





The University of Hong Kong
Department of Civil Engineering
Guidelines for Course Enrollment
2023-24



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Academic Advisory Committee



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Online Course Selection

(<http://aao.hku.hk/sy3/plan-of-study/important-academic-dates/>)



Date & Time	Action
<u><i>A. First Semester (2023)</i></u>	
24 Jul (Mon) 10 am	System open to preview available courses
2 Aug (Wed): 10 am –Yr. 4 or above 12 pm –Yr. 3 2 pm –Yr. 2	Course selection available for students
3 Aug (Thu) 9 am - 2:30 pm	Suspension period
8 Aug (Tue) 4 pm	System closed
After 8 Aug (Tue) 4 pm	Students will not be allowed to make any changes to their course selection until the add/drop period.

Note: Students can enroll the second semester courses **10 MINUTES LATER.**

Date & Time	Action
<u><i>A. First Semester (2023) – Cont'</i></u>	
31 Aug (Thu): 12 pm – Yr. 2 2 pm – Yr. 3 4 pm – Yr. 4 or above	Add/drop period starts.
1 Sep (Fri) 12 pm – 5 pm	Suspension period
14 Sep (Thu) 4 pm	System closed. Add/drop period ends.
After 14 Sep (Thu) 4 pm	Students will not be allowed to make any changes to their course selection.

Note: Students can enroll the second semester courses in the first semester add/drop period.

Date & Time	Action
<u>B. Second Semester (2024)</u>	
15 Jan (Mon): 12 pm – Yr. 2 2 pm – Yr. 3 4 pm – Yr. 4 or above	Add/drop period starts.
16 Jan (Tue) 12 pm – 5 pm	Suspension period
29 Jan (Mon) 4 pm	System closed. Add/drop period ends.
After 29 Jan (Mon) 4 pm	Students will not be allowed to make any changes to their course selection.

Note: Students can enroll the summer semester courses in the second semester add/drop period.

Date & Time	Action
<u>C. Summer Semester (2024)</u>	
11 Jun (Tue) 10 am	Add/drop period starts.
12 Jun (Wed) 12 pm – 5 pm	Suspension period
18 Jun (Tue) 4 pm	System closed. Add/drop period ends.
After 18 Jun (Tue) 4 pm	Students will not be allowed to make any changes to their course selection.

Enrollment Information



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NOTE

- Softcopy of Course Enrollment Information Sheet:

http://www.civil.hku.hk/civil_internet/index.html

- Under B. Eng. → Enrollment

- The above sheet is for information only, students are required to *do the course enrollment ONLINE.*

1. Students shall normally select not less than 30 and not more than 36 credit-units of courses in each semester, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty (via the Department).
2. Subjected to having a satisfactory academic progress, students may be allowed to take more credit-units. Anyhow, the maximum credit-units of courses in each semester should not exceed the following limits.

Programme	Year 1 - 4
CivE	36 credit-units
CivE w/Minor, CivE-BBA	36 credit-units

3. Students who have overloaded in preceding semesters will be allowed to reduce the load by up to the equivalent numbers of credit-units they have passed in excess of the normal load in a subsequent semester without having to seek prior approval.
4. Students are not allowed to take any courses with timetable clashes. Please check with the timetable before entering data in the online enrolment system.
5. Students are required to check with any pre-requisite requirements for the courses to be enrolled.

Course Code	Course Title	Pre-requisite
CIVE2101	Water and air quality: concepts and measurement	CIVL1105
CIVL2103	Engineering mechanics and materials	ENGG1300
CIVL2103	Fluid mechanics	ENGG1350
CIVL2104	Hydraulics and hydrology	CIVL2103
CIVL2106	Soil mechanics	CIVL1113
CIVL2112	Structural analysis	CIVL1113
CIVL2113	Structural design	CIVL2112
CIVL3106	Engineering hydraulics	CIVL2104
CIVL3107	Environmental impact assessment of civil engineering projects	CIVL1105 and CIVL2103
CIVL3108	Foundation engineering	CIVL2102 and CIVL2106
CIVL3111	Wastewater treatment	CIVL1105 and CIVL2103
CIVL3112	Prestressed concrete structures	CIVL2113
CIVL3114	Slope engineering	CIVL2102 and CIVL2106
CIVL3116	Steel structures	CIVL2113
CIVL3120	Transportation infrastructures engineering	CIVL2111
CIVL3121	Water resources engineering	CIVL1105 and CIVL2103
CIVL3122	Wind engineering	CIVL2103
CIVL3126	Engineering practice in Mainland China	CIVL2113
CIVL3128	Structural dynamics and earthquake engineering	CIVL2113
CIVL3129	Numerical analysis in geotechnical engineering	CIVL2106
CIVL3130	Structural fire engineering	CIVL2113
CIVL3131	Earth retaining system	CIVL2106
CIVL3132	Geotechnical testing, instrumentation and monitoring	CIVL2106
CIVL3133	Ground improvement	CIVL2106
CIVL3134	Environmental geotechnology	CIVL2106
CIVL3135	Advanced structural analysis	CIVL2112
CIVL3138	Advanced theory and design of structures	CIVL2113
CIVL3139	Building information modelling (BIM) management for civil engineering	CIVL1115

