Construction Management (CMGT)

Courses

CMGT 4110 Preconstruction Integration and Planning (4 Credits)
This course examines the role of preconstruction services, team integration, and joint design planning in various Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) approaches. Various tools and techniques associated with preconstruction services and design planning from the proposal stage through the design stages of a project are considered.

CMGT 4120 Construction Planning and Scheduling (4 Credits)
Understanding and applying scheduling and control to construction projects is essential to successful construction management. Project scheduling emphasizes network-based schedules, such as critical path management (CPM), network calculations, critical paths, resource scheduling, probabilistic scheduling and computer applications. Project control focuses on goals, flow of information, time and cost control, and change management. Prerequisite: CMGT 4410.

CMGT 4155 Sustainable Development/LEED (4 Credits)
The course includes many case studies of historic and contemporary structures exemplifying various sustainability features. Emphasis is placed on how LEED project certification influences the overall construction project. Topics include LEED certification techniques for sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, innovation and design. The following topics are covered from a LEED perspective: ventilation, air conditioning, heating, electrical lighting, energy efficiency, and building control systems. The student studies and analyzes how management and LEED techniques are applied to current construction projects.

CMGT 4177 Environmental Systems and MEP Coordination (4 Credits)
A study of electrical and mechanical systems used in the construction of buildings. Course content includes system design, component selection and utilization for energy conservation, cost estimating or systems, coordination and management of installation. Specific systems included are electrical, air conditioning, heating, ventilation and plumbing, fire protection, life safety, communication, power systems and lighting. The course also considers coordination of MEP systems and explores emerging technology and environmental issues related to mechanical and electrical systems in buildings. Cross listed with CMGT 3177 and XRCM 4177.

CMGT 4180 Construction Layout/Surveying (4 Credits)
Designed to provide the student with the theory, principles and techniques of construction layout and surveying. Includes field procedures in fundamental land surveying as well as site and foundation layout. Cross listed with CMGT 3180.

CMGT 4200 Lean Construction Project Management (4 Credits)
This advanced course focuses on cutting edge lean tools and other productive strategies for the management of people and processes in the construction industry. The tools and strategies presented draw on the very successful Toyota Production System adapted to the construction industry. Lean construction methodologies such as the Last Planner System, the Lean Project Delivery System, and Integrated Project Delivery are discussed. Topics also include sustainability and the emerging interest in “green construction,” as well as the use of Building Information Modeling to enhance the development and management of integrated projects. This course also looks at the human element in relation to motivation, safety, and environmental stresses. A number of case studies are presented to highlight best practices in Lean Construction Project Management.

CMGT 4230 Design Management and Schedule Control (4 Credits)
This course examines the various strategies and techniques associated with managing the design delivery process to align with the construction budget and schedule needs in an integrated fashion. Design planning, scheduling, and resource allocation are considered along with design value determination and management of the design-construct interfaces. Constructability, value engineering, design performance.

CMGT 4250 Construction Contract Administration (4 Credits)
This course addresses how a successful construction project is managed and administered from design through construction to closeout. Emphasis will focus on how to unite the key stakeholders (contractors, architects, engineers, etc.) to provide them with a workable system for operating as an effective project team. The latest technology, laws and regulations associated with contract administration will be presented. Topics pertinent to each stage of a project are introduced and discussed as they occur throughout the life of the project. Numerous real-world examples will be utilized throughout the course. Various electronic project administration tools and techniques will be demonstrated including Building Information Modeling.

