CVEN 681-601 – Seminar in Constructed Facilities

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Class Hours
Wednesday: 3:00 – 4:50 pm, Room CE 110

Office Hours
Tuesday and Thursday: 2:00 - 3:00 pm
I will be available to help with questions related to the course during my regular office hours. You are also welcome to schedule an appointment or contact me by e-mail when appropriate.

Prerequisites
Graduate classification in Civil Engineering or approval of the instructor.

Course Objective
The objective of this seminar is for civil engineering students to expand their knowledge of research and design projects in the areas of construction, geotechnical and structural engineering. The seminar will include presentations by outside speakers on these topics. Additionally, students enrolled in the seminar will present their own research or a related topic of interest.

Assignments
• Attendance in this course is critical to the objective of the course. Therefore, attendance will be taken each week.
• An approximately one-page typed summary of presentations given by outside speakers will be required. The summary is due the following week at the beginning of class.
• Each student will be provided an opportunity to present his or her research or a topic of interest agreed upon by the instructor.

Grading
Students will be evaluated using the following criteria:
- Attendance and Presentation Summaries 70%
- Presentation 30%
  100%

Late Policy
All assignments must be turned in at the beginning of class on the day the assignment is due.
Disability Statement
Texas A&M University has a strong commitment to students with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities such as mobility, hearing or visual impairments, learning and/or psychological disorders should identify themselves to the instructor at the beginning of the semester.

Academic Integrity
- Just as ethical conduct is essential to the engineering profession, academic integrity is critical to ensure a fair and positive learning environment and to make certain that each student receives the grade he or she has earned.
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