



CVEN9809

Reinforced Concrete Design

Term One // 2021

Course Overview

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Course Details

Credit Points 6

Summary of the Course

A dynamic course in the design of reinforced concrete structures to AS3600-2018 and international standards using advanced methods of analysis and design. Topics covered will be chosen from: concrete materials, failure theories, models and behaviour under load; design using linear stress analysis; strut-and-tie modelling; torsion; serviceability; detailing and special provisions for the use of high strength concretes; collapse load methods for the design of regular and irregular slabs.

Course Aims

The aim of this course is to undertake an advanced coverage of various topics relating to the design of concrete structures. The course is targeted at students who specialise in Structural Engineering and are in the early stages of their career.

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

- reinforce their knowledge of structural concrete and design
- further develop in-depth understanding and advance skills in structural design
- reinforce their understanding of philosophy and principles of design and link design and analysis with respect to nonlinear behaviour of concrete
- develop the ability for analytical and independent critical thinking and creative problem solving
- develop skills related to lifelong learning, such as self-reflection (ability to apply theory to practice in familiar and unfamiliar situations); and
- creative and critical thinking ability to develop and design new types of structural systems based on load path

Course Learning Outcomes

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

Learning Outcome	EA Stage 1 Competencies
1. demonstrate an understanding of fundamental and advanced concepts in structural concrete and apply the knowledge of structural design practice	PE1.1, PE1.2, PE1.3, PE1.5
2. Fluently use the Australian standards (e.g. AS3600 and AS1170) and other structural concrete design resources and develop skills for application of systematic reinforced concrete design processes	PE2.2, PE2.3

Teaching Strategies

Approaches to learning;

Private Study	Review lecture material and textbook Do set problems and assignments Join Moodle discussions of problems Reflect on class problems 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
Assessments	Demonstrate your understanding of the principles of structural design Demonstrate your knowledge and skills in design of reinforced concrete Demonstrate higher understanding and problem solving

Additional Course Information

Assumed knowledge: 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) and Advanced Concrete Structures (CVEN4301)

Assessment

Failure to attend the Moodle quiz will result in a mark of zero.

Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% in the final examination in order to pass the course.

Assessment Tasks

Assessment task	Weight	Due Date	Student Learning Outcomes Assessed
Online short answer Quiz - 1	10%	08/03/2021 08:00 PM	1, 2
Final Exam	60%	Not Applicable	1, 2
Online short answer Quiz -2	15%	05/04/2021 08:00 PM	1, 2
Online short answer Quiz -3	15%	26/04/2021 08:00 PM	1

Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Online short answer Quiz - 1

Start date: 08/03/2021 06:00 PM

Length: 30 minutes

Details:

This assignment contains questions that involve analysis and design of a RC member using two different methods, i.e. linear elastic analysis and strut-and-tie modelling.

Additional details:

Note: This target assessment timetable is indicative and subject to change. Every effort will be made to inform students of variations to the above program.

Submission notes: Short answer Quiz

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 2: Final Exam

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 2 hours

Details:

Students are required to answer two questions (2 hour exam) that involve different aspects of reinforced concrete design such as deflection and crack control, strut-and-tie modelling, linear stress

analysis/design and plastic design of RC structures. The exam will be held during the final examination period at the end of the term.

Additional details:

Note: Please refer to final exam timetable to be released by school.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 3: Online short answer Quiz -2

Start date: 05/04/2021 06:00 PM

Length: 30 minutes

Details:

The main focus of assignment 2 is the short- and long-term deflection control of RC/PT members. Emphasis is placed on cracked/uncracked sections and the effect of shrinkage and creep on deflection of RC/PT beams.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 4: Online short answer Quiz -3

Start date: 26/04/2021 06:00 PM

Length: 30 minutes

Details:

In this assessment students are required to analysis and design RC slabs using yield line theory.

Additional details:

Note: This target assessment timetable is indicative and subject to change. Every effort will be made to inform students of variations to the above program.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Attendance Requirements

Students are strongly encouraged to attend all classes and review lecture recordings.

Course Schedule

[View class timetable](#)

Timetable

Date	Type	Content
O Week: 8 February - 12 February		
Week 1: 15 February - 19 February	Lecture	Introduction: Non-linear aspects of concrete and reinforcement; failure theories and surfaces
	Blended	Watch the YouTube Video on Flexural Strength of RC Members and Rectangular Stress Block in AS3600-2018
Week 2: 22 February - 26 February	Lecture	Linear stress analysis: Revisit Mohr circle; 2D stress state; design of RC membranes by linear stress analysis
	Blended	After the lecture watch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lecture summary (Screencast) - Demonstration-1 (Screencast) - Demonstration - 2 (Screencast)
Week 3: 1 March - 5 March	Lecture	Strut-and-tie modeling (Part 1): Terminology, definitions & principles of strut & tie modelling
Week 4: 8 March - 12 March	Lecture	Strut-and-tie modeling (Part 2): Design of non-flexural members according to AS3600-2018
Week 5: 15 March - 19 March	Lecture	Design for serviceability (Part 1): Introduction to serviceability limit states; cracked/uncracked section and deflection control;
	Blended	After the lecture watch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - YouTube Video - Deemed to comply deflection control of one-way slabs

