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Technology Fee Application

Materials and Manufacturing Hardware and Software Improvements for UL Engineering

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ABSTRACT (250 words or less):

This proposal is being submitted to improve the available materials and manufacturing processes training resources in the College of Engineering by implementing an upgrade to an existing ANSYS/GRANTA software package and through the purchase and implementation of a melting/casting system for alloying and casting projects. The upgrades will be integrated into materials, manufacturing processes and design courses offered by the Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Technology, Chemical and Civil Engineering Departments affecting over 2000 students on campus. Funding this project will provide this large pool of students access to state-of-the-art tools intended to improve their instruction and exposure to the necessary skills and knowledge needed to be competitive in the workplace. The project will bring college resources to industry standard where there is currently a deficiency in the simulation and design of these critical methods and processes. Currently, students receive access to a basic GRANTA license which -although valuable- is limited to basic material class data without the detail needed for accurate representation and selection of many engineering materials. In addition to providing industry standard detail, the upgrade will include an EcoAudit tool for incorporating Sustainability in engineering design – a prominent University theme. Current hardware for melting and casting includes the use of a custom constructed furnace whose performance limitations inhibits student impact and learning. Industry standard hardware will not only improve student learning but increase the quantity and quality of experiential activity. Students will receive training in methods and processes that will be necessary to remain competitive and relevant.

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A. Purpose of Grant

A critical and often neglected component of engineering design is the practice of Concurrent Engineering incorporating materials selection and manufacturing process design along with traditional design (stresses, strains) for the part under consideration. Poor material or manufacturing process selection can lead to a failed component or part – often in a catastrophic manner. These design considerations affect students in chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, and industrial technology. Currently, these Departments cover material and process selection as a limited discussion in design courses, separately from the only required material science course of CHEE 317 (which not all departments require). However, there are currently very limited design tools available for training students in the use of material selection or design concepts and in the analysis of the effects, such as performance, availability, and costs, which can have huge consequences on the project success.

In 2019 the PI acquired a license from GRANTA for its CES EduPack tool to begin requiring students to train in an application used by many industry engineers (Figure 1). Figure 2 below shows a portion of a report generated by students using this application for an assignment in the Fall, 2019 semester. CES EduPack is a unique set of teaching resources that support Materials Education across Engineering, Design, Science and Sustainable Development. It is not just a stand-alone selection system, but a resource that can be integrated into broader lectures and student exercises. The tool has licenses at several levels of data available for purchase and the most basic available (Basic Engineering) was acquired by the PI. The proposed project would upgrade this license to the Engineering Edition which will include data for 3900 types of engineering materials as opposed to 100 for the current Basic license (adding particular alloys, polymers and composites as opposed to only classes of alloys and polymers).

In addition to providing industry standard detail, the upgrade will include an EcoAudit tool for incorporating Sustainability in engineering design – a prominent University theme. Engineering curricula increasingly require coverage of sustainability. This is a complex, multi-disciplinary subject, and introducing it to students can be a challenge. CES EduPack provides tools, sustainability-related data, and a methodology to help.

Learning outcomes supported by the Engineering Edition include:

- Understand classes of materials, their properties, and the underlying reasons for those properties.
- Understand the interaction between materials and manufacturing processes and how this affects selection and design.
- Understand systematic selection of materials and processes using constraints and objectives.
- Awareness of the impact of products on the environment and how to design in a way that reduces this impact.
- Identify solutions to real engineering problems (i.e. in capstone design projects) using comprehensive materials and process data.

Resources such as GRANTA are offered by many of our peer institutions (LSU) and used by a whole variety of industry. Choosing the right material for an engineering application, or finding a suitable replacement, is a key skill in industry. A cross-section of industry who use this particular software include: Airbus, Boeing, General Motors, Rolls-Royce, Renault, Honeywell, NASA, DOW, Novo Nordisk, Saudi Aramco, as well as hundreds of Universities.

The application will support both introductory courses such as CHEE 317, where resources allow students to explore the relationships between the Processing, Structure and Properties of materials – and advanced courses where the synthesizer tool allows students to explore new and hybrid materials. This application in combination with the ability to melt/cast alloys provides the holistic experience needed for future engineers.

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The new furnace will employ rapid cycle times of 6 minutes after initial preheating of 40 minutes (Figure 4). The current method for melting involves a heating time of 3-4 hours, limiting melting activity to just one day per semester. The controlled atmosphere system will also aid in improved material quality such that casted parts could be utilized in applications (senior design, research, etc.), whereas currently casted parts are useful for demonstration only. The furnace will also allow alloying of different elements in line with material design applications – especially useful for graduate student applications. The use of the furnace will facilitate advanced materials research and application, in line with the University and statewide emphasis on advanced manufacturing and materials.

