

**Master of Technology**  
**in**  
**MECHANICAL DESIGN**



**DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

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## **ABOUT MECHANICAL DESIGN PROGRAM**

Master's program in Mechanical Design was started in the academic year 2013-14 as Design and Precision Engineering and it was revised later in 2019-20. This program emphasizes teaching fundamental principles for designing simple to complex components and structures for various applications. This program develops the students' design skills based on theory, experimentation and numerical modelling in designing new products or assessing the performance of existing equipment. The program facilitates "Design to Prototype Modelling" in mechanical solid products and facilities. The engineering courses integrate advanced engineering techniques with hands-on learning in various laboratories to provide essential skills desired by the industries and R&D organizations. Students are encouraged to follow their projects and internship in industries and R&D organizations for their early exposure to various mechanical design practices in Industries and research laboratories.

The Mechanical Design program is a Full-Time Two Years Program. Usually, the Program starts each academic year in July. Admission to the program open to Indian nationals who have passed the prescribed qualifying examination with minimum eligibility. Students are type: GATE qualified, Industry or other organization sponsored, Self-financed and Internal Registrants. During the course work, students will develop advanced technical skills in Mechanical Design that will enable them to pursue a career in both general and specialized design engineering industries. Theory courses are taught in the first year, and MTech Dissertation Work or Major Project will be in the second year.

### **Vision:**

- Create globally competent mechanical design engineers capable of working in an interdisciplinary environment, contributing to society through innovation, entrepreneurship and leadership.

### **Mission:**

- Produce Mechanical Design Engineers with a strong theoretical and practical knowledge. to contribute to society with high moral and ethical values.
- Nurture students with a global outlook for a sustainable future and sound health.
- Enable to be productive members of interdisciplinary teams, capable of adapting to changing environments of engineering, technology and society.
- Inculcate critical and deep-thinking abilities among students and develop entrepreneurial skills, innovative ideas and leadership qualities.
- Create facilities for continued education, training, research and consultancy.

## **Programme Educational Objectives:**

- PEO-1 Prepare graduates to have knowledge in mathematics, science and engineering to develop problem solving skills necessary for the career advancement in mechanical and allied disciplines
- PEO-2 Organize graduates to have strong practical and theoretical knowledge in Mechanical Engineering, contributing through interdisciplinary research, innovation, entrepreneurial skills, and leadership to design and develop products
- PEO-3 Inculcate teamwork, communication, interpersonal skills and ethical approach adapting to changing environments of engineering, technology and society
- PEO-4 Impart critical thinking skills with deep concentration to develop initiatives and innovative ideas for R&D, Industry and societal requirements

## **Programme Specific Outcomes:**

- PSO-1 Understand and apply the concepts of science and engineering principles to provide solutions to problems associated with mechanical engineering
- PSO-2 Use experimental methods and computational tools to develop products, workable solutions and processes

## **Mechanical Design Laboratories**

- Mechanical Dynamics Lab
- Stress Analysis Lab
- Materials Characterization Lab
- Aerospace Research Lab
- Robotics and Kinematics Lab
- Applied Solid Mechanics Lab
- Polymer Composites Lab
- CNC Machine Tools Lab
- Virtual Instrumentation Lab
- Vibration and Condition Monitoring Lab
- Vehicle Dynamics Lab
- CAD/CAM Lab

## **Current Research Areas**

- Advanced Materials and Light weight Alloys
- Bio-Composites, Biomechanics
- Dynamic Analysis of Polymer Composite/Smart Structures
- Engineering Design
- Fracture Mechanics and Fatigue
- Fuel Cells & Batteries Design
- Implants and Soft Tissue Engineering
- CAD/CAM
- Computational Mechanics
- Vibration Condition Monitoring
- Vibro-Acoustics
- Vehicle Dynamics
- Rotor Dynamics
- Kinematics and Mechanism

## Course of Study

The current course plan details are available on the institute website. The latest curriculum is available for M.Tech (Mechanical Design) is

