

# Selected Topics on Advanced Composites in Engineering

**Structures** 

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Civil & Environmental Engineering		Obl.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	2
Session	
Exam	Multiple
Workload	60h
Hours	28
Courses	18
Exercises	10
Number of positions	

### Frequency

Every 2 years

#### Remark

Every two years/ Next time: Spring 2018. Minimum 5 inscrits

# **Summary**

The course focuses on the current investigations in the fields of fatigue and fracture of composite materials and composite structural components, like adhesively-bonded joints. Students would be able to develop design concepts for composite structures under realistic loading conditions

#### Content

Introduction to composite materials and the specific design concepts of structures with this type of material. Description of the characteristics of composite materials and their singularities. Selected topics to be addressed are:

- Failure modes and failure criteria for composite materials,
- Fatigue of composite materials and structures,
- Multiaxial static/fatigue behaviour,
- Fracture of composite materials,
- Joining techniques,
- Issues raised by the students, related to their PhD projects

#### Note

Students should deliver a project report

#### **Keywords**

Composite materials, fatigue, fracture, joining techniques.

## **Learning Prerequisites**

#### Required courses

Basic knowledge about composite materials and theory of elasticity.

# Resources

# Websites

• http://www.cclab.ch

