

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	BSE5510
Subject Title	Safety Aspects in Construction
Credit Value	3
Level	5
Pre-requisite/ Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. To understand regulatory aspects on construction safety and apply safe system of work to ensure safety and health. b. To understand construction safety and the engineering principle for accident prevention in construction sites. c. To understand construction safety technology and hazard control measures for different types of construction operations and environments. d. To acquire knowledge on construction safety management.
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. have a clear understanding of the regulatory aspects on construction safety and apply safe system of work to ensure safety and health; b. identify and evaluate the construction safety and the engineering principle for accident prevention in construction sites; c. appreciate the construction safety technology and hazard control measures for different types of construction operations and environments; d. acquire knowledge on construction safety management.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<p>Regulatory aspects in construction safety: Regulatory aspects in construction safety: Legislation governs safety & health at construction sites; Site-related safety regulations and codes of practice; Safe systems of work.</p> <p>Risk assessment in construction safety: Potential hazards and its control in construction sites; Monitoring and controlling risks, hazard identification and risk assessment methods; Principles of accident prevention in construction sites, developing hazard control measures for different types of construction operations and environment.</p> <p>Construction safety technology and control: Safety of scaffolds, ladders, excavations, structures, and personal fall protection equipment and suspended working platform; Construction safety of confined space; Fire safety and electrical safety fundamentals at construction sites; Safety on handling and use of dangerous substance; Occupational health hazards and personal protective equipment; General construction safety for construction activities, safety of work at height and fall protection; General plant, equipment and machinery safety, safety of lifting appliance & gear; Crane safety and rigging hardware; Safety of scaffolds, ladders, excavation, structure, confined space, and</p>

	<p>personal protective equipment; Fire safety and electrical safety fundamentals at construction site; Safety on handling and use of dangerous substance; Occupational health hazards and personal protective equipment.</p> <p>Construction safety management: Elements of safety management system in construction; Safety planning and control on construction workplaces; Contractor evaluation and selection; Safety & health information and communication in construction workplace; Construction workplace emergencies.</p>																																						
<p>Teaching/Learning Methodology</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lectures/seminars • Student seminars/tutorials 																																						
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<p>Reading List and References</p>	<p>Brauer, R.L. (2016). <i>Safety and Health for Engineers</i>, 3rd Ed., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Hoboken, NJ, USA.</p> <p>Constructing Better Health. (2008). <i>Occupational Health Standards For the UK Construction Industry</i> (Part One: Fitness for Task) Standards.</p> <p>Davies, V.J. & Tomasin, K. (1996). <i>Construction Safety Handbook</i>, 2nd Ed., Telford, London, UK.</p> <p>Ellis, J.N. (2012). <i>Introduction to Fall Protection</i>, 4th Ed., American Society of Safety Engineers, Des Plaines, IL, USA.</p> <p>Goetsch, D.L. (2013). <i>Construction Safety and Health</i>, Pearson.</p> <p>Hill, D.C. (2014). <i>Construction Safety Management and Engineering</i>, American Society of Safety Engineers, Des Plaines, IL, USA.</p>																																						

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International and local standards, guidance notes and codes of practices for relevant safety aspects in construction, such as earth-moving machinery, hydraulic excavators, safe use of excavators, lifting appliances and lifting gears, fire safety at workplaces, use of personal protective equipment etc., the latest edition.