### Programme Core (Pc) Mandatory

Semester	Code: Title	(L-T-P) Credit
<b>FIRST</b>	ME710 Mathematical Methods for Engineers	(3-0-0)3
	ME711 Applied Elasticity	(3-0-0)3
	ME712 Engineering Fracture Mechanics	(3-0-0)3
	ME713 Mechanical Systems Lab	(0-0-3)2
<b>SECOND</b>	ME714 Advanced Mechanism Design	(3-0-0)3
	ME715 Applications of FEM in Design	(3-0-0)3
	ME716 Theory of Vibration	(3-0-0)3
	ME717 Dynamics and Stress Analysis Lab	(0-0-3)2
	ME884 Seminar	2
<b>THIRD</b>	ME885 Practical Training/ME897 Minor Project	2
	ME886 Major Project	4
<b>FOURTH</b>	ME887 Major Project	8
<b>Program Electives:</b>		
	ME816 Lubrication and Bearing Design	
	ME817 Experimental Stress Analysis	
	ME818 Advanced Materials for Design	
	ME819 Mechanics of Polymer Composites	
	ME820 Dynamic Analysis of Rotating Systems	
	ME821 Engineering Acoustics	
	ME822 Design of Plates and Shells	
	ME823 Design for Fatigue	
	ME824 Design of Aircraft Structures	
	ME825 Machine Diagnostics	
	ME826 Mechanics of Viscoelastic Materials	
	ME831 Smart Structures and Materials	
	ME862 Virtual Instrumentation	
	ME864 Computational Fluid Dynamics	
	ME865 Robotics: Mechanics and Control	
	ME866 Optimization Techniques	
	ME867 Product Design and Development	
	ME869 Theory and Practice of sensors and actuators	
	ME870 Biomechanics and Materials	
	ME871 Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing	
	ME872 Machine Tool Design	

## FACULTY MEMBERS

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Detailed CV: <https://mech.nitk.ac.in/professor/khyati-verma>**Faculties Acievement:****Ongoing Projects:**

- Development of Cost Effective Magneto-Rheological (MR) Fluid Damper in Two wheelers and Four Wheelers Automobile to Improve Ride Comfort and Stability, MHRD, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, IMPRINT-2017, 355 Lakhs.
- Virtual Lab Phase III, NMEICT (2018), 100 Lakhs.
- Design and fabrication of helicopter tail rotor shaft system using carbon fibre reinforced composite, ECR-SERB-DST, 2018, 23.8 Lakhs.
- Fight Against CoVID19 – Face Shield, ONGC, NMPT, OMPL, MRPL, Stratasys, 40 Lakhs.
- Design of Oil skimming Application with super hydrophobic sponge, MRPL (2019), 44 Lakhs.
- Design of Magneto Rheological damper for Vehicular applications, SPARC-MHRD, (2019), 60.35 Lakhs.
- Development of Brushless DC (BLDC) Motors for an Automotive Power Window Application, Dept. of Heavy Industries + M/s Aditya Auto (2020), 375 Lakhs, Ongoing
- Explore – Experiential Learning Reengineered, IITMAA (2020), 25 Lakhs.
- Investigation on radiolucent composite sandwich materials for biomedical imaging systems under hygrothermal environment” AISTDF-SERB (2020), Rs 37.08 Lakhs.
- E Mobility, NITK+NITKAlumni (2021), 15 Lakhs.
- Development of biodegradable micro perforated panel with non-uniform cross-section through 3D printing for sound absorption applications", Core Research Grant, SERB-DST, (2021), Rs. 36.22 Lakhs.
- Development of convertible and a cost-effective mechanism for Smart-flower type solar panels, SERD-DST, 2021, 54 Lakhs.
- Design and Development of Semi-Active Prosthetic Knee using cost-effective Magneto Rheological Brake to assist Trans-Femoral Amputees, DST, Board – SEED/TIDE, (2022), 23.98 Lakhs.
- Semi-active damping using controllable orifice for four wheeler automobile, DST,SERB,(CRG), (2022), 28.18 Lakhs.
- Design of Magneto Rheological Mount for Helicopter Seat Vibration Control, ARDB, DRDO, (2022), 32 Lakhs.

## Selected Publications:

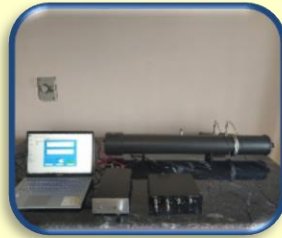
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- Radhe Shyam Saini Tak, Hemantha Kumar and Sujatha Chandramohan, Optimal design of Inverted rotary MR brake with waveform boundary using a novel combined magnetostatic approach, Volume 29, Number 10, *Smart Materials and Structures*, 2020.
- K.N. Ravikumar, C.K. Madhusudana, Hemantha Kumar, K.V. Gangadharan, Classification of gear faults in internal combustion (IC) engine gearbox using discrete wavelet transform features and K star algorithm, *Engineering Science and Technology, an International Journal*, 2021.
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- Static Analysis of stepped functionally graded magneto-electro-elastic plates in thermal environment: A finite element study. Vinyas, M. and S C Kattimani, *Composite Structures*, 178: 63-86, 2017.
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Impact testing Machine



Impedence Tube



UTM



Transmission Polariscope



Furnace



UTM- 2kN



Polymer composite –  
Preparation and testing



CNC Turning Center



Quarter Car Test Rig



Dual Rotor shaft Test  
Machine



Fatigue Testing Machine



5-Axis CNC Machine



Wire EDM



Rheology



CNC Milling Center

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