# **Examination Policy for CE-Engineering Science Graduate Program**

#### **Ph.D.**:

#### A. Prelim Exam:

Students should nominally take the prelim exam within the first yr.

1-day written exam will be administered once a year in May:

Format: 10 questions total - closed book

Choice of

- 3 questions on applied mathematics
- e.g., Advanced Engineering Mathematics by Wylie
  An Introduction to Applied Mathematics by Gilbert Strang
- 3 questions on general mechanics
- e.g., Continuum Mechanics by Spencer/Chadwick Introduction to the Mechanics of a Continuous Medium by Malvern
- 2 questions on numerical methods
- e.g., Fundamental of Engineering numerical analysis by Parviz Moin
  The Finite Element Methods: Linear Static and Dynamic Finite Element Analysis
  by T. Hughes
- 2 questions on general engineering applications (solids, fluids, geomechanics, heat transfer, biomech, glacialogy, chemistry, ...)

### **B.** Comprehensive Oral Exam:

Format: Oral exam portion should have 2 parts:

- Part 1: general questions on STEM fundamentals and knowledge; readiness to do independent research
- Part 2: a thesis research proposal

## C: Thesis defense

Format: Oral exam.

All established university and general departmental rules apply to degrees in the CE-Engineering Science graduate program.