6. New Year 1 students are not encouraged to take any Advanced Core Courses, Capstone Experience Course or Discipline Elective Courses specified in Sections 2B, 2C, 3A, and 3B.

- **Maximum** study load = **36 credits** in **one semester**; **AND**
- **Maximum** study load = **72 credits** in **one academic year**, including summer semester (according to UG4: <https://www4.hku.hk/pubunit/drcd/files/ugdr2021-22/first-degree.pdf>)
- **Unused credits** shall **NOT** be **carried forward** to the next semester, i.e. Sem. 1 = 30 and Sem. 2 = 42 is **NOT** acceptable.
- **Minimum** study load = **24 credits** per **semester** (except summer semester and in the last semester of study when the number of outstanding credits required to complete the curriculum requirements is fewer than 24 credits.)
- For **retaking courses**, the credits will be counted and the above rules **MUST** be satisfied.
i.e. If you need to retake a 6-credit course, you can just take 30 credits of new courses (~ 5 courses of 6 credits each) in one semester.

- For students who are admitted **in and after** 2018-19, note the change of credits in
 - CIVL2114 Internship – **0 credits**
- CIVL4101 Capstone Design Project and CIVL4102 Project are full-year courses. The course loading is spread evenly between the 2 semesters, i.e.
 - Semester 1: CIVL4101 – 3 credits & CIVL4102 – 6 credits
 - Semester 2: CIVL4101 – 3 credits & CIVL4102 – 6 credits

- Students who are admitted **before** 2018-19 **MUST** reserve **6 credits** for CIVL2109 Internship in summer semester.

e.g. 1st Sem.: **30** credits, 2nd Sem.: **36** credits, Summer Sem.: **6** credits; **OR**

1st Sem.: **36** credits, 2nd Sem.: **30** credits, Summer Sem.: **6** credits; **OR**

1st Sem.: **33** credits, 2nd Sem.: **33** credits, Summer Sem.: **6** credits

Note: *If total credits of 1st & 2nd semesters exceed 72, students are **NOT** allowed to take Internship in the same academic year.*

→ graduate later & delay the Chartership Exam!

- The Department may cancel the sub-class/elective course if the class size is too small. You will be informed of the change of sub-class by email if your originally enrolled sub-class is cancelled. Please take note of this especially for courses with laboratory sessions.

Graduation Criteria



Syllabus

Examples of structured programmes are available here:

<http://engg.hku.hk/home/syllabuses.htm>

CIVIL ENGINEERING

SYLLABUS

The syllabus applies to students admitted in the academic year 2018-19 and thereafter under the four-year curriculum.

Curriculum

The Curriculum comprises 240 credits of courses as follows:

Engineering Core Courses

Students are required to complete at least 42 credits of Engineering Core Courses.

Discipline Core Courses

Students are required to complete ALL discipline core courses (78 credits), comprising 24 credits of introductory core courses and 54 credits of advanced core courses.

Discipline Elective Courses

Students are required to complete at least 36 credits of advanced discipline elective courses offered by the Department of Civil Engineering.

Elective Courses

Students are required to complete 18 credits of elective course(s) offered by either the Department of Civil Engineering, or other departments within or outside of the Faculty of Engineering.

University Requirements

Students are required to complete:

- a) 12 credits in English language enhancement, including 6 credits in “CAES1000 Core University English” and 6 credits in “CAES9540 Technical English for Civil Engineering”;
- b) 6 credits in Chinese language enhancement course “CENG9001 Practical Chinese for engineering students”; and
- c) 36 credits of courses in the Common Core Curriculum, comprising at least one and not more than two courses from each Area of Inquiry with not more than 24 credits of courses being selected within one academic year except where candidates are required to make up for failed credits.

Capstone Experience

Students are required to complete the 12-credit “CIVL4102 Project” to fulfill the capstone experience requirement for the degree of BEng in Civil Engineering.

