BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING
(BMD_ENG)

BMD_ENG 301-0 Quantitative Systems Physiology (1 Unit)
Functional/structural aspects of mammalian nervous system. Neural
biophysics. Laboratory exercises.
Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-2; junior standing recommended.

BMD_ENG 302-0 Quantitative Systems Physiology (1 Unit)
Rigorous overview of cardiovascular and respiratory anatomy, physiology,
and pathophysiology. Case studies and a design team project.
Prerequisite: Students must have taken MATH 228-1 or be a BME
graduate student in order to register for this course; junior standing
recommended.

BMD_ENG 303-0 Quantitative Systems Physiology (1 Unit)
Cellular mechanisms of and quantitative systems’ approach to human
renal, digestive, endocrine, and metabolic physiology.
Prerequisite: junior standing recommended.

BMD_ENG 311-0 Computational Genomics (1 Unit)
The course introduces state-of-the-art genomic sequencing technologies
and computational modeling of high-throughput sequencing datasets.
Through the course, students will learn how to apply these experimental
and computational genomics technologies to study gene expression
regulation underlying various biological processes, such as oncogenesis.
Students will also apply computational and statistical skills, using linux
and R/Matlab/Python.

BMD_ENG 317-0 Biochemical Sensors (1 Unit)
Theory, design, and applications of chemical sensors used in medical
diagnosis and patient monitoring. Electrochemical and optical sensors.
Prerequisites: BIOL_SCI 215-0; BIOL_SCI 219-0; CHEM 210-1;
PHYSICS 135-2; PHYSICS 135-3.

BMD_ENG 323-0 Visual Engineering Science (1 Unit)
Mammalian visual system. Physiological optics. Visual image
Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-2.

BMD_ENG 325-0 Introduction to Medical Imaging (1 Unit)
Diagnostic X-rays; X-ray film and radiographic image; computed
tomography; ultrasound.
Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-3 or equivalent.

BMD_ENG 327-0 Magnetic Resonance Imaging (1 Unit)
Nuclear magnetic resonance; two-dimensional Fourier transform,
spinecho and gradientecho imaging; gradient and RF hardware.
Prerequisite: PHYSICS 135-3.

BMD_ENG 333-0 Modern Optical Microscopy & Imaging (1 Unit)
Rigorous introduction to principles, current trends, emerging
technologies, and biomedical applications of modern optical microscopy.
Prerequisites: PHYSICS 135-2; MATH 220-1; MATH 220-2;
GEN_ENG 205-4.

BMD_ENG 343-0 Biomaterials and Medical Devices (1 Unit)
Structure-property relationships for biomaterials. Metal, ceramic, and
polymeric implant materials and their implant applications. Interactions
of materials with the body. Taught with MAT_SCI 370-0; may not receive
credit for both courses.
Prerequisites: BIOL_SCI 215-0; BIOL_SCI 219-0; MAT_SCI 201-0 or
MAT_SCI 301-0; senior standing.

BMD_ENG 344-0 Biological Performance of Materials (1 Unit)
Structure-property relationships of materials, physical chemistry of
surfaces and interfaces, materials-tissue interactions, applications to the
selection and design of materials for medical implants and devices.
Prerequisites: BIOL_SCI 215-0; BIOL_SCI 219-0; MAT_SCI 201-0.

BMD_ENG 346-0 Tissue Engineering (1 Unit)
In vivo molecular, cellular, and organ engineering, with emphasis on the
foundations, techniques, experiments, and clinical applications of tissue
engineering.
Prerequisites: BIOL_SCI 215-0; BIOL_SCI 219-0.

BMD_ENG 347-0 Foundations of Regenerative Engineering (1 Unit)
Embryonic development, stem cell engineering, somatic regeneration,
genome and transcriptome modifications, cell and tissue-level
regenerative engineering.
Prerequisite: BIOL_SCI 215-0 or BIOL_SCI 219-0.

BMD_ENG 348-0 Applications of Regenerative Engineering (1 Unit)
Mechanisms of human disease, development and application of
molecular, cellular, and tissue-level regenerative engineering strategies to
selected human disorders, including neurodegenerative disorders, stroke,
cystic fibrosis, cirrhosis, diabetes, muscular degenerative disorders, and
skin injury.
Prerequisite: BIOL_SCI 215-0 or BIOL_SCI 219-0.

