## Subject Description Form

| Subject Code                                 | CSE560  |  |
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| Subject Title                                | Indoor Air Quality Management   |  |
| Credit Value                                 | 3   |  |
| Level  | 5   |  |
| Pre-requisite/<br>Co-requisite/<br>Exclusion | <u>Mutual exclusions:</u><br>Indoor Air Quality Engineering (BSE547)  |  |
| Objectives                                   | To provide students with knowledge of management of common IAQ problems. It is expected that students can conduct appropriate measurements, analysis and management of IAQ problems after finishing studying this course.   |  |
| Intended Learning<br>Outcomes                | <ul> <li>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able:</li> <li>a. to understand the nature and characteristics of indoor air pollutants, and common IAQ measurements and assessment;</li> <li>b. to identify IAQ problems which can be caused by different factors, such as the existence of indoor emission source, or penetration of air pollutants from outdoors in order to adopt proper control strategies; and</li> <li>c. to apply the fundamental knowledge about IAQ management to analyze and propose effective solutions to common IAQ problems caused by different emission sources indoors.</li> </ul> |  |
| Subject Synopsis/<br>Indicative Syllabus     | <ul> <li><u>Keyword Syllabus</u></li> <li>i) <u>Introduction to indoor air pollutants and sources</u><br/>Potential indoor air pollutants, HKIAQ management program,<br/>factors affecting IAQ, sick building syndrome (SBS).</li> <li>ii) <u>Indoor air pollutants and sources</u><br/>Aerosols, formaldehyde, radon, airborne bacteria, indoor air<br/>quality model.</li> <li>iii) <u>Common IAQ measurements &amp; assessment</u><br/>Continuous vs. intermittent measurements, data analysis and<br/>interpretation, instrumentation for IAQ studies, method<br/>precision and detection limits.</li> </ul>              |  |

|  | iv) <u>VOC / HCHO emi</u>   | missions   |  |                                |   |
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|  | Sources and chara<br>affecting emission<br>prevention of ind<br>criteria and certific   | cteristics of<br>as of indoor<br>loor VOCs<br>cations. | indoor VC<br>VOCs /<br>/ HCHO  | Cs / HCF<br>HCHO,<br>pollution | IO, factors<br>control or<br>, emission |
|  | v) Environmental Cha  | amber Studie   | es   |                                |   |
|  | Chamber loading ratio, emission factor, emission rate, tracer gas, first order decay model.   |  |  |                                |   |
|  | vi) <u>IAQ control technology</u>   |  |  |                                |   |
|  | Source controls, gaseous pollutant r  | mitigation n<br>emoval.                                | neasures,  | particulate                    | e removal,                              |
|  | vii) <u>Indoor odour</u>  |  |  |                                |   |
|  | Odour characterist<br>odour emissions, d  | ics, odour me<br>lynamic dilut                         | easuremen<br>ion olfacto   | t, samplin<br>ometry tes       | g of source<br>t.                       |
| Teaching/Learning<br>Methodology           | A series of lectures will be given to introduce the principles of IAQ<br>management. The lectures will cover indoor air pollutants and<br>sources, indoor air pollutants measurements and IAQ control<br>technology. Simultaneously, two assignments should be finished<br>by students in order to fully capture the main contents of air<br>pollution control.<br>Tutorials will provide a platform for students to solve any problems<br>relating to the contents of the lecture.<br>Laboratory works will provide students with opportunities to carry<br>out real experimental for monitoring various air pollutants.<br>Case study includes preparation of presentation and report.<br>Students should make critical literature reviews cooperatively<br>about indoor air pollution cases. |  |  |                                |   |
| Assessment<br>Methods in<br>Alignment with | Specific assessment<br>methods/tasks  | %<br>weighting   | Intended subject learning<br>outcomes to be assessed<br>(Please tick as appropriate) |                                |   |
| Outcomes                                   |   |  | a.   | b.                             | с.                                      |
|  | 1. Continuous<br>Assessment   | 30%  | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                            |
|  | 2. Written<br>Examination   | 70%  |  |                                | $\checkmark$                            |
|  | Total   | 100%   |  |                                |   |

|                                | Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:   |  |  |  |  |
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|                                | The coursework will be based on 20% exercises, 70% on test, 10% on laboratory report/site visit report.   |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Written examination is evaluated by final examination.  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Students must attain at least Grade D in both coursework and<br>final examination (whenever applicable) in order to attain a<br>passing grade in the overall result.          |  |  |  |  |
| Reading List and<br>References | Burton, D.J., <i>IAQ and HVAC workbook</i> . Publisher Bountiful, Utah: IVE, Inc. c1997. Edition Rev. and updated 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ed. Call# TD883.2 .B87 1997.                |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Hays, Steve M., <i>Indoor Air Quality</i> . Publisher New York: McGraw-Hill, c1995. Call# TD883.1.H39 1995.   |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air Quality Case Studies Reference Guide, Fairmont Press, c1999. Call# TD883.2 .I5277 1999.  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air Quality Design Guidebook. Publisher Lilburn, GA: Fairmont Press; Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice-Hall, Inc., c1991. Call# TD883.1 .I48 1991.                      |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air Quality Handbook. Publisher New York: McGraw-Hill, c2001. Call# RA770.I42 2001.  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air Quality. Publisher Berlin; New York: Springer-Verlag, c1990. Call# TD884.I53 1990.   |  |  |  |  |
|                                | <i>Indoor Air Quality.</i> Publisher Vienna, Va.: Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association, 1988. Edition 1 <sup>st</sup> Ed. Call# TH6021.I55 1988. |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air Quality: A Comprehensive Reference Book. Publisher<br>Amsterdam; New York: Elsevier Science, 1995. Call#<br>TD883.17.I53 1995.                                     |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Indoor Air: Quality and Control. PTR Prentice Hall, 1993. Call# TD883.1.I476 1993.  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Knoespel, Paul David, <i>Indoor Air Quality Modelling</i> . Madison,<br>Wis.: University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1990. Call#<br>TD883.15 .K56 1990.                             |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Thad Godish, Wayne T. Davis, Joshua S. Fu, <i>Air Quality</i> , Boca Raton: Taylor & Francis, 2015. Call# TD883 .G57 2015.  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Wheeler, Arthur E. <i>Indoor Air Quality</i> . Atlanta, Ga.: American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, 1991. Call# TD883.1 .W43 1991.        |  |  |  |  |
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| Journal list:                                   |
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| American industrial hygiene association Journal |
| Atmospheric Environment                         |
| Environmental International                     |
| Environmental Science and Technology            |
| Indoor Air                                      |
| Indoor and Built Environment                    |
| Journal of Air and Waste Management Association |
| Science of Total Environment                    |
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