Internship

Students are required to complete the non-credit bearing internship “CIVL2114 Internship”, which normally takes place after their third year of study.

SECOND AND THIRD YEARS

Introductory Discipline Core Courses (24 credits)

CIVL1105	Environmental engineering	6
CIVL1113	Engineering mechanics & materials (pre-requisite: ENGG1300)	6
CIVL1115	Civil engineering informatics	6
MECH2407	Multivariable calculus and partial differential equations	6

Advanced Discipline Core Courses (48 credits)

CIVL2102	Engineering geology and rock mechanics	6
CIVL2103	Fluid mechanics (pre-requisite: ENGG1350)	6
CIVL2104	Hydraulics and hydrology (pre-requisite: CIVL2103)	6
CIVL2106	Soil mechanics (pre-requisite: CIVL1113)	6
CIVL2108	Principles of civil engineering management	6
CIVL2111	Transportation engineering	6
CIVL2112	Structural analysis (pre-requisite: CIVL1113)	6
CIVL2113	Structural design (pre-requisite: CIVL2112)	6

Discipline Elective Courses (18 Credits)

(Note that pre-requisite is required for some courses. Please refer to the course description for individual courses) 18

University Requirements (UG5) (30 credits)

CENG9001	Practical Chinese for engineering students (This course should be enrolled in the third year)	6
CC##XXXX	Four Common Core Courses	24

Internship (Admitted before 2018-19: 6 credits; admitted in and after 2018-19: 0 credits)

CIVL2109/CIVL2114 Internship 6/0

FOURTH YEAR

Advanced Discipline Core Courses (6 credits)

CIVL4101 Capstone design project (This course must be enrolled in the fourth year)

Discipline Elective Courses (18 credits)

(Note that pre-requisite is required for some courses. Please refer to the course descriptions for individual courses)

Capstone Experience (12 credits)

CIVL4102 Project (This course must be enrolled in the fourth year)

University Requirements (UG5) (6 credits)

CAES9540 Technical English for Civil Engineering (This course should be enrolled in the fourth year)

Elective Courses (18 credits)

(Note that pre-requisite is required for some courses. Please refer to the course descriptions for individual courses)

Graduation Criteria

- Apply for “Degree audit Report” or “Academic Attainment Profile” in SIS system.
- Students can access the “Degree Audit System” via HKU Portal.

Navigation:

My Page (tab) → SIS Menu

→ Academic Records

→ My Degree Audit

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Testing Student
PROGRAM CODE: 623

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CATALOG YEAR: 201801

Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering
BEng (CivE)

AT LEAST ONE REQUIREMENT HAS NOT BEEN SATISFIED FOR GRADUATION

Important:

This Degree Audit Report is for your reference only. It is not an official transcript. Your eligibility to graduate is determined by the Board of Examiners in accordance with the relevant regulations, and not by this report.

NO Candidates shall take and pass not fewer than 240 credits of courses, in the manner specified in the regulations and syllabuses of the degree curriculum, and with a CGPA of 1.000 or above.

Earned:	0.0 Credits		
	0.0 GPA Credits Attempted		0.0 GP_TOT
Still Needs:	240.0 Credits		

NO UG5 Common Core Courses
Still Needs: 36.0 Credits 4 Sub-Groups

- 1) Scientific and Technological Literacy (6-12 credits)

Still Needs: 6.0 Credits

Select From: CCST ****

- 2) Global Issues (6-12 credits)

Still Needs: 6.0 Credits

Select From: CCGL ****

- 3) China: Culture, State and Society (6-12 credits)

Still Needs: 6.0 Credits

Select From: CCCH ****

- 4) Humanities (6-12 credits)

Still Needs: 6.0 Credits

Select From: CCHU ****

NO UG5 English Language Enhancement for Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering
Still Needs: 2 Sub-Groups

FOR REFERENCE

*Requirements from
HKIE*



There are 12 programme outcomes:

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering appropriate to the degree discipline
- (b) an ability to design and conduct experiments, as well as to analyse and interpret data
- (c) an ability to design a system, component or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints, such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability / buildability and sustainability
- (d) an ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams
- (e) an ability to identify, formulate and solve engineering problems
- (f) an ability to understand professional and ethical responsibility

- (g) an ability to communicate effectively
- (h) an ability to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global and societal context, especially the importance of health, safety and environmental considerations to both workers and the general public
- (i) an ability to stay abreast of contemporary issues
- (j) an ability to recognise the need for, and to engage in life-long learning
- (k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice appropriate to the degree discipline
- (l) an ability to use the computer/IT tools relevant to the discipline along with an understanding of their processes and limitations