BMD_ENG 353-0 Bioelectronics (1 Unit)
Development and design of sensors, stimulators, and their medical
devices for biointegrated electronics. Materials design and fabrication
of passive and active components for sensitive, multimodal, and robust
wearable and implantable devices.

BMD_ENG 354-0 Bioelectronics Lab (1 Unit)
Laboratories focused on the practical implementation, instrumentation,
and fabrication of wearables and skinsensing. Applications range from
vital sign monitoring to rehabilitation.

BMD_ENG 365-0 Control of Human Limbs and Their Artificial
Replacements (1 Unit)
Human movement, biomechanics, skeletal and muscular anatomy,
comparative anatomy, muscle physiology, and locomotion. Engineering
design of artificial limbs.
Prerequisite: senior standing with engineering or physical science
background.

BMD_ENG 366-0 Biomechanics of Movement (1 Unit)
Engineering mechanics applied to analyze human movement, including
models of muscle and tendon, kinematics of joints, and dynamics
of multi-joint movement. Applications in sports, rehabilitation, and
orthopedics.
Prerequisite: BMD_ENG 271-0.

BMD_ENG 371-0 Mechanics of Biological Tissue (1 Unit)
Stress and strain for small and large deformations. Nonlinear elastic,
viscoelastic, pseudo-elastic, and biphasic models.
Prerequisites: BMD_ENG 271-0; GEN_ENG 205-3; GEN_ENG 205-4.

BMD_ENG 377-0 Intermediate Fluid Mechanics (1 Unit)
Fundamental concepts of fluid dynamics. Kinematics, mass and
momentum balances, constitutive relations. Navier-Stokes equations and
methods of solution. Sealing techniques.
Prerequisite: BMD_ENG 270-0 or consent of instructor.

BMD_ENG 380-0 Medical Devices, Disease & Global Health (1 Unit)
Health systems and technologies to address health problems of the
world’s underserved populations, with special emphasis on developing
countries.

BMD_ENG 388-SA Health Systems Engineering (1 Unit)
Introduction to health systems in the context of disease burden with special emphasis in developing countries. We examine healthcare systems, financing, data and analytics. The course focuses primarily on health-related issues confronting South Africa and the associated social and economic impact. 

Prerequisite: consent of instructor.

**BMD_ENG 389-SA Health Technology Management (1 Unit)**
This course provides an introduction to formal concepts and methodologies used in support of health technology planning, assessment and adoption - and related decision making - as part of cost-effective healthcare delivery. Open to participants in the Global Health Technologies Program only.

**BMD_ENG 390-3 Biomedical Engineering Design (1 Unit)**
Continuation of a design project; independent study. May not be repeated for credit.
Prerequisites: BMD_ENG 390-1 or BMD_ENG 390-2; consent of instructor.

**BMD_ENG 391-SA HealthCare Technology Innovation and Design (1 Unit)**
Principles and practice of medical device design for the developing world. Evaluation of user needs in the environment of under-resourced segments of South African health care system. Validation and verification of engineering design solutions. Open to participants in the Global Health Technologies Program only.

**BMD_ENG 396-0 Special Topics (0.5 Unit)**
Special Topics in Biomedical Engineering. Laboratory emphasis.

**BMD_ENG 398-0 Special Topics in Biomedical Engineering (0.34 Unit)**
Special Topics in Biomedical Engineering. Laboratory emphasis.

**BMD_ENG 401-0 Advanced Systems Physiology (1 Unit)**
Physiology of the central and peripheral nervous systems. Biophysics of the nerve cell from an engineering perspective. General overview and in-depth study of original work.

**BMD_ENG 402-0 Advanced Systems Physiology (1 Unit)**
Physiology of the heart, circulatory system, lungs, and respiration from an engineering perspective. General overview and in-depth study of original work.

**BMD_ENG 403-0 Advanced Systems Physiology (1 Unit)**
Physiology of the renal, digestive, and endocrine systems. Membrane transport, epithelia, and second messenger systems from an engineering perspective. General overview and in-depth study of original work.

**BMD_ENG 404-1 Special Topics in Systems Physiology (0 Unit)**
Course will train biomedical engineering PhD students in critical analysis of scientific papers, specifically in systems physiology. Instruction in the presentation of scientific data in a manner appropriate for delivery at professional scientific meetings. BMD_ENG 404-1 will cover neural systems physiology, BMD_ENG 404-2 will cover cardiovascular and respiratory physiology, and BMD_ENG 404-3 will cover endocrine, gastrointestinal, hepatic and renal physiology.

