## **CVX7347 Applied Engineering Geology and Rock Mechanics**

Level	7
Course Code	CVX7347
Course Title	Applied Engineering Geology and Rock Mechanics
Credit value	3
Core/Optional	Optional (Civil Engineering)
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Course Aim/s	To introduce applications in Engineering Geology and both applications and concepts in Rock Mechanics
Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):	At the completion of this course student will be able to:
	CLO1: Evaluate the possible impacts and hazard levels of different Engineering Geological features due to various construction activities; describe possible failure mechanisms of different geological regimes during the construction. [Multi-structural]  CLO2: Identify earthquake prone areas, their distribution and hazard levels based on engineering geological effects; Apply migratory measures during the design and construction of particular structure to reduce the impacts of such earthquakes. [Uni-structural]  CLO3: Describe different index properties of rocks; evaluate general engineering competence of a given in-tact rock sample. [Uni-structural]  CLO4: Explain the behaviour of rocks under different stress and strain conditions; evaluate the deformability characteristics rocks. [Relational]  CLO5: Describe behaviour of different rock masses with different rock mass characteristics; forecast possible hazard levels of a rock mass based on joint conditions. [Relational]  CLO6: Perform simple classroom exercise on Stereographic projections of discontinuities; perform a kinematic stability analysis for a given rock mass. [Multi-structural]  CLO7: Explain different testing techniques adopted in measuring different in-situ rock conditions; develop in-situ rock testing programme for a given construction project. [Relational]  CLO8: Evaluate possible failure mechanisms of a given rock mass under different construction conditions; Analyse and Design safe rock excavation and stabilization criteria for different structures. [Relational]
Content (Main topics, sub topics)	Outline Syllabus:  Unit 1: Applications in Engineering Geology Session 01: Effects of Engineering Geological Conditions on Construction Session 02: Engineering Geological Considerations for Buildings and Aggregates Session 03: Engineering Geological Considerations for Roads, Cut-slopes and Bridges Session 04: Engineering Geological Considerations for Reservoirs, Dams and Tunnels Session 05: Engineering Geological Considerations for Dewatering, Shuttering and Grouting Session 06: Engineering Geological Considerations for Construction in Earthquake Prone Areas Unit 2: Rock Mechanics Session 07: Introduction and Index Properties of Rocks Session 08: Stress and In-situ Stress in Rocks Session 09: Strain and Relevance to Rocks Session 10: Rock Strength and Failure Criteria Session 11: Discontinuities Session 12: Deformability of Rocks Session 13: Permeability

Session 14:Rock Mass and Classification
Session 15:Rock Testing Techniques
Unit 3:Applications in Rock Mechanics
Session 16:Rock Excavation Principals
Session 17:Rock Stabilization Principals
Session 18:Rock Slope Engineering Failure, Analysis and Design
Session 19:Underground Rock Excavation Failure, Analysis and Design
Session 20:Foundations on Rocks

Laboratory Work:

- 1. Perform simple stereographic projects to present joint geometrical conditions, including angle of internal friction; evaluate the stability of given rock mass.
- 2. Perform standard laboratory tests to determine uni-axial compressive strength and point load strength Index of a given rock sample; compute core recovery, rock quality designation and fracture index of a given rock core sample set.

## Field visit:

Carry out a field visit to identify different geological structural features, minerals and their occurrence in Sri Lanka; explain geological background of Sri Lanka and its relationship with Sri Lankan Geomorphology and Mineralization