



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

Mechanics 122 (SWK 122)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Module credits	16.00
Programmes	BEng Chemical Engineering BEng Chemical Engineering Engage BEng Civil Engineering BEng Civil Engineering Engage BEng Computer Engineering BEng Computer Engineering Engage BEng Electrical Engineering BEng Electrical Engineering Engage BEng Electronic Engineering BEng Electronic Engineering Engage BEng Industrial Engineering BEng Industrial Engineering Engage BEng Mechanical Engineering BEng Mechanical Engineering Engage BEng Metallurgical Engineering BEng Metallurgical Engineering Engage BEng Mining Engineering BEng Mining Engineering Engage BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology BSc Extended programme - Physical Sciences BSc Meteorology
Service modules	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	WTW 158
Contact time	2 tutorials per week, 4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Equivalent force systems, resultants. Newton's laws, units. Forces acting on particles. Rigid bodies: principle of transmissibility, resultant of parallel forces. Vector moments and scalar moments. Relationship between scalar and vector moments. Couples. Equivalent force systems on rigid bodies. Resultants of forces on rigid bodies. Equilibrium in two and three dimensions. Hooke's law. Trusses and frameworks. Centroids and second moments of area. Beams: distributed forces, shear force, bending moment, method of sections, relationship between load, shear force and bending moment.

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