CVEN4301

Advanced Concrete Structures

Term 2, 2023
Course Overview

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Course Details

Units of Credit 6

Summary of the Course

A course on the advanced analysis and design of concrete structures for students looking towards a career in Structural Engineering. The course deals with the design and behaviour of the following fundamental aspects for reinforced and prestressed concrete member design: one-way and two-way concrete slabs (including the direct design, equivalent frame and simplified strip methods); retaining walls, strip, pad and pile footings; and determinant prestressed concrete members. Additional topics may be drawn from the following: design for torsion, detailing; ductility; preliminary sizing of members and frames; design with high strength and fibre reinforced concretes.

Course Aims

The aim of this elective course is to provide final year students with a more advanced coverage of various topics relating to the design of concrete structures. The course is targeted at students who wish to specialize in Structural Engineering and are planning a career in structural design. The course will build on and reinforce the material covered in the core structural engineering courses.

During this course students will be supported in polishing the core skills, qualities and understandings developed in previous courses and the hone their structural engineering skills associated with their role as a future Civil Engineer.

Course Learning Outcomes

After successfully completing this course, you should be able to:

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<th>Learning Outcome</th>
<th>EA Stage 1 Competencies</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Design Reinforced Concrete (RC) structures with two-way actions utilizing AS 3600 and AS 1170</td>
<td>PE1.1, PE2.1, PE2.2</td>
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<td>2. Describe and apply RC design principles to the design of members subjected to ultimate limit states of flexure, shear, and punching shear.</td>
<td>PE1.1, PE1.5, PE2.3</td>
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<td>3. Examine structural design requirements, specifications, documents, and drawings and utilize them appropriately in design</td>
<td>PE1.2, PE1.3, PE2.2</td>
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<td>4. Explain the limit state design concepts, specifically recognising the difference between strength and serviceability limit states</td>
<td>PE1.1, PE2.1, PE2.3</td>
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<td>5. Analyse short and long-term deflection effects of RC structures and deflection control</td>
<td>PE1.1, PE1.3, PE1.5</td>
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Teaching Strategies
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Private Study

Review lecture material and textbook

Do set problems and assignments

Join Moodle discussions of problems

Reflect on class problems, assignments, quizzes and extra solved examples provided

Download materials from Moodle

Keep up with notices and find out marks via Moodle

Lectures

Find out what you must learn

See methods that are not in the textbook

Follow worked examples

Hear announcements on course changes

Workshops

Be guided by demonstrators

Practice solving set problems

Ask questions

Assessments (assignments and quizzes)

Demonstrate your understanding of the fundamentals of structural design

Demonstrate your knowledge and skills in design of reinforced and pre-stressed concrete structures

Demonstrate higher understanding and problem solving

The main objective of this course is to provide opportunities for students to

- reinforce their knowledge of structural engineering
- further develop and advance skills in structural design
- reinforce their understanding of the philosophy of design and link design and analysis
- develop the ability for analytical and independent critical thinking
- develop skills related to lifelong learning, such as self-reflection (ability to apply theory to practice in familiar and unfamiliar situations); and
- acquire the skills for effective collaboration and teamwork
Additional Course Information

Prerequisites

CVEN3301 OR CVEN2303, CVEN3304 OR CVEN3302

This course will continue with and will build on the concepts introduced in Structural Analysis and Modelling (CVEN3301 OR CVEN2303), Concrete Structures (CVEN3304) OR Structural Behaviour and Design (CVEN3302).
Assessment

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<td>1. Online Short Answer Quiz</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>23/06/2023 07:10 PM</td>
<td>3, 4, 5</td>
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<td>2. Assignment 1</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>3. Assignment 2</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>4. Final Exam</td>
<td>60%</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
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Assessment 1: Online Short Answer Quiz

Start date: 23/06/2023 06:00 PM  
Assessment length: 70 minutes  
Due date: 23/06/2023 07:10 PM

The main objective of this individual assignment is it to encourage students to engage with the subject content as soon as possible and develop an understanding about principles of simplified and advanced methods in design of RC structures.

Assessment 2: Assignment 1 (Group)

Start date: 25/06/2023 06:00 PM  
Due date: 14/07/2023 08:00 PM

The main objective of this group assessment is to provide opportunities for students to reinforce their knowledge and understanding of advanced reinforced concrete design with emphasis on deflection control of slabs under service load and practical design of slabs under ultimate conditions according to AS3600-2018 provisions.

Assessment 3: Assignment 2

Start date: 16/07/2023 06:00 PM  
Due date: 01/08/2023 08:00 PM

The main objective of this individual assignment is to provide opportunities for students to reinforce their knowledge about principles of prestressed/post-tensioned concrete (PC) design.

Assessment 4: Final Exam

2 hr 10 minutes final exam covering all the contents

Hurdle requirement

Example: A mark of at least 40% in the final examination is required before the class work is included in the final mark.
Additional details

Note: Please refer to final exam timetable to be released by school
## Attendance Requirements

For courses with Workshops and/or Labs, attendance for those classes is a necessary part of the course. You must attend at least 80% of the workshop/lab in which you are enrolled for the duration of the session.

