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<u>1. Course number and name</u>

RB-S1-19-S41-A6, Engineering Geology and Soil Mechanics II

<u>2. Credits and contact hours</u>

3 ECTS, lectures: 15 hours**, laboratory: 15 hours**

3. Instructor's or course coordinator's name

Magdalena Kowalska PhD

4. Text book, title, author, and year

- Atkinson J. (2014) Fundamentals of Ground Engineering, CRC Press, ISBN 9781482206173
- Barnes G. E. (2016) Soil mechanics, Red Globe Press, ISBN: 9781137512208
- Lambe T.W., Whitman R. V. (1991) Soil Mechanics, Wiley, ISBN: 978-0-471-51192-2
- Whitlow R. (2000) Basic soil mechanics, Longman, ISBN 10: 0582381096 a. other supplemental materials
- PN-EN ISO 17892-1:2015-02 Geotechnical investigation and testing Laboratory testing of soil Part 1: Determination of water content
- PN-EN ISO 17892-5:2017-06 Geotechnical investigation and testing Laboratory testing of soil Part 5: Incremental loading oedometer test
- PN-EN 13286-2:2010 Unbound and hydraulically bound mixtures Part 2: Test methods for the determination of the laboratory reference density and water content Proctor compaction

5. Specific course information

a. brief description of the content of the course (catalog description)

Lectures: (1) Soil model and its parameters, (2) Physical and chemical properties of soils,

- (3) Non-typical soils: sensitive and swelling, (4) State of stress and strain in the ground,
- (5) Compressibility and consolidation, (6) Groundwater flow, (7) Shear strength of soil

and Coulomb-Mohr failure envelope.

<u>Laboratory:</u> Geological-Engineering Cross-section, (2) Proctor compaction test, (3)

Oedometer test

b. prerequisites or co-requisites

None

c. indicate whether a required, elective, or selected elective (as per Table 5-1) course in the program

Required.

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6. Specific goals for the course

<u>a. specific outcomes of instruction, ex. The student will be able to explain the significance</u> of current research about a particular topic

The student can:

- describe soil components and use physical parameters of the soil model,
- determine stress distribution in the ground,
- describe stress-strain behavior of typical soils and soil stiffness,
- assess the groundwater flow velocity and check stability of excavation base due to hydraulic heave and soil piping,
- explain the dependency of shear strength of soil on normal stress, loading history and drainage conditions,
- prepare a geological-engineering cross-section based on borehole logs,
- conduct a Proctor test to determine compaction characteristics of soil,
- conduct oedometric test to determine consolidation and compression characteristics of soil.

b. explicitly indicate which of the student outcomes listed in Criterion 3 or any other outcomes are addressed by the course.

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7. Brief list of topics to be covered

- 1. Three phase-soil model (soil skeleton, air, groundwater) and parameters of its description: density, unit weight, water content, void ratio, porosity, saturation degree.
- 2. Physical and chemical properties of soils: soil structure, activity, density, consistency (Atterberg limits), compactness Proctor test (theory and practice).
- 3. Non-typical soils: sensitive and swelling.
- 4. State of stress and strain in the ground: Mohr circle, stress and strain paths, initial and induced stress, effective stress, coefficient of earth pressure at rest, loading history (OCR).
- 5. Compressibility and consolidation: stress-strain behavior of typical soils, stiffness moduli, coefficient of consolidation, oedometric test (theory and practice).
- 6. Groundwater flow: Darcy's law, coefficient of permeability, flow nets, seepage pressure, hydraulic heave and soil piping.
- 7. Shear strength of soil and Coulomb-Mohr failure envelope: effective angle of friction, effective cohesion, undrained shear strength, dilatancy and contraction, peak/critical/residual shear strength.
- 8. Geological-engineering cross-section.
- *- Consultations were not included in the contact hours, **-per semester