

Course	CE 401 – Civil Engineering Profession and Practice
Type of Course	Required for Civil Engineering Program
Catalog Description	This course introduces students to civil engineering career options of practice and/or pursuing graduate studies. The course provides information on duties, responsibilities, challenges, and opportunities in civil engineering subdisciplines. It also highlights the importance of professional registration and membership in professional societies; requirements for graduate studies and the need for life-long learning, and the role of civil engineers in addressing contemporary engineering related issues such as sustainability and global warming.
Credits	1
Contact Hours	1
Prerequisite Courses	Junior standing or permission of the instructor
Corequisite Courses	None
Prerequisites by Topics	None
Textbook	None
Supplemental Materials	Handouts provided by instructor
Course Objectives	The goal of this course is to develop an understanding of various civil engineering career tracks upon graduation, to be familiar with responsibilities and duties of professional subdisciplines within civil engineering, to be aware of the civil engineer responsibilities in solving local and global problems, to improve technical and non-technical communications skills, and to understand the role of civil engineers in the society.
Course Outcomes	Students who successfully complete this course will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Understand career options after graduation. [7]2. Be familiar with professional societies such as ASCE and its impact [7]

3. Ability to communicate technical issues to professional and public. [3]
4. Familiar with civil engineering contemporary issues. [2]
5. Understand the engineering ethical issue and requirement for professional licensure. [4]

Lecture Topics

1. Career options: search for a job and/or pursue graduate studies?
2. Civil engineering career
 - a. Public versus private sectors
 - b. Duties, challenges, and opportunities in CE subdisciplines
3. Graduate schools and life-long learning
4. Professional societies role and impact
5. Engineering technical communication
6. Communication with public
7. Selected contemporary issues such as Infrastructure, Global Warming/Environment/Energy Issues, Sustainability and Green Technologies
8. Engineering ethics/law/legal issues
9. FE and PE exam requirements and procedures

Computer Usage

Medium

Laboratory Experience

None

Design Experience

None

Coordinator

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