CMGT 4310 Cost Modeling and Trend Management (4 Credits)
This course covers various approaches to construction cost estimating at the conceptual stages of planning and design through detailed construction. Students learn parametric estimating techniques and how they are applied to construct and predict reliable budgets at the earliest stages of design. Students build cost models and refine those models with greater detail as design develops through a project. Building information modeling is introduced and used to create massing models to demonstrate design impacts on project costs. Cost trending techniques are presented to manage, monitor and document project performance relative to cost.
CMGT 4320 Architectural Planning and Design Management (4 Credits)
This course introduces students to the significant value that architecture brings to real estate and the built environment and the various services and professions associated with it. Students will be introduced to principles, protocols and the planning process related to the design function and the link between the architect's vision and the finished physical structure. Students will be introduced to design, thinking, theory and application. Student will learn to read and interpret the various graphical and written construction documents as well as know how they are developed and what information they contain. Architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing and civil drawings and specifications are covered. The business model for design services will be explored as well as the unique risks and challenges associated with managing the design throughout the various stages of development and construction.

CMGT 4401 Residential Practicum I (4 Credits)
A three course sequence designed to emphasize the practical application of the theories and concepts of residential development. The courses provide a capstone experience for seniors. Students are expected to apply their knowledge of general business, real estate and construction management practices by forming a student business entity, acquiring land, building and selling a residential property. Students will apply accounting, finance, marketing, real estate and construction management techniques in the development of a single family residence. Cross listed with CMGT 3401.

CMGT 4410 Construction Building Systems (4 Credits)
A survey of residential and commercial construction materials, means, and methods associated with the various structural and architectural systems used to design and construct buildings. Project plans and specifications are incorporated to teach the basic sequencing and overall construction process. The influence of sustainability in construction is introduced.

CMGT 4420 Construction Estimating (4 Credits)
Integrated approach addressing construction accounting, estimating, purchasing, and management reporting systems. Cross listed with CMGT 3100, XRCM 4420. Prerequisite: CMGT 4400 or permission of instructor.

CMGT 4438 Legal Issues & Risk Management (4 Credits)
General contract and real estate law, including property rights, title concepts, deeds, purchase contracts, law of agency, environmental issues and disclosures, basics finance concerns, tax law, landlord-tenant law, construction contracts, indemnity agreements, rights and remedies of property owners, contractors and subcontractors issues, and various areas of liability for real estate practitioners and property owners.

CMGT 4480 Const Project Management (4 Credits)
Principles and techniques of construction project management, use of systems analysis, internal and external procedures, planning, programming, budgeting and staffing, controlling major projects, emphasis on construction scheduling techniques with case application. Cross listed with CMGT 3120.

CMGT 4490 Residential Development (4 Credits)
A seminar-style capstone course that integrates various aspects of the construction management curriculum. Emphasis is on topics in the construction and development industries. Cross listed with CMGT 3190. Prerequisite: CMGT 4410.

CMGT 4560 Relational Contracting and Risk Mitigation (4 Credits)
Relational contracting is a construction project delivery framework for multidisciplinary, integrated projects that focuses on aligned goals, high performance, innovation, mutual respect, open communication and a "no blame" culture between Client, Contractor, and Design Team. This approach to contracting, also known as Alliance Contracting, is becoming more prevalent in the United States and is often applied when using integrated project delivery systems. This course compares and contrasts transactional contracting methods with relational contracting methods and the influences on the project team and projects outcomes. Relational contracting is also considered in the context of risk mitigation and project optimization.

CMGT 4580 Integrated Teaming and Project Leadership (4 Credits)
This course examines the unique leadership skills and talents associated with leading and facilitating multidisciplinary, integrated design and construction teams. The focus of the course is on applying strategic intelligence and a system of leadership in the development of integrated solutions for the built environment. This leadership model is driven by a compelling purpose and supported by people who share practical values and have excellent processes, to look into the future, create a vision, and bring that vision to reality. Effective strategies for supporting high performance teams are explored.

CMGT 4700 Topics in Construction Mgmt (1-4 Credits)
CMGT 4980 Construction Mgmt Internship (0-8 Credits)
CMGT 4991 Independent Study (1-10 Credits)
CMGT 4992 Directed Study (1-10 Credits)
CMGT 4995 Independent Research (1-10 Credits)