Advanced manufacturing applications in aerospace, automotive, healthcare, and consumer product sectors are forecasted for 20-30% annual revenue growth. In order to utilize advanced manufacturing to its fullest potential, engineers and designers must be trained. Such courses are offered by top universities. The goal of this project is to provide UL students the opportunity to receive proper training in conventional as well as the emerging fields of advanced manufacturing.

The purpose of this grant is therefore the acquisition and implementation of two upgrades in materials and manufacturing training resources. The commercial package ANSYS/GRANTA is used by engineers around the world to simulate and select engineering materials in various industries including aeronautics, automotive, energy, and defense. The commercial grade furnace from MTI will provide the capability to conduct high quality melting, alloying, and casting of engineered materials and parts, upgrading students learning experience and opportunities.

With the help of these tools, our students will be able to optimize the materials and processes within a Concurrent Engineering paradigm. The proposed software and hardware can be implemented into current materials, manufacturing processes, and design courses. Both will expose students to the effects of materials and processes on the design of parts and systems. The successful implementation of this training will prepare UL engineering students for the workplaces of the twenty-first century. In addition, this training supports and improves outcomes relative to ABET accreditation.

Impact on Student Body

This initiative will impact students in the following ways:

1. Improvement of the current offering of materials, manufacturing, and design related software to more fully represent today's engineering workplace. The many departments within the College of

Engineering that utilize this training will benefit from the improvement.

- 2. Students currently have limited to no experience with several manufacturing processes such as melting, casting, and alloying. This project will improve experiential learning activity with these processes, learning outcomes, and research opportunities.
- 3. The students have limited interaction with materials selection and no experience with design involving materials selection software aligned with Concurrent Engineering methodologies. Students will be expected to have a level of proficiency in the workplace when entering with an engineering degree. They need the exposure to the tools of the future workplace, especially with developing and advanced manufacturing materials and processes.
- 4. For processes in which the university doesn't have the resources to acquire equipment (metals 3-D printing, laser cutting, etc.) or allotment in the curriculum to teach processes, this software will provide an easy-to-use method for exposure the students may need to understand the process and its limitations and advantages.
- 5. Students will have an advantage over those from other colleges when entering the workplace, making them more competitive for future design or advanced manufacturing jobs.
- 6. Students will value leaving a program having experienced cutting edge technologies which they can bring to businesses and other educators.

B. The Projected Lifetime of Enhancement

These upgrades are expected to last for at least 10 years, as the proposed package represents an industry standard in materials selection that ensures the software will remain current and relevant for the foreseeable future. The hardware has an expected lifetime of 10-20 years for the application proposed.

C. Person(s) Responsible for Project

- a. Implementation: Jonathan Raush, College of Engineering
- b. Installation: Harvey Ozbirn, College of Engineering (software); Jeff Guidry, Mechanical Engineering (hardware)
- c. Maintenance: Harvey Ozbirn, College of Engineering; Jeff Guidry, Mechanical Engineering (hardware)
- d. Operation: Jonathan Raush, College of Engineering
- e. Training: Jonathan Raush, College of Engineering

Qualifications:

Jonathan Raush is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. He has held this position since 2016. He holds a Ph.D. from Louisiana State University in Mechanical Engineering. He specializes in advanced manufacturing of metal alloys and advanced materials design.

Harvey Ozbirn is currently the computer systems manager for the College of Engineering. He has held this position since 1999. He holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Southwestern Louisiana and a Master of Science in Engineering Technology & Management from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Jeffrey Guidry is the Machine Shop Supervisor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. He has held this position since 2000. He has a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Arts Education, from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. He has assisted with MCHE 365 Manual Machining Labs

(including casting), assisted Senior Design student projects and competition projects in machining and welding lab, and assisted Graduate Research Students and research professors in customizing research equipment campus wide.

Budget Proposal

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6.	Other	\$0
5.	Personnel	\$0
4.	Maintenance	\$2,000
3.	Supplies	\$0
2.	Software	\$5,200
1.	Equipment	\$16,521
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Timeline:

Year 1:

Order software site license. Order equipment.

Install software and equipment, implement into course modules in MCHE, ITECH, CIVE, CHEE Year 2:

Further implement into course modules, software maintenance. It is anticipated that following Year 2, maintenance fees for the software will be allocated from alternative sources.

Year 3:

Maintenance

Year 4:

Maintenance

Budget Proposal

ength of Implementation n years)	1	2	3	4	
1. Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2. Software	\$21,721	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	
3. Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL:	\$21,721	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Previously Funded STEP Grants

Jonathan Raush has one previously funded STEP grant project:

Implementation of Virfac® (Virtual Factory) Software Package for a total cost of \$27,000. The purpose of this grant was the acquisition and implementation of a virtual factory simulation environment. Commercial packages are used by engineers around the world to simulate welding, additive manufacturing, machining, heat treatment and damage resistance in various industries including aeronautics, automotive, naval and nuclear. Additive Manufacturing is a latest software addition. The grant facilitated software acquisition and implementation in this regard.