- BEng (Hons) Degree in Civil Engineering (including the programme under the double degree in BEng/BBA) is eligible for Scheme “A” in **Civil, Geotechnical and Structural Disciplines**.
- BEng (Hons) Degree in Civil Engineering (including the programme under the double degree in BEng/BBA) is eligible for Scheme “A” in **Environmental Discipline** on the condition that the graduate must have taken 2 elective courses from either 2 of the following 3 categories:
 - Either CIVL3111 Wastewater Treatment OR CIVL3121 Water Resources Engineering
 - CIVL3107 Environmental Impact Assessment of Civil Engineering Projects
 - CIVL3115 Solid and Hazardous Waste Management

- BEng (Hons) Degree in Civil Engineering (including the programme under the double degree in BEng/BBA) is eligible for Scheme “A” in **Logistics & Transportation Discipline** on the condition that the graduate must have taken any 2 of the following courses:
 - CIVL2111 Transportation Engineering
 - CIVL3119 Traffic Engineering
 - CIVL3120 Transportation Infrastructure Engineering

*Disciplinary Elective
Courses offered in
2023-24*



Course Code	Course Name	Course Teacher(s)	Semester
CIVL3112	Prestressed concrete structures	Dr. JJ Wang	1
CIVL3122	Wind engineering	Dr. XW Deng	1
CIVL3128	Structural dynamics and earthquake engineering	Dr. RKL Su	1
CIVL3101	Advanced engineering mechanics	Dr. SH Cheung	2
CIVL3116	Steel structures	Ms. MM Tong & Dr. N Yeung	2
CIVL3138	Advanced theory and design of structures (Originally CIVL3118 Theory and design of structures III)	Dr. KH Law & Dr. HL Ye	2

Course Code	Course Name	Course Teacher(s)	Semester
CIVL3129	Numerical analysis in geotechnical engineering	Dr. CY Kwok	1
CIVL3133	Ground improvement	Dr. CE Choi	1
CIVL3131	Earth retaining system	Dr. HN Wong	1
CIVL3108	Foundation engineering	Prof. QZQ Yue	1 & 2
CIVL3114	Slope engineering	Dr. CE Choi	2
CIVL3132	Geotechnical testing instrumentation and monitoring	Dr. CY Kwok	2
CIVL3134	Environmental geotechnology	Dr. MM Hu	2

Course Code	Course Name	Course Teacher(s)	Semester
CIVL3106	Engineering hydraulics	Dr. MF Guan, Dr. KM Lam & a part-time teacher	1
CIVL3107	Environmental impact assessment of civil engineering projects	Part-time teachers	1
CIVL3115	Solid and hazardous waste management	Prof. K Shih & a part-time teacher	2
CIVL3121	Water resources engineering	Part-time teachers	2

Course Code	Course Name	Course Teacher(s)	Semester
CIVL3119	Traffic engineering	Prof. SC Wong & Prof. WY Szeto	1
CIVL3125	Law for civil engineers	Part-time teachers	1
CIVL3103	Construction project management	Dr. C Leung	1 & 2
CIVL3120	Transportation infrastructure engineering	Prof. CK Mak & part-time teachers	2
CIVL3139	Building information modelling (BIM) management for civil engineering	A Part-time teacher	2
CIVL3140	Artificial intelligence in Civil Engineering	Dr. JT Ke	2

Other Points to Note



- Rule for **supplementary exams**:
 - If students are sick with med. cert. and cannot attend exam, they are allowed to take supplementary exam arranged in the same semester.
 - If students are **absent** in supplementary exams, they are required to **retake the whole course** even if they have med. cert.
- Students who have showed up in the exam are **NOT allowed** to take supplementary exam even if they have med. cert.
- For final year students, please note that since the results of supplementary exam for courses in the first semester will be released after add/drop period of second semester, you are suggested to enrol the course first. If you got a pass, enrollment tutors can help you drop the course.

- Year 3 students with **advanced standing** are allowed to take both CIVL4101 Capstone Design Project and CIVL4102 Project for earlier graduation. Please talk to the enrollment tutor about your study plan to get the approval since only Year 4 students are allowed to enroll these two courses in SIS.
- Even if you have assigned a project topic for CIVL4102 Project, you have to enroll the course yourself in SIS.
- “**Green Card**” **Safety course** is **COMPULSORY** and passing the course will be one of the assessment requirements under the course CIVL2114 Internship.

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