



Proposed Academic Year	2018-2019	Last Reviewed Academic Year	2020-2021
Course Code	CNMN3004	Course Title	Construction Law
Credit hours	4	Level of study	Undergraduate
College / Centre	College of Engineering	Department	Civil & Environmental Engineering
Co-requisites		Pre-requisites	

1. COURSE OUTLINE

This course prepares students with the basic knowledge and skills of construction contracts and professional-engineering ethics so that they can be applied efficiently in dealing with various legal issues pertaining to construction projects.

2. AIMS

This course firstly provides an overview of the judicial system and sources of law. Principles of law including law of contract, tort, labor law and the mechanisms available for disputes resolution. Secondly, the study of basics of contracting, which forms the legal framework for construction activity, including skills, knowledge, and conceptual tools needed to successfully manage various types of construction projects.

3. LEARNING OUTCOMES, TEACHING, LEARNING and ASSESSMENT METHODS (Indicative)

Learning Outcomes (Definitive)	Teaching and Learning methods (Indicative)	Assessment (Indicative)
1. Understand the hierarchy of the courts, sources of law and the mechanisms of dispute resolution.	Lecture	Assignments + Exams
2. Define fundamental legal terminology regarding contracts, bonds, and insurances.	Lecture	Assignments + Exams
3. Understand the fundamental principles of land law, and planning law.	Lecture	Assignments + Exams
4. Comprehend and develop specifications	Lecture	Assignments + Exams
5. Gain familiarity with widely adopted construction contract forms by AIA, AGC, CMAA, and AAA	Lecture	Assignments + Exams



4. ASSESSMENT WEIGHTING

Assessment	Percentage of final mark (%)
Assignments	30%
Midterm	30%
Final Exam	40%
TOTAL	100%

5. ACHIEVING A PASS

Students will achieve 4 credit hour for this course by passing **ALL** of the course assessments (*Assignments, Quiz, Midterm and Final examinations*) and achieving a **minimum overall score of 50.**

NB *Ensure that ALL learning outcomes are taken into account

6. COURSE CONTENT (Indicative)

WEEK	LECTURE TOPIC	TIME (HOURS)
1	Sources of law	4
2	Judicial system and the structure of courts in Oman	4
3	Civil and Criminal law	4
4	Labour law	4
5	Elements of the contract	4
6	Contractual liability and Tort liability (Law of Tort)	4
7	Types of construction contracts	4
8	FIDIC contracts	4
9	Obligations of the employer, the contractor and the consultant	4
10	Drawing and Specifications Specification Writing	4
11	Construction Insurance	4
12	Contract Surety Bonds	4
13	Project Time Management	4
14+15	Project Cost Management	4
	TOTAL HOURS	60
1 - 15	Plus RECOMMENDED INDEPENDENT STUDY HOURS	120
		180



7. RECOMMENDED READING

Issaka Ndekugri and Mike Rycroft (2009), *The JCT Standard Building Contract: law and Administration*, Elsevier, Oxford.

Construction Contracting, 7th Ed., by Clough, John Wiley & Sons (Required)