250248 - CONINFTRAN - Construction of Transport Infrastructures

Coordinating unit: 250 - ETSECCPB - Barcelona School of Civil Engineering
Teaching unit: 751 - DECA - Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
Academic year: 2018
Degree: BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING (Syllabus 2010). (Teaching unit Optional)
ECTS credits: 6
Teaching languages: Catalan, Spanish, English

Teaching staff
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Degree competences to which the subject contributes

Specific:
3091. Ability to construct, conserve, dimension and design roads and the items comprising basic road provision
3092. Ability to construct and conserve railway lines with knowledge of the application of the specific technical regulations, differentiating the characteristics of the rolling stock

Generical:
3105. Students will learn to identify, formulate and solve a range of engineering problems. They will be expected to show initiative in interpreting and solving specific civil engineering problems and to demonstrate creativity and decision-making skills. Finally, students will develop creative and systematic strategies for analysing and solving problems.
3106. Students will learn to assess the complexity of the problems examined in the different subject areas, identify the key elements of the problem statement, and select the appropriate strategy for solving it. Once they have chosen a strategy, they will apply it and, if the desired solution is not reached, determine whether modifications are required. Students will use a range of methods and tools to determine whether their solution is correct or, at the very least, appropriate to the problem in question. More generally, students will be encouraged to consider the importance of creativity in science and technology.
3107. Students will learn to identify, model and analyse problems from open situations, consider alternative strategies for solving them, select the most appropriate solution on the basis of reasoned criteria, and consider a range of methods for validating their results. More generally, students will learn to work confidently with complex systems and to identify the interactions between their components.
3111. Students will learn to plan, design, manage and maintain systems suitable for use in civil engineering. They will develop a systematic approach to the complete life-cycle of a civil engineering infrastructure, system or service, which includes drafting and finalising project plans, identifying the basic materials and technologies required, making decisions, managing the different project activities, performing measurements, calculations and assessments, ensuring compliance with specifications, regulations and compulsory standards, evaluating the social and environmental impact of the processes and techniques used, and conducting economic analyses of human and material resources.
3112. Students will develop an understanding of the different functions of engineering, the processes involved in the life-cycle of a construction project, process or service, and the importance of systematising the design process. They will learn to identify and interpret the stages in preparing a product design specification (PDS), draft and optimise specifications and planning documents, and apply a systematic design process to the implementation and operation phases. Students will learn to write progress reports for a design process, use a range of project management tools and prepare final reports, and will be expected to show an awareness of the basic economic concepts associated with the product, process or service in question.
3113. Students will learn to identify user requirements, to draft definitions and specifications of the product, process or service in question, including a product design specification (PDS) document, and to follow industry-standard design management models. Students will be expected to show advanced knowledge of the steps involved in the
design, execution and operation phases and to use the knowledge and tools covered in each subject area to the design and execution of their own projects. Finally, students will assess the impact of national, European and international legislation applicable to engineering projects.

**Transversal:**

586. ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION - Level 2. Taking initiatives that give rise to opportunities and to new products and solutions, doing so with a vision of process implementation and market understanding, and involving others in projects that have to be carried out.

589. SUSTAINABILITY AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT - Level 2. Applying sustainability criteria and professional codes of conduct in the design and assessment of technological solutions.

594. TEAMWORK - Level 3. Managing and making work groups effective. Resolving possible conflicts, valuing working with others, assessing the effectiveness of a team and presenting the final results.

584. THIRD LANGUAGE. Learning a third language, preferably English, to a degree of oral and written fluency that fits in with the future needs of the graduates of each course.

**Teaching methodology**

The course consists of 4 hours per week of classroom activity.

The 2.5 hours are devoted to theoretical lectures, in which the teacher presents the basic concepts and topics of the subject, and the 0.9 hours are devoted to show examples and solves exercises (average).

The rest of weekly hours devoted to tests.

Support material in the form of a detailed teaching plan is provided using the virtual campus ATENEA: content, program of assessment activities and conducted learning, literature.

**Learning objectives of the subject**

Students will gain an understanding of transport infrastructure.

