CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY



The Construction Technology department offers multiple programs that prepare students for entry-level employment and/or potential further study in the fields of construction, construction inspection, and carpentry/millwork. Students completing these degrees/certificates will have a basic foundation for construction technology and skills that include: basic construction management, knowledge of basic building codes and code authority enforcement, basic concepts of building systems, construction plan reading and development, knowledge of computer programs utilized in managing construction projects and managing quality in construction.

Career opportunities upon successful completion of these programs include construction manager assistant, materials estimator assistant, entry-level carpentry, entry-level finish installer, entry-level concrete installers, retail sales, outside sales for building materials or services, entry-level building inspector.

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Associate Degrees

 Associate of Science in Construction Technology (AS) (https:// catalog.cos.edu/areas-study/construction-technology/associatescience-construction-technology-not-for-transfer-as/)

Certificates

- Certificate of Achievement in Construction Technology (https:// catalog.cos.edu/areas-study/construction-technology/certificateachievement-construction-technology/)
- Skill Certificate in Carpentry/Millwork (https://catalog.cos.edu/areasstudy/construction-technology/skill-certificate-carpentry-millwork/)
- Skill Certificate in Construction Inspection (https://catalog.cos.edu/ areas-study/construction-technology/certificate-achievementconstruction-inspection/)

For a complete list of courses and descriptions visit: COURSES (https:// catalog.cos.edu/course-descriptions/)

CT 100 Construction Drawing and Design Analysis 1 Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3 Lab 4unit(s)

CT 100 is a basic drafting course which incorporates architectural drafting techniques and standards progressing from fundamentals to completion of light construction drawings, basic floor plans, elevations, details and respective building code analysis. The course utilizes computer automated drafting.

CT 101 Construction Drawing and Design Analysis 2

4unit(s)

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3 Lab

Computer aided construction drafting including construction plan development, details for wood, concrete and structural steel and applicable codes.

Advisory on Recommended Preparation: CT 100 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C or equivalent skills as determined by departmental assessment.

CT 105 Computer Assisted Construction Theory

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3 Lab

4unit(s)

A study of basic construction practices and theory including computer estimating, scheduling, and budgeting.

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CT 109 Residential Codes and Inspections

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

Study of residential building codes, residential inspections and construction management practices for residential construction. Course includes construction managers' responsibilities, key inspection points for total quality management, and construction managers' relationships with local officials, general contractor, and prospective occupants.

CT 132 Basic Building Systems & Codes

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

Basic building systems theory, including foundations, walls, roofs, mechanical, electrical, corresponding building codes and inspections. Integration of building related to the environment and human aspects of building.

CT 205 Plumbing Installation and Design 3unit(s)

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

This course offers basic plumbing theory and a study of the materials and installation procedures used in residential plumbing. Students will study the theory as well as receive hands on skill development intended for both professional plumber and non-professional plumbing students.

CT 220 Construction Practices I 3unit(s)

Hours: 2 Lecture/Discussion Hours:

4 Lab

CT 220 is an introductory class that is the first in a series of four classes that offer hands-on construction practices on a construction site. Students will learn to construct specific building projects based on plans and specifications for residential construction applications. This course will also develop skills in safe practice for using both hand and power tools, tape measure reading, and basic construction math.

CT 221 Construction Practices 2	3unit(s)
Hours: 2 Lecture/Discussion Hours:	
4 Lab	
Hands-on construction practices on a construction site to constr specific building projects to plans and specifications and develop enhance building skills with emphasis on quality management.	

CT 222 Construction practices 3	3unit(s)
Hours: 2 Lecture/Discussion Hours:	
4 Lab	
Advanced hands-on construction practices on a construction site to construct specific building projects to plans and specifications	

to construct specific building projects to plans and specifications and develop or enhance building skills with emphasis on controlling construction budgets.

CT 223 Construction Practices 4

Hours: 2 Lecture/Discussion Hours: 4 Lab

CT 223 is the final course in a four course series that offers handson construction practices on a construction site to construct specific building projects. This course is designed to incorporate energy efficient building practices which introduce students to alternate methods of construction that promote Green Building Practices.

CT 250 Basic Carpentry and Construction Practices Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours:

3 Lab

3unit(s)

3unit(s)

Introduction to construction tools, materials, measuring, millwork, and basic construction practices.

CT 260 Interior Millwork

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3 Lab

Students will learn safe practices while using power equipment and hand tools, proper measurements, wood identification and various aspects of interior trim. This class is intended for students with little or no prior wood shop experience, but will also challenge those with previous wood knowledge.

CT 262 Cabinet and Furniture Construction

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion Hours:

3 Lab

This course offers concepts of cabinet design, furniture design, layout, construction, safety and millworking for building individual projects. Students will learn basic cabinet construction, and assembly of a variety of cabinet and furniture projects. In addition to cabinet construction, this course also offers a study of wood characteristics and wood joint connections. CT 262 is beneficial to students who have experience in woodworking as well as the beginner who is eager to learn more about wood working.

CT 270 Residential Wiring

3unit(s)

4unit(s)

4unit(s)

4unit(s)

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

Students will learn practical applications of residential electrical systems, including branch circuits, distribution, transformers, system components, power calculations for voltage, current, wattage, and NEC application.

CT 271 Life Safety for Construction

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

Study of building codes, construction practices for building occupants, and other related building officials' safety. This course offers a study of topics in the International Residential Code which are paramount to the safety of those who dwell within. Additionally, CT 271 will also cover design criteria that involves life safety items as they pertain to residential construction.

CT 273 Electrical Codes

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

3unit(s)

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3unit(s)

Electrical code theory, plan review, math and field inspection for construction management and inspection professions.

CT 275 Plumbing Inspection

3unit(s)

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion

This course offers instruction on various plumbing systems and the code requirements for each one based on the International Plumbing Code. CT 275 is intended for those who are interested in a career in Construction Inspection or those who are already involved in the field but eager to expand their current knowledge.

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CT 277 Structural Inspection

3unit(s)

Hours: 3 Lecture/Discussion CT 277 Structural inspection displays principles of concrete, wood, and metal used for both residential and commercial construction. In this course, students will study the International Residential Code and develop knowledge of braced wall panels, steel frame construction, and wood frame construction. Students will also learn procedures of special inspections for steel, concrete, and other structural applications.

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