Civil Engineering (CVEG)

Courses

CVEG 2002. Introduction to Civil Engineering Plans and CADD. 2 Hours.
Development and preparation of design and construction plans; plan terminology and features; introduction to computer-aided drafting and design (CADD) software. Corequisite: Drill component. Prerequisite: Civil Engineering major or departmental consent.

CVEG 2015. Fundamentals of Mechanics for Civil Engineers. 5 Hours.
Provides the students with a foundation in the theory and principles of Statics and Mechanics of Materials for use in subsequent civil engineering courses. The course applies mathematics and physics to solve practical problems of mechanics. A general analysis approach is emphasized for problem solving and as an introduction to the Engineering Design Process. Pre- or Corequisite: MATH 3083 or MATH 2574. Prerequisite: MATH 2564 and PHYS 2054 with grades of C or higher.

CVEG 2051L. Surveying Systems Laboratory. 1 Hour.
Laboratory exercises demonstrating the principles and practices of surveying systems. Corequisite: CVEG 2053.

CVEG 2053. Surveying Systems. 3 Hours.
Coordinate geometry, measurements, and total integrated surveying systems; total stations, electronic data collection, and reduction; error analysis; applications to civil engineering and surveying practice. Corequisite: CVEG 2051L. Prerequisite: MATH 2554 or MATH 2445.

CVEG 2113. Structural Materials. 3 Hours.
Production, properties, behavior, and structural applications of concrete, steel, timber, masonry, and plastic. Statistical analysis methods for quality control are also covered. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 2015 (formerly CVEG 2014) with a grade of C or better or MEEG 3013 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 2851. Engineering Professional Practice Issues. 1 Hour.
Study of various issues related to the professional practice of engineering including ethics, professionalism, professional licensure, project procurement, social and political issues, globalization, and other legal issues. Corequisite: CVEG 2053.

CVEG 3131L. Soil Mechanics Laboratory. 1 Hour.
Index, strength, and consolidation properties of soils; test methods and specifications for soil sampling and testing. Corequisite: CVEG 3133.

CVEG 3133. Soil Mechanics. 3 Hours.
Introduction to geotechnical engineering. Properties of soils related to foundations, retaining walls, earth structures, and highways. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: CVEG 3131L. Pre- or Corequisite: CVEG 3213 and MATH 2584. Prerequisite: (MEEG 3013 or CVEG 2014) and (GEOL 1113 or GEOL 3002) and CVEG 2002, each with grades of C or better.

CVEG 3213. Hydraulics. 3 Hours.
Study of incompressible fluids. Topics include fluid properties, fluid statics, continuity, energy and hydraulic gradients, fundamentals of flow in pipes and open channels. Hardy Cross analyses, measurement of flow of incompressible fluids, hydraulic similitude and dimensional analysis. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 2014 or MEEG 2003, either with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 3223. Hydrology. 3 Hours.
Flood routing procedures in storage reservoirs and channels. Hydrologic planning including storage reservoir design, frequency duration analysis, and related techniques. Prerequisite: (CVEG 2053 or BENG 2643), (CVEG 3213 or MEEG 3503 or CHEG 2133) and INEG 2313, each with grades of C or better.

CVEG 3243. Environmental Engineering. 3 Hours.
Introduction to theories and fundamentals of physical, chemical, and biological processes with emphasis on water supply and wastewater collection, transportation, and treatment. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: MATH 2584 with a grade of C or better, and CHEM 1103 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 3303. Structural Analysis. 3 Hours.
Truss analysis, influence lines for beams and frames, and effects of moving loads. Deformation of beams, frames, and trusses. Analysis of indeterminate structures by moment area, slope deflection, and moment distribution methods; approximate methods of analysis. Lecture 3 hours, drill 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Drill component. Prerequisite: MEEG 3013 or CVEG 2014, each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 3413. Transportation Systems Engineering. 3 Hours.
Transportation Systems Engineering: Introduction to transportation systems engineering and planning. Includes the following topics: transportation governance, financing, and the effect on the environment; traffic flow theory; safety; traffic operations and control; capacity; and travel demand modeling. Prerequisite: CVEG 2053 and INEG 2313, each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4053. Land Surveying. 3 Hours.
Historical background of property surveys. Detailed consideration of original surveys and the United States Public Land Surveys. Writing adequate land descriptions. Interpretation of old descriptions. Excess and deficiency. Riparian rights. Field practice in relocation of old corners. Prerequisite: Senior standing and CVEG 2053 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4083. Control Surveys. 3 Hours.
Sun and Polaris observations for astronomical azimuth, solar access studies; control traversing, leveling, triangulation; state plane coordinate systems. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 2053 and CVEG 2051L with grades of C or better.

