



**ADVANCED DIPLOMA OF
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY**

MODULE DETAILS

Module 10: Process Plant Layout and Piping Design

Nominal duration: 3 weeks (36 hours total time commitment)

This time commitment includes the preparation reading, attendance at each webinar (1 hour plus 15-30 minutes for discussion), and the time necessary to complete the assignments and further study.

MODULE PURPOSE

Process plants such as refineries and petrochemical plants are complex facilities consisting of equipment, piping systems, instruments, electrical systems, electronics, computers, and control systems. The design, engineering and construction of process plants involve multidisciplinary team effort. Plant layout and design of piping systems constitute a major part of the design and engineering effort. The objective is to design safe and dependable processing facilities in a cost effective manner. The fact is that there are few formal training programs with a focus on plant layout and design of piping systems, therefore most of the required skills are acquired while on the job, reducing productivity and efficiency.

This interactive module will cover the fundamental principles and concepts used in process plant layout and piping design. You will have an opportunity to learn and discuss the techniques and procedures used in the design and engineering of complex process plants, including fundamentals of plant layout, the equipment used, design principles and procedures. Practical examples from actual projects will be used extensively to illustrate the principles and drive home the point.

**PRE-REQUISITE
MODULES/UNIT(S)**

NONE

ASSESSMENT STRATEGY

To evaluate the achievement of the learning outcomes; written assignments, group projects and practical exercises are set.

**SUMMARY OF LEARNING
OUTCOMES**

1. Examine and discuss the basics of process plant layout and design
2. Describe the basic attributes of equipment used in process plants
3. Examine and discuss the basics of plant layout and plot plans
4. Examine and discuss the basics of Process and Instrumentation Diagrams
5. Create plant layout and piping design documentation



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Learning Outcome 1	Examine and discuss the basics of process plant layout and design
Assessment criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 Examine and discuss plant layout fundamentals1.2 Outline the basics of procedures and workflow methods1.3 Interpret Process Flow Diagrams (PFDs)
Learning Outcome 2	Describe the basic attributes of equipment used in process plants
Assessment criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Discuss the functions of process and mechanical equipment used in process plants2.2 Interpret equipment drawings and specifications2.3 Describe the nature of equipment foundations and supports
Learning Outcome 3	Examine and discuss the basics of plant layout and plot plans
Assessment criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3.1 Interpret plant layout specifications3.2 Discuss guidelines and codes for plant layout3.3 Interpret plot plans and equipment arrangement drawings3.4 Examine and discuss plant safety issues
Learning Outcome 4	Examine and discuss the basics of Process and Instrumentation Diagrams
Assessment criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4.1 Interpret Process and Instrumentation Diagrams (P&ID)4.2 Describe the use of P&IDs in plant layout and piping design4.3 Recognize instruments and instrument symbols4.4 Describe the layout and components of meter runs



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Learning Outcome 5 **Create plant layout and piping design documentation**

Assessment criteria

- 5.1 Interpret piping specifications and codes
- 5.2 Create plant layout and piping design (a) lists, (b) drawings and (c) models

Delivery Mode

A combination of asynchronous and synchronous e-learning delivery comprising a judicious mix of interactive online web conferencing, simulation (virtual labs) software, remote online labs, online videos, PowerPoint slides, notes, reading and study materials (in PDF, HTML and Word format) accessed through the Moodle Learning Management System (LMS).