TCM Construction Management

TCM 1131 Building Materials and Systems
0.3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The materials, systems and methods of construction. Topics include material properties, selection and application criteria and construction processes. Covers divisions 7-14 of the CSI Master Format, but with an emphasis on divisions 7-9.

TCM 1231 Introduction to Construction Management
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
This course presents an introduction to the construction management profession and the construction industry that it serves. It includes an overview of industry sectors, professional organizations, and the industry’s impact on the economy. The basics of the construction process and delivery systems will be discussed. Students will be introduced to software that is part of the construction manager’s day-to-day role. A thorough understanding of the construction management curriculum and the various courses will be provided.

TCM 1232 Construction Graphics
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
This course is a study of construction drawings and specifications. It exposes students to fundamental graphical communication knowledge and print-reading skills. Students will also learn necessary modeling techniques to create basic construction models and generate construction drawings using the most cutting-edge Building Information Modeling (BIM) tools. Topics include print reading, sketching and drafting techniques for the presentation of floor plans, elevations, sections and building components using BIM software.
Prerequisite(s): TCM 1231, MATH 1112, MATH 1113, MATH 1441.

TCM 2233 Construction Surveying
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
Introduction to the equipment and techniques used for construction surveying, including measurement of distances, horizontal and vertical angles, and differences in elevation. Emphasis is placed on accuracy of measurements, precise operation of instruments, completeness in laboratory exercises, and accurate field notes.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 1232, MATH 1112 or MATH 1113 or MATH 1441.

TCM 2234 Mechanical and Electrical Equipment and Systems
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course includes a study of mechanical and electrical equipment and systems as related to the construction industry. The course is composed of three basic parts. Part one addresses available energy sources, thermoflows and ventilation characteristics, air handling systems, and mechanical codes. Part two addresses domestic water and waste systems, fire sprinklers and stand pipe systems and plumbing codes. Part three addresses electrical power, lighting and communication systems and electrical codes.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 1232, PHYS 1111, PHYS 1113 or permission of instructor.

TCM 2240 Introduction to Structures
0.4 Credit Hours. 0.3 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
The theory of structures and its applications to building construction. Topics include analysis of coplanar force systems, analysis of trusses and frames, friction, centroids and moment of inertia, stresses and strains, properties of materials, bending, shear, deflections in beams, combined stresses and analysis of columns.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in PHYS 1111, PHYS 2211, PHYS 1113.

TCM 2333 Building Information Modeling for Construction Management
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
Introduction to Building Information Modeling (BIM). This course highlights the merits of BIM in promoting productivity and profitability in the construction industry. Topics include the history of information modeling technology and its impacts on construction industry; major BIM software applications and basic modeling techniques; application of BIM authoring and analysis skills for construction projects. The course emphasizes hands-on modeling skills and the utilization of BIM technology to solve construction project problems.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 1232.

TCM 2430 Construction Safety
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course includes a study of safe construction practices. Topics include workers’ compensation insurance, OSHA regulations, construction disasters, safe construction training and planning, and the hidden costs of accidents. Students are highly encouraged to obtain the OSHA 30-hour safety card as part of this course.

TCM 3231 Structures I
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
This course explores the means and methods used in the construction of structural systems with a primary focus on steel structures. The course presents topics on the fundamental material properties and strengths of structural steels and on the purposes of different structural elements (beams, columns, shear and moment connections, splices, braces, composite slabs, gusset plates, bolts, anchor rods, shear studs, welds, stiffeners, etc.) The course additionally presents a description of the design methods in steel structures and construction of various structural systems.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 1232, TCM 2240.

TCM 3232 Structures II
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
This course discusses the means and methods used in the construction of structural systems with emphasis on concrete and masonry structures. The course presents topics on the fundamental properties and characteristics of concrete, concrete mix, strengths, design and construction of concrete formwork, concrete reinforcing, placing, testing, masonry materials and construction of various structural systems.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 1232, TCM 2240.