CVEG 4143. Foundation Engineering. 3 Hours.
Analysis and design of retaining walls, footings, sheet piles, and piles. Determination of foundation settlements in sand and clay. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133, INEG 2313 and INEG 2413, each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4153. Earth Structures. 3 Hours.
The use of soil as a construction material including compaction, cement, lime, and fly ash stabilization. Special topics include seepage, slope stability, swelling, and collapsible soils. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4203. Environmental Regulations and Permits. 3 Hours.
Topics include federal and state environmental regulations, the permitting process, permit requirements and related issues. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243 with a grade of C or better and senior standing.

CVEG 4223. Groundwater Hydrology. 3 Hours.
Detailed analysis of groundwater movement, well hydraulics, groundwater pollution and artificial recharge. Surface and subsurface investigations of groundwater and groundwater management, saline intrusion and groundwater modeling will be addressed. Prerequisite: CVEG 3223.

CVEG 4243. Environmental Engineering Design. 3 Hours.
Application of physical, biological, and chemical operations and processes to the design of water supply and wastewater treatment systems. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243, INEG 2313 and INEG 2413, each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4253. Small Community Wastewater Systems. 3 Hours.
Design of innovative and alternative wastewater collection, transport, and treatment systems typically suited for rural and small community applications. Recitation 3 hours per week. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243.
CVEG 4263. Air Pollution Control. 3 Hours.
Fundamentals of air pollution causes, effects, and measurements; as well as, control methods with application to current industrial problems. Prerequisite: CVEG 3213 or MEEG 3503.

CVEG 4273. Open Channel Flow. 3 Hours.
Open Channel Flow includes advanced open channel hydraulics, flow measurement techniques, a hydrology review, culvert and storm drainage design, natural channel classification (fluvial geomorphology) and rehabilitation, computer methods and environmental issues. Prerequisite: CVEG 3213 and CVEG 3223.

CVEG 4303. Reinforced Concrete Design I. 3 Hours.
Design of reinforced concrete elements with emphasis on ultimate strength design supplemented by working stress design for deflection and crack analysis. Prerequisite: CVEG 2113 and CVEG 3304 with grades of C or better.

CVEG 4313. Structural Steel Design I. 3 Hours.
Design of structural steel elements by elastic design the Load and Resistance Factor Design method. Intensive treatment of tension members, beams, columns, and connections. Pre- or Corequisite: CVEG 2113. Prerequisite: CVEG 3304 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4323. Structural Loadings. 3 Hours.
Theoretical background to and practical code requirements for various structural loadings. These include dead loads, occupancy loads, roof loads and ponding, snow loads, granular loads, vehicular loads, wind loading, and seismic loads. Prerequisite: (CVEG 3304 or CVEG 3303), INEG 2413 and (CVEG 4303 or CVEG 4313), each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4343. Reinforced Masonry Design. 3 Hours.

CVEG 4353. Timber Design. 3 Hours.
Selection of timber beams, columns, and beam-columns. Physical properties of wood, analysis and design of timber connections. Truss design, glulam members, timber bridge design, treatment for decay, and fire protection. Pre- or Corequisite: CVEG 2113. Prerequisite: CVEG 3304 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4393. Reinforced Concrete Design II. 3 Hours.
Shear strength, minimum thickness requirements, and deflection calculations for reinforced concrete structural slabs. Design of one-way and two-way structural slabs by the direct design and equivalent frame methods. Prerequisite: CVEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4413. Pavement Evaluation and Rehabilitation. 3 Hours.
Introduction of concepts and procedures for pavement condition surveys; evaluation by nondestructive and destructive testing; maintenance strategies; rehabilitation of pavement systems for highway and airfields; pavement management systems. Prerequisite: CVEG 4433 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4423. Transportation Infrastructure. 3 Hours.
Transportation infrastructure includes discussion on the geometric design of roadways, roadway drainage, roadway materials, roadway structural design, and an economic analysis of roadways. This includes the design of horizontal and vertical alignment, cross section, intersections, pavement materials, and structural capacity. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 3413 and INEG 2413, each with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4433. Transportation Pavements and Materials. 3 Hours.
Study of the engineering properties and behavior of materials commonly used in transportation facilities as they relate to the design and performance of flexible and rigid pavement systems. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133, CVEG 3413, and INEG 2313 with grades of C or better.

