City University of Hong Kong Course Syllabus

offered by Department of Architecture and Civil Engineering with effect from Semester A 2017/18

Part I Course Overview

| Course Title: | Applied Fire and Plumbing Engineering |
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| Course Code: | CA6607 |
| Course Duration: | 1 Semester (Some courses offered in Summer Term may start a few weeks earlier than the normal University schedule. Please check the teaching schedules with CLs before registering for the courses.) |
| Credit Units: | 3 |
| Level: | P6 |
| Medium of Instruction: | English |
| Medium of Assessment: | English |
| Prerequisites: (Course Code and Title) | Nil |
| Precursors: (Course Code and Title) | Nil |
| Equivalent Courses: (Course Code and Title) | BC6607 Advanced Fire and Plumbing Engineering |
| Exclusive Courses: (Course Code and Title) | Nil |

Part II Course Details

1. Abstract

To understand the importance of fire protection and fire fighting in modern buildings. To study the statutory requirements relating to fire protection and fire fighting in Hong Kong and China Mainland with the emphasis on both active means and passive means.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

(CILOs state what the student is expected to be able to do at the end of the course according to a given standard of performance.)

| No. | CILOs | Weighting (if applicable) | Discovery-enriched curriculum related learning outcomes (please tick where appropriate) | | |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|---|----------|----|
| | | | A1 | A2 | A3 |
| 1. | understand the approach of performance-based fire safety engineering study; | | ✓ | | |
| 2. | create strategy for conducting a deterministic fire safety engineering approach; | | | √ | |
| 3. | calculate different flow conditions in plumbing system; | | √ | √ | |
| 4. | apply the current and new technologies of plumbing engineering | | | ✓ | |
| | | 100% | | | |

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to self-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

3. Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs)

(TLAs designed to facilitate students' achievement of the CILOs.)

| TLA | Brief Description | | No. | Hours / | | | | |
|-----------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------|--|--|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | week (if applicable) | | |
| Lectures | Explain and practice the principles and applications of the fire and plumbing engineering | √ | | √ | ✓ | | | |
| Tutorials | Develop application approaches on fire and plumbing engineering problems | | √ | | ✓ | | | |

| Semester Hours: | 3 hours per week |
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| Lecture/Tutorial/Laboratory Mix: | Lecture (2); Tutorial (1); Laboratory (0) |

4. Assessment Tasks/Activities

(ATs are designed to assess how well the students achieve the CILOs.)

| Assessment Tasks / Activities | CILO No. | | Weighting | Remarks | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|------|--|--|--|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | | | |
| Continuous Assessment: 50% | | | | | | | | |
| Mid-term Test | | | ✓ | √ | 20% | | | |
| Project | | √ | | | 30% | | | |
| Examination: 50% (duration: 2 hours) | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 100% | | | |

To pass a course, a student must obtain minimum marks of 30% in both coursework and examination components, and an overall mark of at least 40%

5. Assessment Rubrics (Grading of student achievements is based on student performance in assessment tasks/activities with the following rubrics.)

| Assessment Task | Criterion | Excellent (A+, A, A-) | Good (B+, B, B-) | Fair (C+, C, C-) | Marginal (D)/ Pass (P) on P/F basis | |
|-----------------|---|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Mid-term Test | ABILITY to explain the principles and practices in plumbing engineering | High | Significant | Moderate | Basic | Not even reaching marginal levels |
| Project | ABILITY to develop application approaches for solving fire engineering problems | High | Significant | Moderate | Basic | Not even reaching marginal levels |
| Examination | ABILITY to describe and apply the principles of the fire and plumbing engineering | High | Significant | Moderate | Basic | Not even reaching marginal levels |

Part III Other Information (more details can be provided separately in the teaching plan)

1. Keyword Syllabus

(An indication of the key topics of the course.)

Review of fire science, modelling fire growth and development; zone and field models, appraisal of fire engineering systems; prescriptive and performance based fire codes; fire escape; cold and hot water supply; sanitation and drainage, basic hydraulics, plumbing and drainage system design, components of plumbing and drainage systems, new plumbing technologies.

2. Reading List

2.1 Compulsory Readings

(Compulsory readings can include books, book chapters, or journal/magazine articles. There are also collections of e-books, e-journals available from the CityU Library.)

1. Nil

2.2 Additional Readings

(Additional references for students to learn to expand their knowledge about the subject.)

CIBSE (2003) Fire engineering, 2nd ed., London.
 Barham R. (1996) Fire engineering and emergency planning, E & FN Spon, London.
 Fire Prevention Council (1998) Fire spread in curtain walled buildings [videorecording], Borehamwood, England.
 Bryan J.L. (1993) Fire suppression and detection systems, 3rd ed., Macmillan, New York.
 CIPHE (2002) Plumbing Engineering Services Design Guide, Hornchurch, Essex, UK.
 Swaffield, J.A. and Galowin, L.S. (1992) The Engineered design of building drainage systems, Ashgate, Hants, England.
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