

# Cover Sheet: Request 13545

## CE Curriculum Change - Addition of BIM Options to Existing Elective

### Info

Process	Major Curriculum Modify Ugrad/Pro
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Description of request	Add two Building Information Modeling classes in Architecture (ARC 4310C, ARC 4511) to list of existing GIS/Surveying electives in Civil Engineering major.

### Actions

Step	Status	Group	User	Comment	Updated
Department	Approved	ENG - Civil and Coastal Engineering 011904000	Robert Thieke	Approved by CCE Department	1/27/2019
Civil Engineering BS Curriculum Change 2019 - BIM Class Options in Architecture.docx Consult Email on BIM Courses - Dr. Nawari Architecture.pdf					1/27/2019 1/27/2019
College	Approved	ENG - College of Engineering	Heidi Dublin	Approved by HWCOE Curriculum Committee and at HWCOE Faculty Meeting	2/12/2019
No document changes					
Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs	Approved	PV - APUG Review	Casey Griffith		2/15/2019
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University Curriculum Committee	Pending	PV - University Curriculum Committee (UCC)			2/15/2019
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## Responses

**Major Name** Civil Engineering

**Major Code** CE

**Degree Program Name** BS Civil Engineering

**Undergraduate Innovation Academy Program** No

**Effective Term** Fall

**Effective Year** 2019

**Current Curriculum for Major** Current requirements include an elective class (3 credits) in spatial information technology which provides an option of four courses outside the civil engineering department in the areas of Surveying or GIS:

SUR 3103C Geomatics

URP 4273 Survey of Planning Information Systems

SWS 4720C GIS in Soil and Water Science

GIS 3072C Geographic Information Systems

**Proposed Curriculum Changes** We seek to add two additional course options to this elective list in the area of Building Information Modeling, (taught in Architecture):

ARC 4310C Building Information Modeling

ARC 4511 Structural Modeling

**Pedagogical Rationale/Justification** Students will be afforded greater flexibility in their choice of a technical elective; Building Information Modeling is a widely used tool in the areas of construction engineering and structural engineering, which are two of the most widely elected specialty areas in the Civil Engineering major.

**Impact on Enrollment, Retention, Graduation** No major impact on enrollment, retention or graduation is anticipated, Students may find it easier to proceed to graduation because of the greater availability of elective courses. The greatest impact is expected in student career readiness and satisfaction in the areas of construction and structural engineering.

**Assessment Data Review** Changes were largely motivated by feedback obtained from Senior Exit Surveys, Employer Surveys and our External Advisory Board

**Academic Learning Compact and Academic Assessment Plan** No changes

To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

*This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student's academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.*

#### Plan of Study Grid

<b>Semester One</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<a href="#">CGN 2002</a> Introduction to Civil Engineering	1
Select one:	3
<a href="#">CHM 2045</a> General Chemistry 1 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Physical Sciences) <sup>1</sup>	
<a href="#">CHM 2095</a> Chemistry for Engineers 1 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Physical Sciences)	
<a href="#">CHM 2045L</a> General Chemistry 1 Laboratory (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)	1
<a href="#">ENC 1101</a> Expository and Argumentative Writing ( <a href="#">State Core Gen Ed Composition</a> ; Writing Requirement: 6,000 words) <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">IDS 1161</a> What is the Good Life (Gen Ed Humanities) <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">MAC 2311</a> Analytic Geometry and Calculus 1 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Mathematics) <sup>1</sup>	4
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
 <b>Semester Two</b>	
<a href="#">ENC 3246</a> Professional Communication for Engineers (Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement: 6,000 words) <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">MAC 2312</a> Analytic Geometry and Calculus 2 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; State Core Gen Ed Mathematics) <sup>1</sup>	4
<a href="#">PHY 2048</a> Physics with Calculus 1 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; State Core Gen Ed Physical Sciences) <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">PHY 2048L</a> Laboratory for Physics with Calculus 1 (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)	1
<a href="#">State Core Gen Ed Humanities</a> <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">State Core Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences</a> <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>17</b>

### Semester Three

<a href="#">COP 2271</a>	Computer Programming for Engineers	2
<a href="#">MAC 2313</a>	Analytic Geometry and Calculus 3 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Mathematics) <sup>1</sup>	4
<a href="#">PHY 2049</a>	Physics with Calculus 2 ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Physical Sciences) <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">PHY 2049L</a>	Laboratory for Physics with Calculus 2	1
<a href="#">STA 3032</a>	Engineering Statistics	3
	Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences with International; Writing Requirement: 6,000 words	3
	<b>Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

### Semester Four

<a href="#">CGN 2328</a>	Technical Drawing and Visualization	3
<a href="#">CGN 3710</a>	Experimentation and Instrumentation in Civil Engineering	3
<a href="#">EGM 2511</a>	Engineering Mechanics: Statics <sup>1</sup>	3
<a href="#">MAP 2302</a>	Elementary Differential Equations ( <b>Critical Tracking</b> ; Gen Ed Mathematics) <sup>1</sup>	3
	Science elective	3
	<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

