

- Course Number and Title: M E 512. Vibrations
- Catalog Description: Free and forced vibrations for discrete and continuous systems with single or multiple degrees of freedom. Introduction to nonlinear and random vibration and solution techniques for such systems.
- Credit Hours: 3 Credits (3)
- Prerequisite(s) / Corequisite(s): Prerequisite(s): (M E 332 and M E 511) or Consent of Instructor  
Corequisite(s): None
- Required: Graduate Core
- Course Availability: Spring Semester
- Instructor (Usual): Dr. Abdessattar Abdelkefi (See <https://mae.nmsu.edu/people/faculty.html>)
- Textbook:
  - 1) W. T. Thomson and M. D. Dahleh, Theory of Vibration with Applications, 5th ed., Prentice Hall
  - 2) S. S. Rao, Mechanical Vibrations, 4th ed., Prentice Hall
  - 3) L. Meirovitch, Elements of Vibration Analysis, 2nd ed., McGraw-Hill
  - 4) A. H. Nayfeh, Problems in Perturbations, John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- Course Learning Objectives: After completing this course, a student should be able to:
  - 1) Derive equations of motion of single- and multi-degree-of-freedom (DOF) systems
  - 2) Analyze free and forced vibrations of single- and multi-DOF systems
  - 3) Perform modal analysis of single- and multi-DOF systems
  - 4) Derive equations of motion of continuous systems including beams, strings, and rods
  - 5) Solve the governing equations of motion for several dynamical systems.
- Topics Covered:
  - Derivation of equations of motion
  - Free vibrations of SDOF systems
  - Forced vibrations of SDOF systems
    - Harmonic / base excitations
    - Rotating unbalance
    - Arbitrary excitation
  - Undamped free vibrations of 2-DOF systems
    - Natural frequencies / mode shapes
    - Beat phenomenon / normal modes
    - Orthogonality of modes
  - Forced vibrations of 2-DOF systems
    - Vibration absorber
  - Normal mode vibrations of MDOF
    - Orthogonality of modes

- Superposition method
- Continuous systems
  - Principle of virtual work
  - Hamilton's principle
  - Vibrations of beams
  - Vibrations of strings
  - Vibrations of rods
- Solution techniques
  - Closed-form solutions
  - Perturbation techniques