CNS 016 – CONSTRUCTION SCIENCE SEMINAR

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Course Description:
Presentations by construction-industry professionals, Construction Science & Management faculty and CNS student organizations regarding construction projects, operational construction practices employed, logistical construction challenges encountered/resolved, new construction technologies/products/methods and career paths that are possible in our industry with a KSU degree in Construction Science and Management.

Class Schedule: Thursdays  Time: 4:30-5:20pm  Location: K-State Student Union: Forum Hall

SPRING 2017: CNS #1 – Jan 26th,  CNS #2 – Mar 16th,  CNS #3 – Apr 6th,  CNS #4 – May 4th

Also note that seminar dates are always posted at http://www.k-state.edu/are-cns/seminar/seminar.html

Student Learning Outcomes:
Upon completion of this course, the student shall demonstrate the following proficiencies:
1. Possess a broader understanding of professional applications of a Construction Science and Management undergraduate degree.
2. Possess an understanding of the student/national professional organizations and of the personal and professional opportunities / activities they provide for students and industry professionals.

Evaluation:
Grade Scale:
CR (credit) = Attendance of ALL 4 out of 4 seminars per semester.
NC (no credit) = Attendance of less than 4 out of 4 seminars per semester.

Evaluation Values:
Proof of attendance by scan of KSU student I.D. card or individual original signature will be collected at each seminar to count towards course credit. ***Note*** - failure to scan your I.D. or sign the attendance sheet will result in NO CREDIT for that seminar date. Be prepared to show your current and valid KSU Student Photo ID as proof of identity if so requested by seminar faculty or student seminar staff.

Attendance:
All CNS Students ARE REQUIRED to attend all four CNS seminars each semester.

However, students may attend only one (1) Architectural Engineering(ARE) seminar as a make-up if they are unable to attend one of the CNS seminars. All other make-up credits shall be approved in advance by the Instructor. Prompt and timely attendance is required in this course, as it will be in a professional office and in all your other courses. Card readers and attendance sign-in sheets will be collected promptly at the start of each seminar, so late arrival and missing the sign-in will result in NO CREDIT for that seminar date. The Instructor may consider emergencies or other legitimate issues on a case-by-case basis.

NOTICE: Scanning another student’s I.D. card or signing the attendance sheet for someone else or are violations of the K-State Honor System.

Disclaimer: The Instructor reserves the right to modify or add items to this syllabus at their discretion.
Attendance (continued):
Please note, that if you swipe your card, you should receive a confirming email that your I.D. was successfully scanned. If you don’t receive this email within 24 hours, your I.D. did not scan correctly. If this happens, you have 10-days to contact the course instructor to resolve your attendance issue. After 10 days have passed, it will be counted as a missed seminar – no exceptions.

Attendance Make-up – Writing 10-Page Research Paper
Students who miss seminar(s) or fail to obtain make-up approval from the Instructor in advance will be required to write one 10-page paper for each missed seminar. Each research paper will be a typed (double-spaced, 1” margins, 12-pt. Arial or Times New Roman font) paper based on performing your own research on a topic assigned by the Instructor. Each paper must include a cover page and bibliography page of all sources utilized in the preparation of the paper. The cover and bibliography count toward the 10 page minimum requirement. Other topics may be considered but MUST BE APPROVED IN ADVANCE by the Instructor. Papers are due by the last day of classes for the semester to receive a CR grade for the current semester. If papers are not received within the allotted time, a grade of NC will be issued and a “HOLD” will be placed on a student’s ability to enroll or modify courses in KSIS. Students submitting a paper for a previous semester can submit at any time in order to have the “HOLD” lifted from their account. One 10-page research paper (or alternate make-up option as determined by the Administrator) is required for each missed seminar.

Textbook / Required Materials:
None

ARE/CNS Departmental Classroom Policy:
All students are expected to be respectful and attentive during these seminars. All cell phones, tablets, laptops, and other electronic devices are to be turned off - no exceptions. Food, drinks, smoking, or chewing tobacco are strictly prohibited. Please keep the auditorium clean by properly disposing of all trash at the end of seminar. If you are observed by faculty to be sleeping or violating any of these policies, the action will be noted and you will not receive credit for the seminar. As in other departmental classes and in the professional world, responsible adult behavior is expected during seminars. Remember too, that seminar presenters may be, or work for, a potential future employer. Know that your behavior affects the public image of Kansas State University and our ARE/CNS Department.

University and College of Engineering Policies:

Statement Regarding Academic Honesty
Kansas State University has an Honor and Integrity System based on personal integrity, which is presumed to be sufficient assurance that, in academic matters, one's work is performed honestly and without unauthorized assistance. Undergraduate and graduate students, by registration, acknowledge the jurisdiction of the Honor and Integrity System. The policies and procedures of the Honor and Integrity System apply to all full and part-time students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate courses on-campus, off-campus, and via distance learning. The Honor and Integrity System website can be reached via the following URL: www.k-state.edu/honor. A component vital to the Honor and Integrity System is the inclusion of the Honor Pledge which applies to all assignments, examinations, or other course work undertaken by students. The Honor Pledge is implied, whether or not it is stated: "On my honor, as a student, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid on this academic work." A grade of XF can result from a breach of academic honesty. The F indicates failure in the course; the X indicates the reason is an Honor Pledge violation.

Statement Regarding Students with Disabilities
Students with disabilities who need classroom accommodations, access to technology, or information about emergency building/campus evacuation processes should contact the Student Access Center and/or their instructor. Services are available to students with a wide range of disabilities including, but not limited to, physical disabilities, medical conditions, learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder, depression, and anxiety. If you are a student enrolled in campus/online courses through the Manhattan or Olathe campuses, contact the Student Access Center.

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Center at accesscenter@k-state.edu, 785-532-6441; for Salina campus, contact the Academic and Career Advising Center at acac@k-state.edu, 785-826-2649.

Statement Defining Expectations for Classroom Conduct
All student activities in the University, including this course, are governed by the Student Judicial Conduct Code as outlined in the Student Governing Association By Laws, Article V, Section 3, number 2. Students who engage in behavior that disrupts the learning environment may be asked to leave the class.

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Academic Freedom Statement
Kansas State University is a community of students, faculty, and staff who work together to discover new knowledge, create new ideas, and share the results of their scholarly inquiry with the wider public. Although new ideas or research results may be controversial or challenge established views, the health and growth of any society requires frank intellectual exchange. Academic freedom protects this type of free exchange and is thus essential to any university's mission.

Moreover, academic freedom supports collaborative work in the pursuit of truth and the dissemination of knowledge in an environment of inquiry, respectful debate, and professionalism. Academic freedom is not limited to the classroom or to scientific and scholarly research, but extends to the life of the university as well as to larger social and political questions. It is the right and responsibility of the university community to engage with such issues.