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Integrated Structural Design and Construction
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School of Engineering

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General Information

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
CIVL3301 or CIVL3305

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
This unit examines a variety of construction materials such as concrete, steel and timber, and design principles underpinning Australian design codes, then utilises them for structural design and construction application. Reinforced concrete, steel, and timber design principles are extended with their application to the design of buildings and/or specialised structures. An integrated structural design and construction project is to be undertaken. Students will work in groups and individually to develop concept designs for comparison. Detailed development of one concept design will be carried out to present a structural system that incorporates necessary design requirements which are compliant with relevant design standards. Consideration of construction aspects and suitable methods of construction will also be included in the project development.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Create and complete an authentic design and construction project by applying knowledge of structural analysis and design principles, available codes of practice, and
construction methods.

**ULO2:** Critically review structural design inputs, processes, and outputs.

**ULO3:** Apply technical knowledge, appropriate tools, and problem-solving skills to achieve project goals.

**ULO4:** Communicate design and construction outcomes at a professional level.

**ULO5:** Plan and manage structural design and construction projects with high levels of leadership and teamwork skills.

### General Assessment Information

This Unit is a project-based assessment. The project task includes a group project assignment, a log book of weekly activities, presentations, and a final report.

**To pass this unit you must:** • Attempt all assessments, and • Achieve a total mark equal to or greater than 50%, and • Participate in, and undertake all hurdle activities for, a minimum of 9 of the 12 weekly workshops, and

**Hurdle Assessments** Project progress log book (30%) and Presentation (30%) Development of knowledge and skills requires continual practice at authentic problems in a laboratory-based setting. This unit has weekly laboratory/workshop classes and you must demonstrate your progress in developing and communicating knowledge and skills in a minimum of 9 of the 12 classes. This is a hurdle assessment meaning that failure to meet this requirement may result in a fail grade for the unit.

Students are permitted up to three absences: additional absences will require a Special Consideration to be applied for (see below).

### Special Consideration

The **Special Consideration Policy** aims to support students who have been impacted by short-term circumstances or events that are serious, unavoidable and significantly disruptive, and which may affect their performance in assessment. If you experience circumstances or events that affect your ability to complete the assessments in this unit on time, please inform the convenor and submit a Special Consideration request through ask.mq.edu.au.

If you receive a special consideration approval for the final exam, a supplementary exam will be scheduled by the faculty during a supplementary exam period, typically about 3 to 4 weeks after the normal exam period. By making a special consideration application for the final exam, you are declaring yourself available for a resit during the supplementary examination period and will not be eligible for a second special consideration approval based on pre-existing commitments. Please ensure you are familiar with the policy prior to submitting an application.

Approved applicants will receive an individual notification one week prior to the exam with the exact date and time of their supplementary examination.

### Special Consideration for Practical-based Tasks

The Special Consideration Policy aims to support students who have been impacted by short-term circumstances or events that are serious, unavoidable, and significantly disruptive and
which may affect their performance in assessment.

Written Assessments: If you experience circumstances or events that affect your ability to complete the written assessments in this unit on time, please inform the convenor and submit a Special Consideration request through ask.mq.edu.au. Weekly practice-based tasks: To pass the unit, you need to demonstrate ongoing development of skills and application of knowledge in 9 out of 12 of the weekly practical classes. If you miss a weekly practical class due to a serious, unavoidable and significant disruption, contact your convenor ASAP, as you may be able to attend another class that week.

If it is not possible to attend another class, you should still contact your convenor for access to class material to review in your own time.

Note that a Special Consideration should only be applied if you miss more than three of the weekly practical classes.

**Assessment Tasks**

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**Project report**

Assessment Type ¹: Report  
Indicative Time on Task ²: 24 hours  
Due: **Week 6 & Week 13**  
Weighting: **40%**

The project report is to present the overall report based on the group work and individual work components.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Create and complete an authentic design and construction project by applying knowledge of structural analysis and design principles, available codes of practice, and construction methods.
- Critically review structural design inputs, processes, and outputs.
- Apply technical knowledge, appropriate tools, and problem-solving skills to achieve project goals.
Communicate design and construction outcomes at a professional level.
• Plan and manage structural design and construction projects with high levels of leadership and teamwork skills.

Project progress log book

Assessment Type 1: Log book
Indicative Time on Task 2: 17 hours
Due: Weekly
Weighting: 30%

Project log book is to show weekly work progress and student participation.

On successful completion you will be able to:
• Create and complete an authentic design and construction project by applying knowledge of structural analysis and design principles, available codes of practice, and construction methods.
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Project presentation

Assessment Type 1: Presentation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 18 hours
Due: Week 6 & Week 12
Weighting: 30%

Project presentation including group and individual components.

On successful completion you will be able to:
• Critically review structural design inputs, processes, and outputs.
• Apply technical knowledge, appropriate tools, and problem-solving skills to achieve project goals.
• Communicate design and construction outcomes at a professional level.
• Plan and manage structural design and construction projects with high levels of
leadership and teamwork skills.

1 If you need help with your assignment, please contact:
   • the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
   • the Writing Centre for academic skills support.

2 Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources

Workshops 3 hours per week.

Study materials will be provided in iLearn. Weekly topics will be guided in the first hour of each workshop class.

Note: Inherent requirements of the Unit are: reinforced concrete design knowledge, collaboration, critical thinking, and problem-solving.

Unit Schedule

Refer to the study material in iLearn for the Unit Schedule. All classes start in Week 1.

Company and site visits may be necessary (to be confirmed).

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

• Academic Appeals Policy
• Academic Integrity Policy
• Academic Progression Policy
• Assessment Policy
• Fitness to Practice Procedure
• Assessment Procedure
• Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
• Special Consideration Policy

Students seeking more policy resources can visit Student Policies (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit Policy Central (https://policies.mq.e
Student Support

Macquarie University offers a range of Student Support Services including:

- IT Support
Accessibility and disability support with study
Mental health support
Safety support to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues
Student Advocacy provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

Student Enquiries
Got a question? Ask us via AskMQ, or contact Service Connect.

IT Help
For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.
When using the University’s IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Changes from Previous Offering
There is no change from the previous offering.

Engineers Australia Competency Mapping

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2.2 Fluent application of engineering techniques, tools and resources. 

2.3 Application of systematic engineering synthesis and design processes. 

2.4 Application of systematic approaches to the conduct and management of engineering projects. 

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