



# GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Program Name: Industry Led Minor/Hons.

Level: UG

Branch: Industrial Additive Manufacturing

Subject Code : BE05IAV011

Subject Name :Solid –Based Additive Manufacturing Principles and Applications(FDM/FFF)

w. e. f. Academic Year:	2026-27
Semester:	5th
Category of the Course:	Core course

Prerequisite: Basics of mechanical engineering and computer skills. Open for all streams

Rationale:	Learners will design and prepare digital models using CAD tools while understanding geometry, tolerance, and printability concepts—skills directly relevant to product design, prototyping, and manufacturing industries, building a strong foundation for careers in design engineering and advanced manufacturing.
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## Course Outcome:

After Completion of the Course, Student will able to:

No	Course Outcomes	RBT Level*
01	Explain the underlying principles, mechanisms, and workflows of FDM/FFF additive manufacturing systems.	U
02	Analyze the role of process parameters and material properties in determining print quality and mechanical performance.	N
03	Apply design-for-additive-manufacturing (DfAM) principles to create optimized 3D models for FDM/FFF processes.	A
04	Utilize CAD and slicing software to generate, simulate, and prepare models for printing using appropriate toolpaths and G-code.	A
05	Diagnose and troubleshoot common defects in FDM/FFF prints through systematic error analysis and calibration procedures.	E
06	Evaluate post-processing techniques to enhance dimensional accuracy, surface finish, and part functionality.	E

\*Revised Bloom's Taxonomy (RBT)



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### Teaching and Examination Scheme:

Teaching Scheme (in Hours/week)			Total Credits	Assessment Pattern and Marks				Total Marks
L	T	PR	C	Theory		Tutorial / Practical		
				ESE (E)	PA / CA (M)	PA/CA (I)	ESE (V)	
<b>04</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>100</b>

\*Total Lecture Hrs. (L) =60 | Total Practical Hrs. (PR) =30. | Total Hours =90 Hrs

### Course Content:

Unit No.	Content	No. of Hours	% of Weightage
1.	Fundamentals of FDM/FFF Additive Manufacturing Processes	5	5%
2.	Structural Architecture and Operating Principles of FDM/FFF Systems	5	5%
3.	Polymer Material Science and Filament Selection Criteria	5	5%
4.	Design for Additive Manufacturing (DfAM) – FDM/FFF Applications	10	10%
5.	CAD Modeling, Slicing Algorithms, and G-code Generation	20	25%
6.	Diagnostics and Calibration of FDM/FFF Systems	10	10%
7.	Process Parameter Optimization and Print Quality Enhancement	25	30%
8.	Surface Finishing and Post-Processing of Printed Components	10	10%
<b>Total</b>		<b>90</b>	<b>100</b>

### Suggested Specification Table with Marks:

Distribution of Marks (in %)					
R Level	U Level	A Level	N Level	E Level	C Level
<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

Where R: Remember; U: Understanding; A: Application, N: Analyze and E: Evaluate C: Create (as per Revised Bloom's Taxonomy)



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## Skill & Practical Activities to be carried out during Semester

**Important Note:- Please keep only applicable categories relevant to your offerings in this table and delete not applicable categories“**

Sr. No.	Category of Engagement	Describe the activities to be carried out by students in brief	Expected Frequency & Duration	Mode of Delivery (Online / Offline / Hybrid)	Tools / Platforms / Equipment / Machinery to be Used	Expected major Learning Outcomes in 2 or 3 bullet points
1	Tutorials / Guided Technical Sessions	Introduction to FDM/FFF system workflow; slicing in Cura & Eiger; infill, shell, layer height, supports; G-code path preview & parameter explanation.	3 sessions × 2 hours	Offline	Markforged Mark 2, Cura, Eiger, Smart TV, Computers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand key slicing parameters and their effect on print quality</li> <li>• Learn G-code preview &amp; toolpath understanding</li> <li>• Build capability to prepare FDM-ready files independently</li> </ul>
2	Hands-on Training / Lab Exercises / Tool-Based Learning	Students slice and print calibration cubes, tensile samples, and overhang test parts on the Markforged Mark 2; analyze layer adhesion, stringing, bridging.	4 sessions × 3 hours	Offline	Markforged Mark 2, Eiger slicer, Digital caliper (optional), Print removal & cleaning tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gain hands-on experience operating FDM/FFF machines</li> <li>• Identify effects of temperature, speed, infill on print results</li> <li>• Learn print failure diagnosis and preventive tuning</li> </ul>



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3	Equipment Familiarization / Machine Handling	Orientation to filament handling, bed leveling, nozzle maintenance, cleaning, part removal techniques; demonstration of SLA/SLS differences for comparison.	2 sessions × 2 hours	Offline	Markforged Mark 2, Form 2 (SLA), Fuse 1+1 (SLS), Bed leveling tools, Maintenance kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand machine components &amp; FDM maintenance protocols</li> <li>• Learn filament loading, purge, leveling, cleaning operations</li> <li>• Compare FDM workflow with SLA &amp; SLS for better understanding</li> </ul>
4	Prototype Development / Capstone Build / Hardware Integration	Students design a small functional FDM part (e.g., bracket, enclosure, clamp) using Rhino3D; slice in Eiger/Cura; print & evaluate surface finish; minor post-processing.	1 project (6-8 hours)	Offline / Hybrid	Rhino3D, Eiger/Cura, Markforged Mark 2, Finishing tools (blade, file), blasting unit (optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply DfAM concepts to create FDM-optimized designs</li> <li>• Execute complete prototype workflow from design to evaluation</li> <li>• Improve practical understanding of print defects &amp; corrections</li> </ul>

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