling
 - Models derived from simple 2D sketches
 - Sketch and Model editing
 - Easy generation of drawings
 - Parametric modelling
 - Associative drawings
 - Assembly modelling
 - Animation of mechanisms

Design Principles

The “DPr” element provides an initial introduction to the principles of design, manufacture and good design practice in general.

It will include:

- CAD and documentation;
- a Design for Manufacture case study;
- advanced design methodology;
- manufacturing techniques;
- patents
- units of measure;
- A TEST! (but you are allowed a “crib sheet”)

Flight Design Project

The “FDP” project consolidates the work on the D&C unit, bringing together aerodynamic, dynamic and structural analysis from other units within a flight vehicle design context which makes use of the design and computing capabilities gained from the D&C unit.