CVEG 4513. Construction Management. 3 Hours.
Introduction to methods and procedures for management of civil engineering construction projects including organization, plans and specs, cost estimating and bidding, project planning and finance, quality control/ assurance, construction safety, cost management, labor issues, change orders, and subcontractor issues. Prerequisite: Senior standing and Civil Engineering majors only.

CVEG 4812. Environmental Design Project. 2 Hours.
Comprehensive engineering design project primarily related to environmental issues. Corequisite: CVEG 4243.

CVEG 4822. Geotechnical Design Project. 2 Hours.
Comprehensive engineering design project primarily related to geotechnical issues. Prerequisite: CVEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4832. Structural Design Project. 2 Hours.
Comprehensive engineering design project primarily related to structural issues. Corequisite: CVEG 4323. Prerequisite: CVEG 4303 and CVEG 4313 with grades of C or better.

CVEG 4842. Transportation Design Project. 2 Hours.
Comprehensive engineering design project primarily related to transportation issues. Corequisite: CVEG 4423. Prerequisite: CVEG 2002 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 4863. Sustainability in Civil Engineering. 3 Hours.
Qualify and quantify the economic, environmental, societal, and engineering drivers behind sustainability in Civil Engineering. Justification of the feasibility and benefits of sustainability in environmental, geotechnical, structural, and transportation engineering through verbal and written communications. Prerequisite: Senior standing.

CVEG 488V. Special Problems. 1-6 Hour.
Special problems. Prerequisite: Senior standing. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

CVEG 488VH. Honors Special Problems. 1-6 Hour.
Service Learning in Belize. Prerequisite: Senior standing. This course is equivalent to CVEG 488V.

CVEG 4890. Fundamentals of Engineering Seminar. 0 Hours.
Preparation for students taking the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) examination, administered by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES). Concept review and problem-solving drills for topics covered on the FE-Civil examination. Prerequisite: Civil Engineering major and senior standing.

CVEG 491VH. Honors Studies in Geotechnical Engineering. 1-6 Hour.
The study of advanced topics in the geotechnical engineering field. May include participation in geotechnical engineering courses normally available only to graduate students. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133 with a grade of C or better. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

CVEG 492VH. Honors Studies in Environmental Engineering. 1-6 Hour.
The study of advanced topics in the environmental engineering field. May include participation in environmental engineering courses normally available only to graduate students. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243 with a grade of C or better. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

CVEG 493VH. Honors Studies in Structural Engineering. 1-6 Hour.
The study of advanced topics in the structural engineering field. May include participation in structural engineering courses normally available only to graduate students. Prerequisite: CVEG 3304 with a grade of C or better. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

CVEG 494VH. Honors Studies in Transportation Engineering. 1-6 Hour.
The study of advanced topics in the transportation engineering field. May include participation in transportation engineering courses normally available only to graduate students. Prerequisite: CVEG 3413 with a grade of C or better. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.
CVEG 4983H. Honors Undergraduate Thesis. 3 Hours.
Thesis research for civil engineering students enrolled in the honors college. Prerequisite: Honors College.

CVEG 5100. Graduate Seminar in Civil Engineering. 0 Hours.
A weekly seminar devoted to civil engineering research topics. Appropriate grade to be “S”.

