Subject Description Form

Subject Code	BSE2505 Engineering Management and Building Information Modeling						
Subject Title							
Credit Value	3						
Level	2						
Pre-requisite Co-requisite Exclusion	Nil Nil Nil						
Objectives	1. Familiarise students with contract administration in building services engineering works.						
	2. Enables students to understand and apply management science techniques and procedures to the practice of building services engineering.						
	3. Enables students to appreciate the use of Building Information Modelling and related computer based techniques for documentation and modelling of building designs						
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:						
	a) understand the logic, benefits and drawbacks of various forms of procurement, tendering, and contractual arrangements for a building services engineering project;						
	b) understand the legal rights, obligations, responsibilities and liabilities in the provisions in the standard forms of building services contract, and disputes resolution mechanisms;						
	c) acquire basic understanding of management science techniques for project management;						
	d) acquire basic understanding of the recent development in Building Information Modelling and acquire basic Building Information Modelling software skills.						
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	A review of project procurement methods adopted by the Hong Kong construction and facility management sectors: conventional contractual arrangement, design and build, management contracting, project management, build-operate-transfer, etc.						
	Tendering and estimating: Introduction to tender documentation and tendering process; competition and negotiation; contractor selection and nomination; quantity surveying practice for building services installation; bills of quantities; unit rate build-up, sub-contract work, preliminaries and temporary works.						
	Contractual arrangements: Types of building contracts and sub-contracts; contractual arrangements; contract documentation; standard form of contracts and sub-contracts; rights and obligations of contracting parties; architects instructions; possession of site; practical completion; defects rectification and liability; variations, reimbursement of loss and expense; recovery of fluctuations; insurance. Contract stages and procedures; planning and programming of work; statutory requirement; liaison with statutory bodies and authorities; contract payments and accounts.						
	Resolution of disputes: Contract provisions and procedures for arbitration and mediation; litigation; alternative dispute resolution.						
	Application of management science principles and techniques for project management, planning and control: Project management techniques; Gantt charts, network flow models; cash flow planning; cost, time and resource planning and control; understanding of project management software in control process & lifecycle costing analysis; decision tree, decision making and risk analysis.						
	A review and application of Building Information Modelling and related computer based techniques for building services engineering design and documentation: Revit as an example of BIM application, parametric modelling, BIM for design collaboration and decision-making.						

Teaching/Learning Methodology	A problem based approach will be adopted in the delivering of this subject. Contact sessions will comprise a combination of lectures, tutorials/mini-workshops. Case studies will be given for students to work in groups to solve real-life problems.									
Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)							
			a,	b	c	d				
	In-class assessment I	10	✓	✓	✓					
	Group Project	30				✓				
	End-of-semester examination	60	√	√	√	√				
	Total	100 %								
	Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:									
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:									
	■ Lectures					26 Hrs.				
	■ Workshop/Group Project					11 Hrs.				
	■ In-class assessments					2 Hrs.				
	Other student study effort:									
	■ Self study					60 Hrs.				
	Self-learning for computer package					21 Hrs.				
	Total student study effort					120 Hrs.				
Reading List and References	Ashworth, A. Contractual Procedures in the Construction Industry, Prentice Hall. Ashworth, A. Pre-contract Studies: Development Economics, Tendering and Estimating, Blackwell. Hills, M. Building Contract Procedures in Hong Kong, Longman. Taylor III, B.W. Introduction to Management Science, Prentice Hall. McGraw Hill Construction, 2008, Building Information Modelling (BIM): Transforming Design and Construction to Achieve Greater Industry Productivity, New York, United States. Wallace, I.N.D. Hudson's Building and Engineering Contracts: including the duties and liabilities of architects, engineers and surveyors, Sweet & Maxwell. Agreement & Schedule of Conditions of Building Contract for use in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Standard Form of Building Contract - With Quantities, 2005 Edition.									