D. Software Images and Examples grantadesign.com

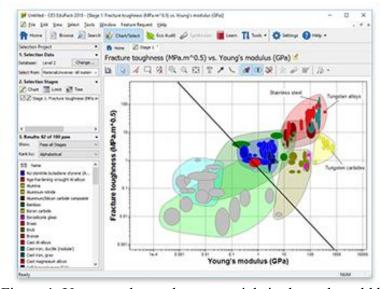


Figure 1. Users can learn about materials in the real world by applying rational, systematic methods to select materials for specific engineering applications.

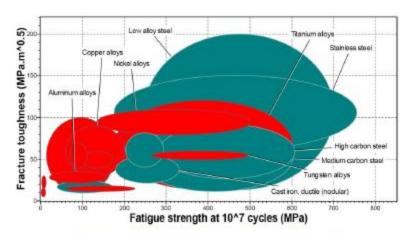


Figure 2a: GRANTA Results showing optimal materials Fracture Toughness vs Fatigue Strength

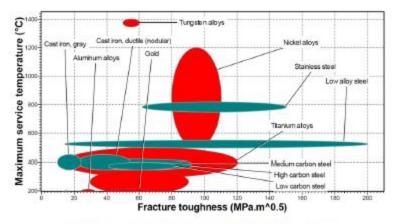


Figure 2b: GRANTA Results showing optimal materials Maximum Service Temperature vs Fracture Toughness

Figure 2. An excerpt from a student report in MCHE365, Fall 2019, using the Basic license.

Eco Audit Tool

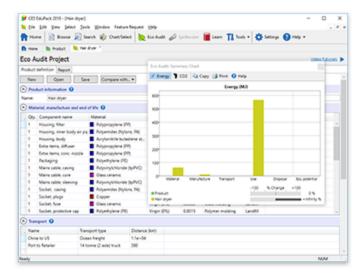


Figure 3. Eco-impact tool. Evaluates the environmental impact of a product. Users can test design scenarios and understand the importance of material and process choices.

Synthesizer

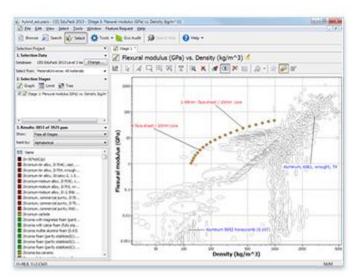


Figure 4. Synthesizer. Users can apply models to the data to predict the properties of hybrid materials and compare them with conventional materials – ideal for advanced projects



Figure 5. Melting and casting furnace with controlled atmosphere from MTI.



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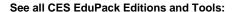
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CES EduPack is a unique set of teaching resources that support Materials Education across Engineering, Design, Science and Sustainable Development. It is currently used by over 1,000 universities and colleges worldwide. You can find user reviews on this link:

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Materials are integral to these subjects. So understanding materials, the way that they are processed, and their impact on the engineering, economic, and environmental behavior of products is essential across this range. CES EduPack and its associated resources help you to develop this understanding. CES EduPack Editions tailor the experience of students and educators by presenting relevant information, resources and tools.



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Licensing

This is not a floating or concurrent user license. We find that students often want to do their homework at the same time (the last hour before the deadline). Therefore, this model does not work for us.

A 'PC seat-based' Lab Teaching License is a perpetual license that enables universities or institutes to use CES EduPack software with students for teaching on a number of fixed PC seats. These Licenses are subject to a minimum number of 10 x PC seats of any one CES EduPack Edition. Customers will receive the software via download for network/PC installation. A volume discount applies on all Licenses with more than 20 PC seats. After the initial maintenance period expires the CES EduPack software may be kept up-to-date by taking out an additional Maintenance Contract, that give continued access to the teaching resources and the latest software version.

System Requirements

To install CES EduPack on your PC, you will need the following:

- A compatible Microsoft® Windows® operating system:
 - Windows 7 32-bit or 64-bit,
 - Windows 8 32-bit or 64-bit.
 - Windows 10 32-bit or 64-bit.
- 4 GB of RAM.
- 4 GB of available hard disk space.
- Internet connection (for web-based search capabilities).
- Microsoft .NET Framework version 4.0 and ReportViewer 2010 SP1. For the French language installation you will also require the French language packs for both of these. If any of these are not already installed, you will be given the option to add them to the CES EduPack installation process.
- Administrator rights.

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- 1. All prices are exclusive of UK sales VAT, any duties, customs clearance charges and local taxes.
- 2. Payment terms: 30 days from date of invoice.
- 3. When installing CES EduPack or other software or data products, customers must agree to the standard license terms provided with the product. Custom extensions to the CES EduPack software, developed by Granta and provided to the customer, are deemed to be governed by the same license agreement.
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