

## EESB05 Principles of Soil Science Fall 2017

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## Course meetings:

Lectures: Friday 10am-12pm, Room SW309

## Course content and schedule:

Week	Lecture	Lecture topic	Readings	During this week
1	Sept. 8	Course introduction	Chapter 1	
2	Sept. 15	Origin of soils &		'

**Notes on exams:** Both the midterm and final exam will draw from lecture and practical materials and includes lecture notes, and any material presented in the classroom that may or may not be posted on Blackboard. Information from the textbook and other resources not directly covered in class or in the practicals will not be tested on exams.

**Midterm test:** A mid-term test will be held in class on Friday October 20th. The test will consist of multiple-choice, short answer questions, and some calculations. It will be worth 30% of your final grade. **Make-ups will not be given for the mid-term test.** If you miss the test for a verifiable reason (as indicated by a doctor's note), the weight of the midterm will be added to the weight of your final exam, with the permission of the instructor.

**Final exam:** A comprehensive final exam covering the entire course material will be given during UTSC examination period worth 40% of your final grade.

## Course policies

As a courtesy, I will be posting class notes on the course Blackboard site. Please note that I am under no obligation to do so, and that such notes are intended to assist you in, and not replace, your personal notes.

Class conduct: This is a large class. I remind you that cell phones and other communication devices must be turned off or in silent mode. A 10-minute break after 50 minutes of lecture will be provided each lecture period. Taking photos, audio and/or video recordings are not allowed unless permission from the instructor is granted.

Accessibility statement: Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. In particular, if you have a disability/health consideration that may require accommodation, please feel free to approach me and/or Accessibility Services Office as soon as possible. I will work with you and Accessibility Services to ensure you can achieve your learning goals in this course. Enquires are confidential. The UTSC Accessibility Services staff (located in S302) are available by appointment to assess specific needs, provide referrals and arrange appropriate accommodations [416-287-7560 or ability@utsc.utoronto.ca]

**The Writing Centre:** The Writing Centre is a free service that provides support for teaching and learning through writing for all UTSC students. The Writing Centre provides service such as one-on-one consultation, drop-in hours, English language development and writing clinics. They are located in AC 210, in the Academic Resource Centre.

**Health and Wellness Clinic:** The Health & Wellness Centre has trained health professionals to provide medical, nursing, counseling, health promotion, and education services to University of Toronto Scarborough students. Any student with a current student card and a valid health card can use our services. They are located in the Student Centre, UTSC, SL 270.