		- Youtube Video - Short-term deflection calculations using simplified method (Middle tier approach)URL
Week 6: 22 March - 26 March	Fieldwork	Flexibility week. No lecture.
Week 7: 29 March - 2 April	Lecture	Design for serviceability (Part 2): Deflection by refined calculations; crack width calculations and crack control.
	Blended	After the lecture watch YouTube Video - Shrinkage strain and creep coefficient values
Week 8: 5 April - 9 April	Lecture	Collapse load: Yield Line method: Principles, upper-bound methods; yield line theory
	Blended	After the lecture, download and watch the videos - https://www.dropbox.com/s/w703lzjntlg9xl3/CVEN9809%205%20%281%20of%203%29.wmv?dl=0 - https://www.dropbox.com/s/xbojq9uuq3x281x/CVEN9809%205%20%282%20of%203%29.wmv?dl=0
Week 9: 12 April - 16 April	Lecture	Introduction to CFT and MCFT: Design of reinforced concrete members for shear and torsion AS3600-2018
	Blended	Before the lecture watch - YouTube Video - Revisiting shear design according to AS3600-2018 - YouTube Video - Shear design of reinforced concrete/prestressed concrete according to AS3600-2018 - Demonstration (Screencast) - Shear + torsion design example
Week 10: 19 April - 23 April	Online Activity	Detailing of RC structure/columns: Continuity of load paths; connections and joints; special provisions for HSC columns Download and watch the video and the powerpoint presentations

		- https://www.dropbox.com/sh/hvia90ji9y7jp22/AADQ9E2iU1z4h95l56-jWff9a?dl=0
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Resources

Prescribed Resources

Course materials:

All lecturer notes, demonstrations, lecture summaries and solution to past exam papers and assignments are available on Moodle.

Text Book:

Foster, Kilpatrick and Warner, Reinforced Concrete Basics, 3rd Edition, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2021. Available at UNSW Bookstore or Pearson: <http://www.pearson.com.au/>

The digital version of textbook is also viewable on Vital Source

References:

- AS3600-2018, "Concrete Structure", Standards Australia, 2018.

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.

Recommended Resources

Additional references:

- Park and Paulay, Reinforced Concrete Structures, Wiley, NY, 1975. .
- Park and Gamble, Reinforced Concrete Slabs, 2nd Edition, John Wiley and Sons, New York, 2000.
- FIB Model Code, 2010, Federation International du Beton, Vol. 1 & Vol 2 (fib Bulletins 65 and 66).

Note: Other references may be given as required reading for each topic. These will usually be contained in technical journals and available via the library or made available via Moodle.

Course Evaluation and Development

Submission of Assessment Tasks

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

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

[Key UNSW Dates](#) - eg. Census Date, exam dates, last day to drop a course without academic/financial liability etc.

Final Examinations:

Final exams in Term 1 will be held online between 30th April - 13th May inclusive. You are required to be available on these dates. Please do not to make any personal or travel arrangements during this period.

Supplementary Examinations:

Supplementary Examinations for Term 1 2021 will be held on 24th - 28th May inclusive should you be required to sit one. You are required to be available on these dates. Please do not to make any personal or travel arrangements during this period.

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For information about:

- Notes on assessments and plagiarism;
- Special Considerations: student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration;
- General and Program-specific questions: [The Nucleus: Student Hub](#)
- Year Managers and Grievance Officer of Teaching and Learning Committee, and
- CEVSOC/SURVSOC/CEPCA

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<https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/civil-engineering/student-resources/policies-procedures-and-forms/academic-advice>

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Appendix: Engineers Australia (EA) Professional Engineer Competency Standard

Program Intended Learning Outcomes	
Knowledge and skill base	
PE1.1 Comprehensive, theory based understanding of the underpinning natural and physical sciences and the engineering fundamentals applicable to the engineering discipline	✓
PE1.2 Conceptual understanding of the mathematics, numerical analysis, statistics, and computer and information sciences which underpin the engineering discipline	✓
PE1.3 In-depth understanding of specialist bodies of knowledge within the engineering discipline	✓
PE1.4 Discernment of knowledge development and research directions within the engineering discipline	
PE1.5 Knowledge of engineering design practice and contextual factors impacting the engineering discipline	✓
PE1.6 Understanding of the scope, principles, norms, accountabilities and bounds of sustainable engineering practice in the specific discipline	
Engineering application ability	
PE2.1 Application of established engineering methods to complex engineering problem solving	
PE2.2 Fluent application of engineering techniques, tools and resources	✓
PE2.3 Application of systematic engineering synthesis and design processes	✓
PE2.4 Application of systematic approaches to the conduct and management of engineering projects	
Professional and personal attributes	
PE3.1 Ethical conduct and professional accountability	
PE3.2 Effective oral and written communication in professional and lay domains	
PE3.3 Creative, innovative and pro-active demeanour	
PE3.4 Professional use and management of information	
PE3.5 Orderly management of self, and professional conduct	
PE3.6 Effective team membership and team leadership	