

**CEST 51 Course Outline as of Fall 2023****CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: CEST 51 Title: CIVIL DRAFTING TECH

Full Title: Civil Drafting Technology

Last Reviewed: 10/24/2022

Units	Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks		Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	35.00
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	6	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	5.00		Contact Total	87.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 70.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

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: CET 51

**Catalog Description:**

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**Prerequisites/Corequisites:****Recommended Preparation:**

Course Completion or Concurrent Enrollment in SURV 60

**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:**

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Apply manual drafting concepts and skills to create 2D construction drawings for the 3D environment.
2. Produce CADD projects that employ geometric construction/editing, orthographic projection, layering, dimensioning, and text annotation utilizing the AutoCAD software.
3. Prepare basic civil engineering drawings and maps utilizing the AutoCAD Civil 3D software.
4. Prepare and interpret basic plats, maps and legal descriptions of properties.

**Objectives:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Properly select and utilize drafting equipment in the production of manual drafting projects.
2. Produce consistent linework and legible lettering in manual drafting projects.
3. Graphically execute geometric constructions in assigned manual drafting projects.
4. Develop orthographic and isometric drawings in completing manual drafting projects.
5. Utilize dimensioning conventions appropriately in a manual drafting project.
6. Demonstrate knowledge of AutoCAD file management, commands, and drawing environments.
7. Generate and edit geometric constructions, projections, dimensioning, and text annotations.
8. Demonstrate proficiency using AutoCAD blocks.
9. Demonstrate proficiency creating/managing layers and line types.
10. Effectively control printing/plotting of AutoCAD drawing files.
11. Implement theory of graphical representation in the production of drawings, maps, and plats used in civil, surveying, and land development.
12. Identify the types of drawings, maps, and plats used in civil, surveying, and land development.
13. Summarize and identify the proper scales, symbols, and conventions for the types of drawings, maps, and plats used in civil, surveying, and land development.

## Topics and Scope:

### Lecture-Related Topics and Scope

#### I. Introduction to Basic Manual Drafting

- A. Introduction to contemporary drafting
- B. Drafting equipment and supplies
- C. Drafting conventions and formats
- D. Geometric construction
- E. Views and perspectives
- F. Dimensioning conventions

#### II. Introduction to Computer-Aided Drafting and Design (CADD)

- A. CADD drawing environment and drawing tools
- B. Geometric construction and positioning tools
- C. Geometric constructions
- D. Multi-view drawings
- E. Plotting

#### III. Introduction to Civil Drafting Theory

- A. Graphical representation in civil engineering, surveying, and land development projects
- B. Types of maps and drawings
- C. Surveying measurements in civil drafting
- D. Contour lines
  - 1. Data sources
  - 2. Construction methods
- E. Profiles and cross sections
  - 1. Data sources
  - 2. Construction methods
- F. Roadway layout
  - 1. Tangent curve geometry
  - 2. Horizontal curve types - simple, compound, and reverse
  - 3. Vertical curve types - sag and crest
  - 4. layout and stationing
- G. Earthwork
  - 1. Cross sections
  - 2. Volume calculations
- H. Legal descriptions and plats
  - 1. Types of legal descriptions
  - 2. Plotting legal descriptions and plats

### Laboratory-Related Topics and Scope

#### I. Introduction to Basic Manual Drafting

- A. Introduction to contemporary drafting
- B. Use of drafting equipment and supplies
- C. Drafting conventions and formats
  - 1. Linework
  - 2. Lettering
  - 3. Drawing formats
- D. Geometric construction
- E. Multi-view orthographic projection
- F. Isometric drawing
- G. Dimensioning conventions

#### II. Introduction to CADD

- A. Introduction to the computer as a drafting/design tool with emphasis on hardware and software
- B. Accessing AutoCAD commands via ribbons, pull-down menus, toolbars, and keyboard
- C. Setting up the drawing environment
- D. Geometric construction and positioning tools
- E. Geometric constructions
- F. Multi-view drawings
- G. Plotting

### III. Introduction to Civil Drafting Technology

- A. Theory of graphical representation in civil engineering, surveying, and development projects
  - 1. Scale
  - 2. Symbols
  - 3. Convention
  - 4. Orientation
- B. Types of maps and drawings used in civil engineering
  - 1. Mapping requirements
  - 2. Civil drafting techniques
  - 3. Mapping scales and symbols
  - 4. Graphic scales
  - 5. Written scales
  - 6. Civil engineering symbols, line types, and text types
- C. Surveying fundamentals in civil drafting
  - 1. Earth's geometry
  - 2. Elevation, angular, and distance measurements
- D. Location and direction of lines
  - 1. By local (assumed) coordinates
  - 2. By state plane coordinates
- E. Contour lines
  - 1. From field data
  - 2. From polylines
  - 3. Building a surface
- F. Profiles and cross sections
  - 1. From a surface
  - 2. From a file
  - 3. From field notes
- G. Roadway layout
  - 1. Tangent curve geometry
  - 2. Horizontal curves - simple, compound, and reverse
  - 3. Vertical curves - sag and crest
  - 4. Layout
  - 5. Stationing
- H. Earthwork
  - 1. Cross sections
  - 2. Volume calculations by average end method
- I. Legal descriptions and plats
  - 1. Types of legal descriptions
  - 2. Plotting basic legal descriptions and plats

### **Assignment:**

### Lecture-Related Assignments

1. Textbook readings (1-2 chapters per week)
2. Civil and surveying homework problem sets (2-6)
3. Quizzes (2-4)
4. Exams (2)
5. Final exam

**Lab-Related Assignments**

1. Lab handout readings (2-10 pages per week)
2. Manual drafting and CADD drawing assignments (8-12)
3. Civil 3D mapping projects (2-5)
4. Quizzes (2-5)

**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.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because problem solving assessments and skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing  
0 - 0%

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

Civil and surveying homework problem sets

Problem solving  
15 - 25%

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

Manual drafting and CADD drawing assignments; Civil 3D mapping projects

Skill Demonstrations  
40 - 55%

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

Exams; quizzes; final

Exams  
25 - 35%

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

Class participation

Other Category  
5 - 10%

**Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

- Exploring Drafting. 13th ed. Walker, John, Mathis, Bernard and Scribner, Shauna. Goodhart-Wilcox. 2023
- Civil Drafting Technology. 8th ed. Madsen, David P., Madsen, David A. and Shumaker, Terence. Pearson. 2017 (classic)

AutoCAD Civil 3D 2016 Essentials. Chappell, Eric. Wiley. 2015 (classic)

Civil 3D 2022 Fundamentals. SDC Publications. 2021

Instructor prepared materials