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## Aeronautical structures 780 (MLT 780)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	16.00
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	21 contact hours per semester
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1 or Semester 2

### Module content

Principles of stressed skin construction. General loads on aircraft. Static analysis of structures. Behaviour of aircraft materials. Basic Theory of elasticity. Energy methods & principles of virtual work. Stress analysis of thin-walled structures with and without thermal effects. Analysis of idealised semi-monocoque structures, boom-skin models of stiffened structures such as fuselage and wings, shear flow of idealised thin-walled sections. Fibre-reinforced composites of laminates subjected to bending and extensional stresses, thin walled composite beams. Column buckling with local instabilities, Johnson-Euler, beam columns. Plate buckling (shear, compression & bending), buckling of curved plates, skin effective width, Inter-rivet buckling, flange stability, lateral stability, crippling, inelastic buckling, buckling interaction.

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