CONS 70A Course Outline as of Fall 2012

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: CONS 70A Title: INTRO TO PROJ ORG & MGT

Full Title: Introduction to Project Organization and Management

Last Reviewed: 10/8/2018

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	1.50	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	26.25
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	0	8	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	1.50		Contact Total	26.25
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 52.50 Total Student Learning Hours: 78.75

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: CONS 70

Catalog Description:

Introduction to organization and management of construction projects, including principles of contracts, estimating, bidding and scheduling. Project management cycle and responsibilities of participants explained.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

The students will:

- 1. Analyze the construction project cycle.
- 2. Document the roles of participants in the project process.
- 3. Describe the responsibilities of the construction manager.
- 4. Interpret and write a simple contract.
- 5. Interpret construction documents, including contract general conditions.
- 6. Correctly utilize construction terminology.

Topics and Scope:

- 1. Introduction to the design and construction process
 - a. Roles and responsibilities of owner and architect during design
- b. Roles and responsibilities of owner, contractor, subcontractor, architect and construction manager during construction
- c.California construction industry organization
- d.Sustainability issues
- 2. The construction project cycle
 - a. Overview
- b.Stages in the process
- c.Documentation of the process
- 3. Contract documents: Working drawings, specifications and regulatory authority documentation
- a. Contents and interpretation
- b. Retrieving information
- c. Using working drawings
- d.Adenda
- 4. Contracts
- a. Elements of a contract
- b. Types of construction contracts: Stipulated sum contracts, cost-plus-fee contracts, unit price

contracts and contracts with quantities

- c.General Conditions of a contract
- d.Supplemental Conditions of a contract
- e.Subcontracts and supply contracts
- 5. Bonding and insurance
- a. Types of bonds and insurance
- b. Owner and contractor responsibilities
- 6. The bid process: competitive and negotiated
- a. Types of bidding
- b.Examination of contract documents
- c.Role of the quantity survey and the estimate
- d. Preparing for bidding or negotiating
- e. Bid selection
- f.Pre-construction planning and scheduling
- 7.Building the project
- a.Roles and responsibilities of owner, contractor, subcontractor, architect and construction manager
- b. Types of schedules: time, labor, materials, money
- c.Site management
- d.Building inspection
- e.Project closeout procedures
- 8. Typical Construction Reports
- a. Change Orders and contract extras
- b. Construction costs
- c. Common construction claims and their documentation
- 9. Dispute resolution options
- a.Arbitration
- b.Mediation
- c.Legal actions

Assignment:

- 1. Read 20-30 pages of text per week
- 2. Written homework assignments involving analysis and synthesis of course material (6-10)
- 3. Research and prepare one simple contract
- 4. Research paper (3-5 pages)
- 5. Quizzes (2-3)
- 6. Final exam or final project and presentation

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, research paper, simple contract, final project - if any

Writing 40 - 60%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

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Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Exams: Multiple choice, true/false, matching items, completion, may include essay questions

Exams 40 - 60%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Class participation and presentation of final project - if any

Other Category 0 - 20%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Dykstra: Construction Project Management: A Complete Introduction; Kirschner Publishing, 2011

Gould, Managing the Construction Process. Prentice Hall, 1997 (classic) Instructor prepared materials