Course Title: Wind Cranes and Rigging  
Submitted By: Dan Janisch  
Approval Date: Nov 2009  
Number of Credits: 3  
Number of Lecture Credits: 2  
Semester(s) Offered: Spring  
Class Size: 24  
Negotiated by AASC on: (date)

Course Purpose Code:
- 0 – Developmental Courses
- 1 – Non-transferable, General Education
- X 2 – Technical course related to career programs
- 3 – College course which has the primary goal of applying certain concepts (e.g. vocal ensemble)
- 4 – Other college course not considered a part of general education (MNTC) (e.g. computer science, health, physical education)
- 5 – Course which is intended to fulfill the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MNTC) requirements or intended for transfer.
- 9 – Continuing Education/Customized Training specialized credit course (not occurring in 0-5)

Catalog Description:
This course will familiarize students with the cranes and rigging associated with wind turbine installation and maintenance. Topics will include movement and setup of large and small cranes, planning crane use, crane safety, rigging components, and rigging inspection.

Prerequisites and/or recommended entry skills/knowledge:
Course Prerequisite(s): None
Reading Prerequisite: 
Composition Prerequisite: 
Mathematics Prerequisite:

Career Programs and Transfer Majors Accessing this Course:
Wind Energy Technology

Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal(s) partially met by this course if applicable:
(Notes: No more than two goals may be met by any one course. Curriculum Committee review and the Chief Academic Officer’s approval are required.)
0. X None  
1. Communications  
2. Critical Thinking  
3. Natural Sciences  
4. Mathematical/Logical Reasoning  
5. History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences  
6. The Humanities and Fine Arts  
7. Human Diversity  
8. Global Perspectives  
9. Ethical and Civic Responsibility  
10. People and the Environment
Learning Outcomes: (including any relevant competencies listed in the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum)

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate a dedication to the educational process through active participation.
- Identify the main components of various types of cranes.
- Compile a pick plan for most wind turbine components utilizing a variety of cranes.
- Differentiate between various types of cranes.
- Demonstrate knowledge of how to move a large mobile crane on a wind site.
- Identify the proper rigging components for lifting wind turbine components.

Student Assessment Methods:

Written assignments and tests.

Use of Instructional Technology: (includes software, interactive video and other instructional technologies):

PowerPoint, Web based research, Online delivery

Outline or Statement of Major Course Content:

- Examine cranes used in the wind business.
  - Rough terrain
  - Hydraulic all terrain
  - Large and small crawler cranes
- Examine crane rigging associated with wind power.
  - Slings
  - Chokers
  - Spreader beams
  - Steel spreaders
  - Center of gravity knowledge
  - Tailing rigging
- Explore the requirements of safely moving a crane on a wind site.

Additional Special Information: (special fees, directives on hazardous materials, etc.)

None

Transfer Information: (Please list colleges/majors that accept this course in transfer.)

None

Approvals:

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