CVEG 5113. Soil Dynamics. 3 Hours.
This course covers propagation of stress waves in elastic and inelastic materials, dynamic loading of soils, and stiffness and damping properties of soils. Use of field and laboratory techniques to determine shear wave velocity of soils. Also includes applications of dynamic soil properties in site stiffness characterization, geotechnical earthquake engineering, evaluation of ground improvement, and design of machine foundations. Prerequisite: CVEG 4143 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5123. Measurement of Soil Properties. 3 Hours.
Consideration of basic principles involved in measuring properties of soils. Detailed analysis of standard and specialized soil testing procedures and equipment. Lecture 2 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 4143 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5143. Transportation Soils Engineering. 3 Hours.
Advanced study of the properties of surficial soils; soil classification systems; pedology; soil occurrence and variability; subgrade evaluation procedures; repeated load behavior of soils; soil compaction and field control; soil stabilization; soil trafficability and subgrade stability for transportation facilities. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5163. Seepage and Consolidation. 3 Hours.
Investigation of the flow of water through soils and the time rate of compression of soils. Characterization of the hydraulic conductivity of soils in the field, seepage through earth dams, excavation cut-off walls, and other seepage control systems. Analytical and experimental investigations of soil volume change under hydraulic and mechanical loading. Design of earth and rock dams, well pumping, and vertical and radial consolidation in embankments. Prerequisite: CVEG 4143 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5173. Advanced Foundations. 3 Hours.
Study of soil-supported structures. Topics include drilled piers, slope stability, pile groups, negative skin friction, foundation design from the standard penetration test and Dutch cone, and other specialized foundation design topics. Prerequisite: CVEG 4143 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5183. Geo-Environmental Engineering. 3 Hours.
Study of the geotechnical aspects of waste containment systems and contaminant remediation applications. Analysis and measurement of flow of water and contaminants through saturated and unsaturated soils, clay mineralogy and soil-chemical compatibility, and mechanical and hydraulic behavior of geomembranes, geotextiles, and geosynthetic clay liners. Design and construction aspects of compacted clay and composite landfill liners, drainage systems, and landfill covers. Prerequisite: CVEG 3133 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5193. Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering. 3 Hours.
This course covers stress wave propagation in soil and rock; influence of soil conditions on seismic ground motion characteristics; evaluation of site response using wave propagation techniques; liquefaction of soils; seismic response of earth structures and slopes. Prerequisite: CVEG 4143 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5203. Water Chemistry. 3 Hours.
This course provides a basis for applying principles of physical chemistry to understanding the composition of natural waters and to the engineering of water and wastewater treatment processes. Topics covered include chemical equilibrium (algebraic, graphical, and computer-aided solution techniques); acid-base equilibria and buffering; oxidation and reduction reactions; and solid precipitation and dissolution. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or CVEG 3243 and instructor approval.

CVEG 5213. Water Treatment & Distribution System Design. 3 Hours.
Design of industrial and municipal water treatment plants. Discussion of raw and treated water requirements for the several uses. Distribution system analysis and design including distribution storage and pumping. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5214. Advanced Wastewater Process Design and Analysis. 4 Hours.
Application of advanced techniques for the analysis of wastewater treatment facilities. Physical, chemical and biological processes for removing suspended solids, organics, nitrogen, and phosphorus. Laboratory treatability studies will be used to develop design relationships. Lecture 3 hours, laboratory 3 hours per week. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CVEG 4243 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5233. Microbiology for Environmental Engineers. 3 Hours.
Fundamental and applied aspects of microbiology and biochemistry relating to water quality control, wastewater treatment, and stream pollution. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5243. Groundwater Hydrology. 3 Hours.
Detailed analysis of groundwater movement, well hydraulics, groundwater pollution and artificial recharge. Surface and subsurface investigations of groundwater and groundwater management, saline intrusion and groundwater modeling will be addressed. Prerequisite: CVEG 3223.

CVEG 5253. Physical-Chemical Processes for Water and Wastewater Treatment. 3 Hours.
This course provides a fundamental understanding of physical and chemical processes used in the treatment of drinking water and wastewater. Principals of mass balance are applied to understand the impact of reactor hydraulics (ideal and non-ideal flow) and reaction kinetics on process performance and identify important process variables. Chemical processes covered include disinfection, gas transfer, adsorption, and ion exchange; physical processes covered include coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, and membranes. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and instructor consent.

CVEG 5273. Open Channel Flow. 3 Hours.
Open Channel Flow includes advanced open channel hydraulics, flow measurement techniques, a hydrology review, culvert and storm drainage facility design, natural channel classification (fluvial geomorphology) and rehabilitation, computer methods and environmental issues. Prerequisite: CVEG 3213 and CVEG 3223.

