

## **16:400:507 Food Engineering Fundamentals (4 credits)**

**Instructor-in-Charge:** Prof. Mukund V. Karwe

e-mail: [mkarwe@sebs.rutgers.edu](mailto:mkarwe@sebs.rutgers.edu)

Office: Room 221, Food Science and Nutritional Sciences Building (East), Cook Campus

**Prerequisite courses:** First Year college level physics and mathematics (calculus) courses. If you have NOT taken these courses, please see the Prof. Karwe as soon as possible, before signing up for this course.

### **Topics Covered**

Introduction Food Engineering: an Overview  
Engineering Units  
Material Balance  
Thermodynamics  
Psychrometry  
Energy Balance  
Rheology Foods  
Flow of Fluids  
Steady State Heat Transfer  
Unsteady State Heat Transfer  
Reaction Kinetics  
Thermal Processing of Foods  
Freezing  
Evaporation  
Steady State and Unsteady State Mass Transfer  
Food Dehydration/Drying  
Introduction to Non-thermal Processes for Food Preservation

**NOTE:** Most topics are covered at introductory level. We may or may not be able to cover all the listed topics, depending upon the pace of the class.

### **Expected Outcomes**

- To understand physical principles and engineering approximations to mathematically describe a food processing/manufacturing operation.
- To be able to break down a food processing/engineering problem into parts so that one can apply appropriate principles and approximations to solve the problem.
- To be able to do quantitative analysis calculations accurately.
- To be able to integrate knowledge from various topics to understand food processing operations.
- To be able to interpret the results of the analysis and make a judgment based on the answer.

### **Assessment**

- Weekly homework.
- Several quizzes, conceptual, closed-book.
- Three tests, open notes/book, increasing weightage.
- Quantitative accuracy.
- Correct approach and methodology.
- Organization, neatness, and clarity.

### **Grading Criteria** (subject to revision):

Homework: 12%; Quizzes 18%; Test I: 20%; Test II: 23%; Test III: 27%.