### Semester Five

<a href="#">CGN 3421</a>	Computer Methods in Civil Engineering	3
<a href="#">CGN 4160</a>	Civil Engineering Practice	3
<a href="#">CGN 3510</a>	Introduction to Sustainable Engineering	3
<a href="#">EGM 3400</a>	Elements of Dynamics <sup>1</sup>	2
<a href="#">EGM 3520</a>	Mechanics of Materials <sup>1</sup>	3
	Select one:	3
<a href="#">GIS 3072C</a>	Geographic Information Systems	
<a href="#">SUR 3103C</a>	Geomatics	
<a href="#">SWS 4720C</a>	GIS in Soil and Water Science	

[URP 4273](#) Survey of Planning Information Systems

[ARC 4310C](#) [Building Information Modeling](#)

[ARC 4511](#) [Structural Modeling](#)

**Credits** **17**

**Semester Six**

[CES 3102](#) Mechanics of Engineering Structures 4

[CGN 3501C](#) Civil Engineering Materials 4

[CWR 3201](#) Hydrodynamics 4

[TTE 4004C](#) Transportation Engineering 4

**Credits** **16**

**Semester Seven**

[CEG 4011](#) Soil Mechanics 4

[EGS 4034](#) Engineering Ethics and Professionalism 1

Second-Level Core courses 9

Technical elective 3

**Credits** **17**

**Semester Eight**

Second-Level Core course 3

[CGN 4806](#) Transportation-Water-Materials Design 3

or  
[CGN 4910](#) or Structures-Geotechnical-Construction Comprehensive System Design

Design elective 3

Technical electives 6

**Credits** **15**

**Total Credits** **128**

<sup>1</sup> Minimum grade of C required.

## Thieke,Robert J

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**Subject:** FW: Request For UCC External Consult

**From:** Nawari,Nawari <[nnawari@ufl.edu](mailto:nnawari@ufl.edu)>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 25, 2019 4:18 PM  
**To:** Thieke,Robert J <[robert.thieke@essie.ufl.edu](mailto:robert.thieke@essie.ufl.edu)>  
**Subject:** RE: Request For UCC External Consult

Dear Dr. Thieke,

Yes, the two classes should be great options for all undergraduate engineering students.

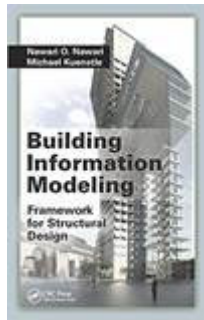
ARC 4310C      Building Information Modeling  
ARC 4511      Structural Modeling

As a matter of fact, every semester I have had engineering students taking these courses.

Please let me know, would you need any additional information.

Best regards,

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**Subject:** FW: Request For UCC External Consult

Dear Dr. Nawari:

I am trying to follow-up on a message that I sent (probably unwisely) shortly before the holiday break in December regarding a consult from your department over the possibility of adding one or both of your classes on Building Information Modeling as elective options in our Civil Engineering BS curriculum.

There has been one development during the intervening time; the Construction Management Department has indicated that our students could not take BCN 4254 without first taking an earlier BIM class, which probably precludes that option for most of our students.

Please let me know whether your classes might be a viable option.

Best regards,

Bob Thieke

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**From:** Thieke,Robert J  
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**Subject:** Request For UCC External Consult

Dear Dr. Nawari:

I am writing you as a result of a potential curriculum change in the Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering that would possibly involve one or two of your courses, namely:

ARC 4310C	Building Information Modeling
ARC 4511	Structural Modeling

Background: In our current curriculum we have a requirement involving an option of several classes across campus that focus on spatial information technology:

GIS 3072C	Geographic Information Systems
SUR 3103C	Geomatics
SWS 4720C	GIS in Soil and Water Science
URP 4273	Survey of Planning Information Systems

Proposal: Our plan would be to add the two above ARC classes to that list, and perhaps also the Building Information Modeling class from the Rinker School of Construction Management (BCN 4252 Introduction to Building Information Modeling), so that our students would choose one class from the following list:

ARC 4310C	Building Information Modeling
ARC 4511	Structural Modeling
BCN 4254	Building Information Modeling
SUR 3103C	Geomatics
URP 4273	Survey of Planning Information Systems
SWS 4720C	GIS in Soil and Water Science
GIS 3072C	Geographic Information Systems

Goal: The goal of this approach would be twofold:

- 1) By spreading the CE students among 7 class choices rather than only 4, we would minimize the impact on any one class's size.
- 2) Our students who are aiming to specialize in Water Resources, Transportation, or Geotechnical Engineering find great utility in the list of current spatial information electives. However our students seeking to specialize in Construction, and particularly those seeking an emphasis in Structures, find considerably less utility in the current arrangement. These students would no doubt get far more out of a class in Building Information Modeling.



Impact: The Civil Engineering program current produces about 130 students per year. However only about 20% of these select a specialization in Structures, and fewer still in Construction. So we would anticipate that about 30-40 students per year might seek the courses in DCP, so there might be an impact of a 10-15 student increase in each class. While this is not enormous, it is not insignificant either, and so we cannot pursue this curriculum change without approval from your department (I will likewise send a separate request for consult to the Rinker School of Construction Management).

At present it appears that one of the undergraduate students in ARC 4511 is a CE major, and 7 of the graduate students in the combined ARC 6512 are also CE majors. Likewise there is one CE undergrad in next Spring's ARC 4310C. So it seems as though there has already been some crossing over of interested students. We would like to expand that if possible.

Thanks and best regards,

Bob Thieke

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