



Design of Activated Sludge Systems

Module 1.0 Introduction

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Course Schedule

Time	Agenda Item
08:30 – 09:50	Summary/repetition of main subjects from yesterday Discussion of results homework assignment
09:50 – 10:00	Break
10:00 – 11:20	Part 1 of todays program
11:20 – 11:30	Break
11:30 – 12:30	Part 2 of todays program
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:50	Part 3 of todays program
14:50 – 15:00	Break
15:00 – 16:20	Part 4 of todays program
16:20 – 16:30	Break
16:30 – 17:30	Part 5 of todays program Homework assignment

- Module 1.0 Introduction
- Module 1.1 Organic Material and Bacterial Metabolism
 - > Measurement of organic material in wastewater
 - > Bacterial metabolism
- Module 1.2 Influent Composition and Biomass Fractions
 - > Influent characterization
 - > Biomass fractions
 - > Model notation
 - > Mass balance of organic material

- **Module 1.3 Steady State Activated Sludge Model**
 - > Sludge age and hydraulic retention time
 - > Steady state model for COD removal
 - > Model summary
 - > Sludge mass and composition
 - > Nutrient demand
 - > Biological reactor volume
 - > Influence of temperature
 - > Comparison F/M ratio and sludge age
 - > Control of the sludge age

- **Module 1.4 Nitrogen Removal**
 - > Fundamentals of nitrogen removal
 - > Nitrification kinetics
 - > Nitrification potential and capacity
 - > Denitrification kinetics
 - > System configuration
 - > Denitrification capacity
 - > Calculation of nitrogen removal capacity
 - > Optimized design procedure

- **Module 1.5 Final Settling**
 - > Sludge settleability parameters
 - > Solids Flux Theory
 - > Determination of maximum allowable hydraulic loading rate
 - > Optimized settler design using the solids flux theory
 - > Optimizing reactor- and final settler volume or -costs
 - > Empirical methods for settler design
 - > Settlers under dynamic loading conditions (static point)

- **Module 1.6 Sludge Treatment**
 - > Sludge quantity and composition
 - > Sludge thickening
 - > Anaerobic sludge digestion
 - Stoichiometrics
 - Digester configurations
 - Influence of operational parameters
 - Performance of the high rate anaerobic digester
 - Methane generation
 - Optimized design of thickener – digester system
 - > Sludge dewatering and drying (optional)

- **Optional Module 1.11 Aeration**
 - > Aeration equipment
 - > Aeration theory
 - > Sizing of aeration equipment
 - Surface aeration
 - Diffused aeration
 - > Determination of aeration efficiency
 - Oxygen transfer coefficient
 - Determination of aeration efficiency

- **Module 1.12 Integrated Design**
 - > Basis of design
 - Wastewater characteristics / Costing data
 - Performance objectives
 - > Treatment configurations
 - Basic system layouts
 - Reactor types
 - > Design guidelines
 - > Optimized design approach – integration examples:
 - Conventional secondary treatment
 - Nitrogen removal
 - > Integration Exercise

- Optional Module 1.15 Sludge Separation Problems
 - > Microbiology of sludge bulking
 - > Types of filamentous sludge bulking
 - > Generic measures against sludge bulking
 - > Causes and control of foaming/scum formation



Course Format

Format:

- Presentation of theory
- Many examples
- Multiple choice test per module
- Homework exercises
- A final take-home assignment

You will get:

- Copy of the handbook + printed handouts
- A diploma
- Three design spreadsheets to use as a starting point for your own designs
- Worked out exercises in spreadsheet format