## Course Schedule

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<tr>
<td>30/05</td>
<td>Introduction to slabs &amp; limit states design of slabs and deflection control</td>
<td>Slabs &amp; floor systems, introduction, stress resultants, methods of analysis, design requirements, one-way vs two-way slab, deemed to comply</td>
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<td>06/06</td>
<td>One- and two-way slabs, time effect, deflection and one-way and two-way crack control, two-way slabs supported on edges (Part 1)</td>
<td>Analysis and design of one-way and two-way slabs, effective second moment of area, modulus ratio - <em>RCB Chap 4</em></td>
<td>Deemed to comply deflection control of slabs.</td>
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<td>13/06</td>
<td>One- and two-way slabs, time effect and crack control, two-way slabs supported on edges (Part 2)</td>
<td>Analysis and design of one-way and two-way slabs, time effect, crack control and simplified method (coefficient method) for analysis of two-way slabs</td>
<td>Short-term deflection calculations using simplified method</td>
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<td>20/06</td>
<td>Flat slabs (Part 1)</td>
<td>Flat plates and flat slab design (Part 1): direct design (simplified) method - <em>RCB Chap 4</em></td>
<td>Revisiting flexural strength limit state design</td>
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<td>27/06</td>
<td>Flat slabs (Part 2) and Punching shear</td>
<td>Flat plates and flat slab design (Part 2): equivalent frame method - <em>RCB Chap 4</em></td>
<td>Analysis and design of slabs using direct design method</td>
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Punching shear

04/07  *Week 6*

Flexibility week for all courses (non-teaching)

11/07  *Week 7*

Footings  Analysis and design of footings - *RCB Chap 8*

Analysis and design of flat slabs using equivalent frame method

Punching strength of flat slabs

18/07  *Week 8*

Retaining walls  Analysis and design of retaining walls

Analysis & design of strap footing

Analysis & design of combined footing;

25/07  *Week 9*

Introduction to prestressed concrete members  Introduction to prestressed concrete members; properties of materials; Elastic Stress Analysis due to Prestress; moment of prestressed concrete Load Balancing - *PC Chap 1 & 2*

Cracking bending

01/08  *Week 10*

Ultimate states of prestressed members  Prestressed Concrete Beams - Design for flexure/bending moment & shear - *PC Chap 5,6 & 7*

Ultimate bending moment & shear strength of prestressed members

**View class timetable**

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<td>Week 7: 10 July - 14 July</td>
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<td>Week 10: 31 July - 4 August</td>
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Resources

Prescribed Resources

Textbooks


Additional Reading


Access to Australian Standards:

Australian Standards may be accessed through the UNSW Library as follows:

1. Go to the UNSW library home page at:  http://www.library.unsw.edu.au/
2. Click on the “Database”
3. Search for and Click on the “Australian Standards: SAI Global”
4. You need to enter your UNSW student ID and password
5. Enter the Standard desired (for example enter 3600 to search for AS3600) into the search field.
Submission of Assessment Tasks

Please refer to the Moodle page of the course for further guidance on assessment submission.

UNSW has a standard late submission penalty of:

- 5% per day, for all assessments where a penalty applies, capped at five days (120 hours), after which a student cannot submit an assessment, and no permitted variation.
Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Beware! An assignment that includes plagiarised material will receive a 0 fail, and students who plagiarise may fail the course. Students who plagiarise are also liable to disciplinary action, including exclusion from enrolment.

Plagiarism is the use of another person’s work or ideas as if they were your own. When it is necessary or desirable to use other people’s material you should adequately acknowledge whose words or ideas they are and where you found them (giving the complete reference details, including page number(s)). The Learning Centre provides further information on what constitutes Plagiarism at:

https://student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism
Academic Information

Final Examinations:

Final Exams in T2 2023 will be held on campus between Friday 11th and Thursday 24th August (inclusive), and Supplementary Exams between Monday 4th and Friday 8th September (inclusive). You are required to be available on these dates. Please do not to make any personal or travel arrangements during this period.

For students enrolled in the distance offering of a postgraduate course, and who reside further than 100km from UNSW Kensington campus, will be contacted regarding sitting an external exam. The school's External Exam Policy can be found on the Intranet.

ACADEMIC ADVICE

- Key Staff to Contact for Academic Advice (log in with your zID and password): [https://intranet.civeng.unsw.edu.au/key-staff-to-contact-during-your-studies-at-unsw](https://intranet.civeng.unsw.edu.au/key-staff-to-contact-during-your-studies-at-unsw)
- Key UNSW Dates - eg. Census Date, exam dates, last day to drop a course without academic/financial liability etc.
- CVEN Student Intranet (log in with your zID and password): [https://intranet.civeng.unsw.edu.au/student-intranet](https://intranet.civeng.unsw.edu.au/student-intranet)
- Student Life at CVEN, including Student Societies: [https://www.unsw.edu.au/engineering/civil-and-environmental-engineering/student-life](https://www.unsw.edu.au/engineering/civil-and-environmental-engineering/student-life)
- Special Consideration: [https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration](https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration)
- General and Program-Specific Questions: The Nucleus: Student Hub
- Book an Academic Advising session: [https://unswengacademicadvising.as.me/schedule.php](https://unswengacademicadvising.as.me/schedule.php)

Disclaimer

This course outline sets out description of classes at the date the Course Outline is published. The nature of classes may change during the Term after the Course Outline is published. Moodle should be consulted for the up to date class descriptions. If there is any inconsistency in the description of activities between the University timetable and the Course Outline (as updated in Moodle), the description in the Course Outline/Moodle applies.

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## Appendix: Engineers Australia (EA) Professional Engineer Competency Standard

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<td>PE1.2 Conceptual understanding of the mathematics, numerical analysis, statistics, and computer and information sciences which underpin the engineering discipline</td>
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<td>PE1.6 Understanding of the scope, principles, norms, accountabilities and bounds of sustainable engineering practice in the specific discipline</td>
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<td><strong>Engineering application ability</strong></td>
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<td>PE2.1 Application of established engineering methods to complex engineering problem solving</td>
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<td>PE2.2 Fluent application of engineering techniques, tools and resources</td>
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<td>PE3.2 Effective oral and written communication in professional and lay domains</td>
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