CVEG 5293. Water Reuse. 3 Hours.
CVEG 5293 is a graduate-level course that discusses topics related to water reclamation and reuse. Topics include past and current practices of water reuse, health and environmental issues related to water reuse, water technologies and systems for water reuse, and water reuse applications. Prerequisite: CVEG 3243 or equivalent course.

CVEG 5303. Theory of Stability. 3 Hours.
Study of structural members subjected to compression. Analysis of compression members considering support conditions and within frame configurations. Analysis of beams considering lateral torsional bucking. AISC Steel Manual strength equations related to columns and beams are derived and discussed. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CVEG 5313. Matrix Analysis of Structures. 3 Hours.
Energy and digital computer techniques of structural analysis as applied to conventional forms, space trusses, and frames. Prerequisite: CVEG 3304 with a grade of C or better.

CVEG 5323. Structural Dynamics. 3 Hours.
Dynamics response of single and multidegree of freedom systems. Modal analysis. Response spectra. Computer programs for dynamic analysis. Design considerations for structures subjected to time-varying forces including earthquake, wind, and blast loads. Prerequisite: CVEG 3303 with a grade of C or better.
CPEG 5333. Concrete Materials. 3 Hours.
Topics include portland cement production, supplementary cementing materials, fresh and hardened concrete properties, mixture proportioning, chemical admixtures, curing, and specialty concretes. Corequisite: Lab component. Prerequisite: CPEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5343. Highway Bridges. 3 Hours.
Economics of spans, current design and construction specifications, comparative designs. Possible refinements in design techniques and improved utilization of materials. Prerequisite: CPEG 4313 and CPEG 4303 with grades of C or better.

CPEG 5353. Prestressed Concrete Design. 3 Hours.
Analysis and design of prestressed concrete beams. Topics include flexural analysis, prestress bond, draping and debonding, allowable stresses, shear analysis and design, camber prediction, and prestress losses. Prerequisite: CPEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5363. Advanced Topics in Reinforced Concrete. 3 Hours.
Analysis and design of reinforced concrete members. Topics include slender columns, one-way and two-way slab design, strut and tie design, and torsion. Prerequisite: CPEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5373. Advanced Structural Steel Design. 3 Hours.
Design of structural steel components using the Load and Resistance Factor Design method. Intensive treatment of simple and eccentric connections, composite construction, plate girders, and plastic analysis and design. Prerequisite: CPEG 4313 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5383. Finite Element Methods in Civil Engineering. 3 Hours.
An understanding of the fundamentals of the finite element method and its application to structural configurations too complicated to be analyzed without computer applications. Application to other areas of civil engineering analysis and design such as soil mechanics, foundations, fluid flow, and flow through porous media. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CPEG 5393. Advanced Strength of Materials. 3 Hours.
The course will continue from the basic material addressed in the undergraduate course and investigate in more detail stress analysis as it pertains to civil engineering type problems. Topics addressed in the course will include stress analysis (two-dimensional), constitutive relationships, solutions for two-dimensional problems, flexure, torsion, beams on elastic foundations, and energy methods. Prerequisite: CPEG 2015 or MEEG 3013 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5403. Advanced Reinforced Concrete II. 3 Hours.
Design of circular and rectangular reinforced concrete tanks for fluid and granular loads. Prerequisite: CPEG 4303 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5413. Transportation and Land Development. 3 Hours.
Study of interaction between land development and the transportation network. Application of planning, design, and operational techniques to manage land development impacts upon the transportation system, and to integrate land layout with transportation network layout. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CPEG 5423. Structural Design of Pavement Systems. 3 Hours.
An introduction to the structural design of pavement systems including: survey of current design procedures; study of rigid pavement jointing and reinforcement practices; examination of the behavioral characteristics of pavement materials and of rigid and flexible pavement systems; introduction to structural analysis theories and to pavement management concepts. Prerequisite: CPEG 4433 with a grade of C or better.

CPEG 5433. Traffic Engineering. 3 Hours.
A study of both the underlying theory and the use of traffic control devices (signs, traffic signals, pavement markings), and relationships to improved traffic flow and safety, driver and vehicle characteristics, geometric design, and societal concerns. Also includes methods to collect, analyze, and use traffic data. Prerequisite: CPEG 3413 with a grade of C or better or graduate standing.