

Stanford



Drew Nelson

Professor of Mechanical Engineering

Bio

BIO

Research involves development of improved methods for predicting the fatigue life of engineering materials, including the effects of manufacturing processes, and investigation of new approaches in the field of experimental mechanics, such as determination of residual stresses using optical methods.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Mechanical Engineering
- Member, Bio-X
- Member, Cardiovascular Institute

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Hetenyi award, Society for Experimental Mechanics (1994)
- Spergel Memorial Award, 32nd IWC Symposium (1984)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- PhD, Stanford , Mechanical Engineering (1978)

Teaching

COURSES

2020-21

- Experimental Stress Analysis: ME 348 (Aut)
- Fatigue Design and Analysis: ME 345 (Win)

2019-20

- Experimental Stress Analysis: ME 348 (Aut)
- Fatigue Design and Analysis: ME 345 (Win)

2018-19

- Experimental Stress Analysis: ME 348 (Aut)
- Fatigue Design and Analysis: ME 345 (Win)
- Mechanical Engineering Design: Integrating Context with Engineering: ME 170B (Spr)

2017-18

- Experimental Stress Analysis: ME 348 (Aut)
- Fatigue Design and Analysis: ME 345 (Win)
- Mechanical Engineering Design: Integrating Context with Engineering: ME 170B (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Master's Program Advisor

Edgar Chung, Joy Franco, Collin Greene, Roshan Toopal

Doctoral Dissertation Co-Advisor (AC)

Joseph Pace

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Experimental Methods for Determining Residual Stresses and Strains in Various Biological Structures.** *Exp Mech*
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- **Review of Methods for Determining Residual Stresses in Biological Materials.** *In: Exp Appl Mech, Springer*
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2006; 46 (1): 31-38
- **Residual Stress Determination Using Digital Image Correlation** *Exp Mech*
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- **Stable crack growth and instability prediction in thin plates and cylinders** *Workshop on Fundamentals and Applications of the Crack-Tip-Opening-Angle (CTOA)*
Hampton, R. W., Nelson, D.
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- **A study of small crack growth in aluminum alloy 7075-T6** *INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF FATIGUE*
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- **Small crack growth in combined bending-torsion fatigue of A533B steel** *FATIGUE & FRACTURE OF ENGINEERING MATERIALS & STRUCTURES*
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