Construction Management
College of Science, Engineering & Technology
Department of Construction Management
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Construction Management Major. The Construction Management major prepares graduates for success in the rapidly changing construction industry. Course work emphasizes management with an additional focus on technology and systems specific to the construction industry. Typical entry-level positions include field manager, assistant superintendent, project engineer, scheduler, assistant estimator, project cost controller and safety director.

Admission to Major is granted by the College of Science, Engineering and Technology. Admission requirements are:
- A minimum of 32 earned semester credit hours
- Completion of CM 297
- GPA Policy. A minimum grade of “C” (2.0) is required in all courses listed in the Construction Management BS Degree.
- P/N Grading Policy. All courses in the major must be taken for letter grade except where P/N is the only option.

Required General Education
ECON 201 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
ECON 202 Principles of Microeconomics (3)
ENG 101 Composition (4)
MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics (4)
STAT 154 Elementary Statistics (3)
Lab Based Science Courses (8 credits)
(Credit 3-4 credits)
PHYS 101 Introductory Physics (3)
PHYS 211 Principles of Physics I (4)
(Credit Remaining 4-5 credits)
CHEM 201 General Chemistry I (5)
GEOL 100 Our Geologic Environment (4)

Major Common Core
ACCT 200 Financial Accounting (3)
ACCT 210 Managerial Accounting (3)
BLAW 200 Legal, Political, and Regulatory Environment of Business (3)
BLAW 476 Construction and Design Law (3)
CM 111 Introduction to Construction Management (1)
CM 120 Construction Graphics (3)
CM 130 Construction Documents (2)
CM 210 Construction Materials and Methods I (3)
CM 220 Construction Materials and Methods II (3)
CM 222 Introduction to Statics and Mechanics of Materials (3)
CM 271 Civil Engineering Measurements (2)
CM 297 Construction Professional Practice (1)
CM 300 Construction Safety (3)
CM 310 Estimating I (3)
CM 330 Planning and Scheduling (3)
CM 350 Mechanical and Electrical Systems (3)
CM 390 Structural Analysis and Design (3)
CM 410 Estimating II (3)
CM 440 Project Management (3)
CM 450 Construction Capstone Project (3)
CM 492 Construction Management Seminar (3)
CM 497 Internship (3)
ENG 271W Technical Communication (4)
IT 101 Introduction to Information Systems (3)
MGMT 200 Introduction to MIS (3)
MGMT 330 Principles of Management (3)

Major Restricted Electives
Select one of two classes (3 credits)
FINA 362 Business Finance (3)
MRKT 310 Principles of Marketing (3)

Required Minor: None.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CM 111 (1) Introduction to Construction Management
Overview of academic preparation and career opportunities in the fields of Construction Management. Skills needed for estimating, scheduling, project management and field supervision will be previewed with an emphasis on future trends in the industry.

CM 120 (3) Construction Graphics
Emphasis on plan reading, basic sketching and drawing techniques, graphic vocabulary, detail hierarchies, scale, content, notes and specifications, reference conventions, computer applications.
Fall, Spring

CM 130 (2) Construction Documents
Basic understanding of the plans and specifications for construction projects. Emphasis on interpretation of bidding and contractual documents, conditions of the contract, plans/working drawings; applications of existing and new technology preparing students for the future.
Fall, Spring

CM 210 (3) Construction Materials and Methods I
Understand how construction affects professional industry and society, present state of the profession and its future. Learn about the various materials used in construction—the composition, properties, standard designations, sizes, gradations and testing techniques. Understand changes in technology of building construction materials.
Pre: CM 111, CM 120, CM 130, IT 101
Fall, Spring

CM 220 (3) Construction Materials and Methods II
Fundamentals of building construction and their applications in construction systems and utilities. Application of the principles of building science to construction sites; relationship between technology and innovations in methods, sustainable building practices and “green” building requirements.
Pre: CM 210
Fall, Spring

CM 222 (3) Introduction to Statics and Mechanics of Materials
Course introduces the design theory and applied principles of force equilibrium, stress and strain, shear, bending moments, force diagrams, deformations of beams, and stress/strain analysis.
Pre: PHYS 101, MATH 113 or MATH 115 or MATH 121
Fall, Spring
CM 271 (2) Civil Engineering Measurements  
Basic civil engineering measurements as relates to construction layout, including  
distances, angles, bearings, elevations, mapping and positioning.  
Pre: MATH 113 or MATH 115 or MATH 121  
Fall, Spring

CM 297 (1) Construction Professional Practice  
Principles of professional conduct, ethical codes and best practices are applied to  
the development of a portfolio and presentation. Students will sit for interviews,  
set career goals and begin building a professional network.  
Pre: CM 210  
Fall, Spring

CM 300 (3) Construction Safety  
Principles and practices of construction safety, health and loss control. Emphasis is  
on hazard recognition, control procedures and management systems for  
measuring and evaluating loss control performance in the construction industry.  
Pre: CM 210  
Fall, Spring

CM 310 (3) Estimating I  
This course covers types of estimates and their uses, the basics of quantity take-off, labor and equipment productivity and basic computer applications.  
Pre: MATH 113 or MATH 115 or MATH 121

CM 330 (3) Planning and Scheduling  
Understanding project planning, scheduling and control models with emphasis on  
the critical path methods. Introductions to the techniques used in the industry  
utilizing commercial software on personal computers, highlighting the importance of  
analysis of schedules; considering and understanding schedule alternatives will be stressed.  
Pre: ENG 271W, CM 220  
Fall, Spring

CM 350 (3) Mechanical and Electrical Systems for Construction  
Design concepts of plumbing, HVAC, and electrical and control systems are  
analyzed for attributes that affect the design and construction processes and the  
performance of completed structures.  
Pre: CM 220  
Fall, Spring

CM 390 (3) Structural Analysis and Design  
Structural analysis and design principles for construction managers, including  
different types of building loads and their effects upon the various materials used by architects and/or engineers. Analysis techniques will focus on structural  
members utilizing steel, wood and reinforced concrete materials.  
Pre: CM 222 or MET 222  
Fall, Spring

CM 410 (3) Estimating II  
This course covers types of estimates and their uses, pricing and price databases, labor and equipment productivity, proposal presentations, computer applications in estimating and research in sustainable construction.  
Pre: CM 310, CM 330  
Fall, Spring

CM 440 (3) Construction Project Management  
This course encompasses an overview of the operations of a firm relevant to  
project management and cost controls. The positions and roles of construction  
management personnel are identified and analyzed. The use of computers will  
be incorporated into the submittal and transmittal processes.  
Pre: CM 300, CM 310, CM 330  
Fall, Spring

CM 450 (3) Construction Capstone Project  
The course will involve the students in a Capstone Project in teams representing a  
construction company. This is a project where students will integrate the coursework concept of the core program through research, application and presentation.  
Pre: CM 222, CM 350, CM 440  
Fall, Spring

CM 492 (3) Construction Management Seminar  
A seminar course that involves a critical evaluation of an area in the construction  
management discipline and/or industry. Topics vary from year to year. Students  
are usually required to make a presentation to the class.  
Pre: Senior Standing or instructor permission  
Fall, Spring

CM 497 (1-12) Internship  
Pre: CM 310, CM 300

CM 499 (1-4) Individual Study  
An in-depth study on a topic of particular interest to the student. Project must be  
approved by project supervisor and department chairperson.