

**COE 3001-B – Mechanics of Deformable Bodies
Summer 2026**

T/Th 12:30-2:40 pm (Clough UG Learning Commons, Room 102)

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T/Th 2:00-3:00 (immediately after class) or by appointment
Office Hours: T/Th 2:40-3:40 (Immediately after class, location TBD)
- TA:** TBD
- Textbooks:** No textbook required. In-class / all material will come from asynchronous lectures. *Mechanics of Materials*, JM Gere, Brooks/Cole, 9th Ed. is recommended as a reference text.
- Grading:** 80% Quizzes & Exams (quizzes, mid-term exam, the final exam worth)
20% Homework
- A = 90+
B = 80-89
C = 70-79
D = 60-69
- Exams:** Exams will be administered on-line using Honor Lock and will be closed book and closed notes. Flexibility will be provided for your start time for the exam, but once you start, you will have a defined number of minutes to complete each quiz and exam.
- No makeup exams** (except for documented medical or family emergencies).
- Homework:** Assigned homework problems are due by the deadline specified on Canvas. **Late homework will not be accepted.**
- Student-Faculty Expectations Agreement:** Please review the expectations for students and faculty at: <https://catalog.gatech.edu/rules/21/>

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Keys to Success:

There are several keys to success in this class.

- First and foremost, be excited to learn and be passionate about understanding the underlying concepts of tissue mechanics.
- Seek understanding, rather than just get the correct answer.
- Conduct course activities in a timely manner; complete outside-of-class activities (well) before the due date and take notes during the lecture, engage in the class examples and activities
- Review materials and problem sets (well) prior to quizzes, term tests, and exams. Go over the solutions carefully and understand the concepts behind the solutions, not just the steps and math to solve the problem.
- Ask questions! It is critical that you dialogue with your PSS group and the instructor and TA.

(Rough) Course Outline

1. **Stress, Strain, and Constitutive Behavior**

- Introduction
- Concept of Stress
- Stress Transformations
- Principal Stresses and Maximum Shear
- Concept of Strain
- Constitutive Behavior
- Equilibrium

2. **Pressure Vessels**

- Spherical Pressure Vessels
- Cylindrical Pressure Vessels

3. **Axially Loaded Members**

- Deformations Due to Extension
- Statically Indeterminate Structures
- Thermal Effects, Misfits, and Prestrains
- Stresses on Inclined Sections
- Strain-energy
- Stress Concentrations, Saint-Venant's Principle

4. **Torsion**

- Torsion of Circular Bars
- Pure Shear
- Statically Indeterminant Problems
- Strain-energy in Torsion and Pure Shear
- Torsion of Tubes

5. **Beams**

- Shear Forces and Bending Moments
- Stresses in Beams
- Shear stresses in Beams
- Composite Beams

6. **Deflection of Beams**

- Introduction and Differential Equations
- Methods for Finding Deflections

7. **Statically-Indeterminate Beams**

- Types of Statically Indeterminate Beams
- Analysis by the Differential Equations of the Deflection Curve

8. **Columns**

- Introduction, Buckling, and Stability
- Columns with Pinned Ends
- Columns with Other Support Conditions
- Columns with Eccentric Axial Loads

9. **Special Topics**