Transport and urban services pathway

Specialised knowledge of basic transport infrastructure concepts covered in an earlier subject on transport and regional organisation

**Study load**

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<th>Total learning time: 150h</th>
<th>Theory classes: 37h</th>
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<td>Practical classes: 14h</td>
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<td>Guided activities: 6h</td>
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## Content

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<td><strong>0. Presentation</strong></td>
<td><strong>2h 24m</strong></td>
<td><strong>Description:</strong> Objectives, faculty, calendar, evaluation system, bibliography.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>1. ROADS. Earthworks construction</strong></td>
<td><strong>9h 36m</strong></td>
<td><strong>Description:</strong> Previous operations to earthmoving, Landfills and rockfills, Soil compaction machinery, Quality control, Completion and refinement, Protection against erosion, Specifications implementation, Soil stabilization with lime and cement, Stabilization execution, Specifications, Soil stabilized design, specifications application.</td>
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<td><strong>2. Aggregates</strong></td>
<td><strong>2h 24m</strong></td>
<td><strong>Description:</strong> Production and quality control, Specifications.</td>
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<td><strong>3. Hydrocarbon binders</strong></td>
<td><strong>4h 48m</strong></td>
<td><strong>Description:</strong> Production, Specifications and applications.</td>
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## 4. Granular layers

**Description:** Preparation of granular bases, laying and compaction, quality control. Specifications.

**Learning time:** 2h 24m
- Theory classes: 1h
- Self study : 1h 24m

## 5. Cement treated gravel

**Description:** Manufacture, laying and compaction, quality control work. Specifications. Problems of cement treated bases.

**Learning time:** 4h 48m
- Theory classes: 1h
- Practical classes: 1h
- Self study : 2h 48m

## 6. Bituminous surface treatments and slurry seals

**Description:** Bituminous surface treatments and slurry seals. Quality control. Specifications. Problems of surface treatments.

**Learning time:** 4h 48m
- Theory classes: 1h
- Practical classes: 1h
- Self study : 2h 48m

## 7. Bituminous mixtures

**Description:** Hot and cold mix asphalt. Design criteria. Laying, compaction and quality control of bituminous mixtures. Specifications. Problems of bituminous mixtures.

**Learning time:** 12h
- Theory classes: 2h
- Practical classes: 3h
- Self study : 7h
## 8. Cement concrete pavements

**Description:**

**Learning time:** 7h 11m
- Theory classes: 1h
- Practical classes: 2h
- Self study: 4h 11m

## 9. RAILWAYS. Organization of passengers transport

**Description:**
Local and regional services
Conventional and high-speed interurban services
Stations for passenger transport

**Learning time:** 12h
- Theory classes: 5h
- Self study: 7h

## 10. Organization of freight transport

**Description:**
Organization of freight transport
Freight terminals

**Learning time:** 12h
- Theory classes: 5h
- Self study: 7h

## 11. The movement of a train. Start and circulation at constant speed. Braking

**Description:**
Resistance to the advancement of a vehicle
Load towable by a train at the start and at constant speed
Resistance to the advancement of high-speed trains.
Main aspects of the braking of a train

**Learning time:** 9h 36m
- Theory classes: 3h
- Practical classes: 1h
- Self study: 5h 36m
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<th>12. Geometrical planning criteria of a line</th>
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<td>Basic design parameters for the electrification of a line</td>
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Qualification system

For assessment purpose, the course consists of three parts:

- Roads (C)
- Railways (FC)

During the semester of the course there will be two tests for each of the two parts that will be taught in parallel. There will also be an assessable activity (A) that will be evaluated for the (C) part, which will be weighted as 30% of the corresponding mark.

An average mark will be obtained from each part (C or CF). The mark of the each part will be obtained from the corresponding exams (and assessable activity in the case of C):

\[
\text{Mark (C)} = 0.70 \times \left( \frac{\text{mark C1} + \text{mark C2}}{2} \right) + 0.30 \times \text{mark A} \\
\text{Mark (FC)} = \frac{\text{mark ExFC1} + \text{mark ExFC2}}{2}
\]

The overall course mark (MARK) will be obtained as:

\[
\text{MARK} = \frac{\text{Mark (C)} + \text{Mark (FC)}}{2}
\]

In the case that the student does not attend one of these tests, with the aim of calculating the MARK, the mark of that part will be considered zero.

To pass the course, the student’s course mark must be \( \geq 5 \).

In addition there will be a retaking exam at the end of the semester, for those students with a mark below 5.0.

The MARK will be NP when the student does not attend the retaking exam.

Regulations for carrying out activities

Failure to perform a laboratory or continuous assessment activity in the scheduled period will result in a mark of zero in that activity.
Bibliography

Basic:


Complementary:


