Department: Mining Engineering

Level and Major: MSc, Mining Exploitation

Course Title: Advanced Surface Mining

Number of Credits: 3

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Course Goals and Objectives

Selection, design and planning of surface mining methods.

Course Topics

- Surface mining methods classification and application
- Guideline and procedure for selecting surface mining methods, conditions, techniques, and mechanisms
- Open-pit mining methods, strip mining methods (contour, area and modified area mining methods) for single and multiple layers
- Quarry mining methods, Auger mining methods, and non-mechanical mining methods (aqueous mining method) including placer and solution mining methods
- Guideline and procedure for selecting surface mines equipment
- Site selection for surface equipment and facility
- Surface mines planning: 1-variable associated, 2-Type of plans
- Cost estimation in surface mining 1-Detailed methods 2-OHara methods
- Evaluation of surface mine projects
- Pit slope and its role in mine design
- Mining royalties- definition
- Mining royalties- calculation
- Fixed cutoff grade and Dynamic cutoff grade Fixed cutoff grade-definition and types: [1] break-even cutoff grade (mine cutoff grade, [2] mill cutoff grade, [3] long term cutoff grade (ultimate pit cutoff grade), [4] short term cutoff grade, [5] mine sustainability cutoff grade

Reading Resources

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