

## ChE 425 – PROCESS DESIGN I

Type (check one): Required:   X   Elective:       

**2005-2006 Catalog Data:** ChE 425. Process Design I. Application of principles and concepts of prior course work with safety, economic and practical considerations to design equipment to meet a processing need. The emphasis is placed upon a particular unit or subsystem rather than a complete process, which is the subject of ChE 426, Process Design II. Prerequisite: ChE 330. Corequisite: ChE 443. Offered in the Fall semester. *One semester; three credits.*

**Prerequisites:** ChE 330

**Co-Requisites:** ChE 443

**Textbook:** *Analysis, Synthesis, and Design of Chemical Processes*, Richard Turton, Richard C. Bailie, Wallace B. Whiting, Joseph A. Shaeiwitz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Prentice Hall, New Jersey, 2003.

**Other Required Materials:** ASPEN PLUS

**Other References:** *Products & Process Design Principles*, Seider, Seader and Lewin, Wiley & Sons, New York, 2004 .

**Instructor:** Dr. Ali Pourhashemi, Associate Professor

**Course Objectives:** After course completion, students are expected to:

1. analyze and develop a process flow diagram (ABET: c),
2. use various fluid, heat transfer and kinetics models to evaluate system performance (ABET: a, e, l)
3. know the guidelines for tracing chemicals in a chemical process diagram (ABET: c)
4. understand the process conditions and utilize experience-based principles to examine the design of a process (ABET: a, c, e)
5. apply the ASPEN program to unit operations (ABET: c, k, m, n)
6. be able to recommend safe alternatives for various operations and participate in class discussion (ABET: g, j).

**Prerequisites by Topics:** Mass & energy balances, fluid mechanics

**Topics:**

1. Essential flow diagrams, BFD and PFD
2. Technical analysis and structure of chemical flow diagrams
3. Guide lines, tactics and limitation for tracing chemicals in PFD
4. Understanding process conditions and the role of experience in design and analysis of system performance, and engineering economics
5. Synthesis and optimization of chemical processes, key relationships, technical heuristics for analysis of system performance
6. Applications of fluid and heat transfer models to individual unit operations, Reactor performance and regulating process conditions, Process troubleshooting and debottlenecking
7. Application of a process simulator, ASPEN PLUS

**Class Schedule** Three 50-minute sessions per week

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**Professional Component:  
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Category (check one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Math/Basic Science <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> General Education <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Design (check one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant <input type="checkbox"/> Some <input type="checkbox"/> None
Realistic Constraints (check all that apply)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manufacturability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ethical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Social <input type="checkbox"/> Political

**Relationship to Program Outcomes:**

Check all that apply:

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering
- (b) an ability to design and conduct experiments, as well as to analyze and interpret data
- (c) an ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs
- (d) an ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams
- (e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems
- (f) an understanding of professional and ethical responsibility
- (g) an ability to communicate effectively
- (h) the broad education necessary to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global and societal context
- (i) a recognition of the need for and an ability to engage in life-long learning
- (j) a knowledge of contemporary issues
- (k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice
- (l) a solid background in chemistry
- (m) an ability to apply material and energy balances in chemical engineering and related areas
- (n) an ability to use mathematical and graphical computer packages for solving engineering problems.