**BMD_ENG 407-0 Experimental Design and Measurement (1 Unit)**
Introducory quantitative skills required to conduct experimental research and analyze resulting data. Principles of measurement, modeling of experimental data, and statistical design of experiments.

**BMD_ENG 425-0 fMRI (Functional Imaging) (1 Unit)**
Cutting-edge functional imaging techniques and their applications in research and clinical practice. MRI is the predominantly discussed modality, but also includes other modalities.

**BMD_ENG 426-0 MRI Modeling of Brain Physiology (1 Unit)**
The use and design of MR pulse sequences; emphasis on image contrast mechanisms and some of the more widely used MR acquisition strategies.

Prerequisite: BMD_ENG 327-0.

**BMD_ENG 427-0 Advanced MR Imaging (1 Unit)**
The use and design of MR pulse sequences; emphasis on image contrast mechanisms and some of the more widely used MR acquisition strategies.

**BMD_ENG 429-0 Advanced Physical and Applied Optics (1 Unit)**
Theory and applications of the state-of-the-art physical optics. Topics include wave optics, Gaussian optics, Fourier optics, light propagation in continuous and turbid media, light scattering, statistical optics, and fiber optics.

**BMD_ENG 444-0 Organic Nanomaterials (1 Unit)**
The materials science and chemistry of soft nanomaterials for myriad applications including nanomedicine. Preparative and synthetic approaches to organized, assembled, discrete nanomaterials will be described. Course will include an in-depth discussion of advanced characterization techniques and strategies for this class of material.

**BMD_ENG 445-0 Biomaterials in Synthetic Biol (1 Unit)**
A course that focuses on the emerging principles in synthetic biology that have the capability to expand the functionality of biomaterials: what properties of biomaterials ‘matter’, emerging techniques to control the biological-material interface, and ways of inscribing the vital functions found in biological systems into synthetic materials.

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**BMD_ENG 448-0 Cardiovascular Biology and Engineering (1 Unit)**
Molecular basis of cardiovascular development, performance, and pathogenesis; engineering analysis of cardiovascular functions; and fundamentals of cardiovascular engineering and regeneration.

**BMD_ENG 452-0 Transport Through Connective Tissue (1 Unit)**
Use of porous media theory to examine principles governing fluid flow and mass transfer in extracellular matrices and the application of these principles to tissue engineering.

**BMD_ENG 462-0 Sensory Acquisition (1 Unit)**
The class involves a neuroethological approach to the nervous system, comparing how information is encoded and processed across sensory modalities, and examining the relation between sensing and movement.

**BMD_ENG 463-0 Advanced Signal Processing Methods in Neuropathophysiology (1 Unit)**
A quantitative approach to the study and treatment of neurological diseases, including stroke, SCI and visual deficits. Incorporates neuropathophysiology, computer modeling and systems analysis.

**BMD_ENG 465-0 Biomechanical Modeling & Simulation of Human Movement (1 Unit)**
This course is designed to familiarize the student with the development and use of biomechanical models to simulate motion.

**BMD_ENG 467-0 Biomedical Robotics (1 Unit)**
A perspective on robotics technologies applied to, and inspired by, themes of biomedical research and practice.

**BMD_ENG 468-0 Computational Neuromechanics and Neuroethology (1 Unit)**
Understanding the embodied nervous system through analysis of evolution, behavior, sensory ecology, and the computational principles/algorithms that the nervous system needs to solve for execution of natural behaviors.

**BMD_ENG 469-0 Neural Control and Mechanics of Movement (1 Unit)**
Muscle mechanics and relevant spinal cord neurophysiology as the basis for understanding neural control of movement.

**BMD_ENG 478-0 Transport Fundamentals (1 Unit)**
Fundamental and biomedical applications of diffusive and convective heat and mass transfer with problems appropriate for graduate students.

**BMD_ENG 495-0 Special Advanced Topics in Biomedical Engineering (1 Unit)**
Current topics of interest for graduate students. May be repeated for credit with change of topic.

**BMD_ENG 499-0 Projects (1-3 Units)**
Permission of instructor and department required. May be repeated for credit.

**BMD_ENG 512-0 Graduate Research Seminar in Biomedical Engineering (0 Unit)**
A series of seminars covering current research interests in biomedical engineering. Attendance by first-year Biomedical Engineering graduate students required.

**BMD_ENG 590-0 Research (1-4 Units)**
Independent investigation of selected problems pertaining to thesis or dissertation. May be repeated for credit.