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Advanced explosive engineering 785 (PRX 785)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 16.00

Programmes BEngHons Mining Engineering

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time Self study

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Mining Engineering

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

Types of commercial explosives. Properties of explosives. Explosive initiating systems, application of explosives in rock breaking; Surface and underground blast designs and specialised blast designs; the effects of geology on blast results. Fragmentation, blasting and environmental control. Blast assessment. Ethics and regulatory compliance. Safety in blasting.

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