TCM 3330 Quantity Estimating
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
Construction estimating with emphasis on quantity take-off and specifications, including techniques of interpreting a visualizing construction drawings.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 3231, TCM 3232, TCM 2232, TCM 1131.

TCM 3331 Construction Finance
0.3 Credit Hours. 0.2 Lecture Hours. 0.2 Lab Hours.
A study of financial management for contractors with special emphasis on project level financial controls, cost accounting and variance analysis, the time value of money, cash flow management, overhead and break-even analysis, banking and bonding, financial statements and ratios.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in ECON 2105, ACCT 2030, TCM 1231.

TCM 3332 Construction Equipment Management
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The various aspects of heavy equipment management and ownership. Topics include equipment acquisition and disposition options, production costs and productivity, cost analysis and control, management staffing and responsibilities, selected topics in maintenance, depreciation and economic life.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in MATH 1112, MATH 1113, MATH 1441.
Cross Listing(s): TCM 3332S.
TCM 3332S Const. Equipt. Management
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The various aspects of heavy equipment management and ownership. Topics include equipment acquisition and disposition options, production costs and productivity, cost analysis and control, management staffing and responsibilities, selected topics in maintenance, depreciation and economic life.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in MATH 1112, MATH 1113, MATH 1441.
Cross Listing(s): TCM 3332.

TCM 3333 Building Codes
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course includes a study of codes applicable to the construction industry with emphasis on the Standard Building Code. An introduction to construction related federal regulations with an emphasis on labor related issues; construction labor unions and the collective bargaining process.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 3331.

TCM 3890 Special Problems in Construction
1-4 Credit Hours. 1-4 Lecture Hours. 0-4 Lab Hours.
Individualized study in the area of building construction and contracting not otherwise available in the student's program.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor 6 weeks prior to term course will be taken.

TCM 4090 Selected Topics in Construction
1-3 Credit Hours. 1-3 Lecture Hours. 0-2 Lab Hours.
Scheduled on an infrequent basis to allow the exploration of undergraduate topics within building construction and contracting. Course shall carry a subtitle for topic identification.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor.

TCM 4090H Sel. Topics in Construction
1-3 Credit Hours. 1-3 Lecture Hours. 0-2 Lab Hours.
Scheduled on an infrequent basis to allow the exploration of undergraduate topics within building construction and contracting. Course shall carry a subtitle for topic identification.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor.

TCM 4090S Sel. Topics in Construction
1-3 Credit Hours. 1-3 Lecture Hours. 0-2 Lab Hours.
Scheduled on an infrequent basis to allow the exploration of undergraduate topics within building construction and contracting. Course shall carry a subtitle for topic identification.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor.

TCM 4431 Construction Cost Estimating
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 1 Lab Hour.
This course includes methods and procedures for estimating costs of construction projects. Topics include types and purposes of estimates, direct and indirect costs, labor and equipment cost analysis, the CSI Masterformat, approximate estimates, and computerized estimating methods. Graduate students will be required to complete individual advanced level research in an area beyond the scope of the undergraduate requirements that demonstrates a higher level of mastery in the subject matter with additional required deliverables representative of graduate level work, as determined by the instructor.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in TCM 3330, TCM 3331 or permission of instructor.
Cross Listing(s): TCM 5431G.
TCM 5433 Proj Planning/Scheduling
3 Credit Hours. 2 Lecture Hours. 2 Lab Hours.
This course covers the fundamentals and techniques of planning and scheduling for construction projects. Topics include bar charts, Critical Path Method using both arrow and node networks, precedence networks, cost-time trade-offs, PERT, resource leveling, updating schedules during construction, project control, earned value method, lean construction principles and practices, and computerized scheduling techniques. Graduate students will be required to complete individual advanced level research in an area beyond the scope of the undergraduate requirements that demonstrates a higher level of mastery in the subject matter with additional required deliverables representative of graduate level work, as determined by the instructor.

Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in STAT 2231, TCM 1231 or permission of instructor.

Cross Listing(s): TCM 5433G.