## Qualification at a glance

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1  Introduction

This document tells you what you need to do to deliver the qualification:

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<td>What opportunities for progression are there?</td>
<td>It allows learners to progress into employment or to the following City &amp; Guilds qualifications:</td>
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<td>• Level 5 Advanced Technician Diploma in Civil Engineering</td>
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To achieve the **Level 4 Diploma in Civil Engineering** learners must achieve the **eight** mandatory units. Learners may choose the elective unit but this is not required to achieve the qualification.

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3 Centre requirements

Approval
If there is no fast track approval for this qualification, existing centres who wish to offer this qualification must use the standard Qualification Approval Process.

Resource requirements

Physical resources and site agreements
The equipment, systems and machinery must meet industrial standards and be capable of being used under normal working conditions.

Centre staffing
Staff delivering this qualification must be able to demonstrate that they meet the following occupational expertise requirements. They should:

- be occupationally competent or technically knowledgeable in the areas for which they are delivering training and experience of providing training. This knowledge must be to the same level as the training being delivered
- Trainers must hold or be working towards a recognised training qualification.
- have recent relevant experience in the specific area they will be assessing
- have credible experience of providing training.

Centre staff may undertake more than one role, eg tutor and assessor or internal quality assurer, but cannot internally verify their own assessments.

Assessors and Internal Quality Assurer

Assessors
Although not specifically required for this qualification, City & Guilds recommends that Assessors hold, or are working towards, the relevant Level 3 TAQA qualification, covering the assessment types required for this qualification. Further information about the City & Guilds TAQA qualification can be found at www.cityandguilds.com. Assessors must be able to demonstrate clear experience in assessing learning and understand City & Guilds’ quality assurance requirements. They must also have the required industry certification and experience as outlined above.

Internal Verifiers / Internal Quality Assurers
Although not specifically required for this qualification, City & Guilds recommends that Internal Verifiers / Internal Quality Assurers hold, or are working towards, the Level 4 TAQA qualification. Further information about the City & Guilds TAQA qualification can be found at www.cityandguilds.com. Internal Verifiers / Internal Quality Assurers
must be able to demonstrate clear experience in quality assurance processes and understand City & Guilds’ specific quality assurance requirements. They must also have the required industry certification and experience as outlined above.

**Continuing professional development (CPD)**

Centres must support their staff to ensure that they have current knowledge of the occupational area, that delivery, mentoring, training, assessment and verification is in line with best practice, and that it takes account of any national or legislative developments.

**Learner entry requirements**

City & Guilds recommends that learners have completed a suitable engineering related qualification at level 3 or above prior to enrolling on the course.

Without evidence of formal qualifications, learners must demonstrate adequate prior knowledge and experience to ensure they have the potential to gain the qualification.

**Age restrictions**

City & Guilds cannot accept any registrations for learners under 18.
4 Delivering the qualification

Initial assessment and induction
An initial assessment of each learner should be made before the start of their programme to identify:

- if the learner has any specific training needs,
- support and guidance they may need when working towards their qualification.
- any units they have already completed, or credit they have accumulated which is relevant to the qualification.
- the appropriate type and level of qualification.

We recommend that centres provide an induction programme so the learner fully understands the requirements of the qualification, their responsibilities as a learner, and the responsibilities of the centre. This information can be recorded on a learning contract.
City & Guilds has written the following assessments to use with this qualification:

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Test specifications

The way the knowledge is covered by each test is laid out in the tables below:

Test: Unit 439  Applied Mathematics for Civil Engineering
Duration: 3 hours
Grading: Pass/Merit/Distinction

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<td>1 Be able to use algebraic methods to analyse and solve civil engineering problems</td>
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<td>2 Be able to solve civil engineering problems using trigonometry</td>
<td>25</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Be able to use differential and integral calculus to solve civil engineering problems</td>
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<td>4 Be able to use statistical concepts to describe data</td>
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<td>5 Be able to apply probability techniques to solve civil engineering problems</td>
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<td>1 be able to determine reactions and forces, bending moments, shear forces and deflections</td>
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<td>2 be able to design simple beams and columns</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>3 be able to calculate pressures and factors of safety on retaining walls</td>
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<td>2 Understand the properties of soil</td>
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<td>3 Be able to analyse the shear strength of soils and the mechanics of cohesion</td>
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<td>4 Understand the basic principles of soil compaction and consolidation</td>
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<td>1 Know the materials used in civil engineering</td>
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<td>2 Understand how the physical properties of civil engineering materials affect their use</td>
<td>40</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Understand how civil engineering materials are protected from deterioration and failure in use</td>
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<td>1 Understand static and dynamic fluids</td>
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<td>2 Understand the principles of fluid flow in pipes and channels</td>
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<td>3 Be able to design pipe networks</td>
<td>45</td>
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<td>4 Understand the characteristics of pumps</td>
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### Test: Unit 447  Civil Engineering Construction Techniques
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<td>1 Understand the techniques and resources used to construct earthworks</td>
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<td>2 Understand the techniques used to construct substructures</td>
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<td>3 Understand the techniques used to construct superstructures</td>
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<td>4 Understand the techniques used to construct infrastructure</td>
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Time constraints

The following time constraints must be applied to the assessments of this qualification:

- each assignment has suggested durations; please refer to the individual assignments and to the Assessor Guidance. Centre staff should guide learners to ensure excessive evidence gathering is avoided. Centres finding that assignments are taking longer, should contact the External Quality Assurer for guidance
- all assignments must be completed and assessed within the learner’s period of registration. Centres should advise learners of any internal timescales for the completion and marking of individual assignments
- all dated entry written exam papers must be sat within the learner’s period of registration.

Assessment strategy

City & Guilds provide sample questions for each unit assessed by dated entry written exam paper.

The purpose of these sample questions is to provide examples of the type of question that will be set, giving an indication of the breadth and depth of knowledge that is expected. It should be noted that these are sample questions and not a full sample question paper.

Dated entry examinations will take place in June and December.

Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

Recognition of prior learning means using a person’s previous experience or qualifications which have already been achieved to contribute to a new qualification.

RPL is not allowed for this qualification.
6 Grade profile

Purpose and use of this qualification grade profile

City & Guilds has taken the decision to grade the individual assessments included in this qualification, and provide a grade associated with each unit. This decision is based on market research with employers and colleges that suggests grading can be of use both as a motivational tool within the learning environment, and also to learners presenting evidence of their skills to prospective employers.

For this reason, the tasks have been developed to extend learners beyond the minimum required for Pass. As a basis for developing the tasks and their related grading criteria, City & Guilds consulted a number of stakeholders to discover what the grades at each level should mean in practice, and how they might be used. The following descriptors are based on that consultation.

The descriptors were used in the development of the task grading criteria and should be used by assessors to understand the intended outcomes of the grading.

They should be referred to during the centre’s standardising exercises in addition to the specific grading criteria for the unit to support a consistent understanding of the standard across units, centres and assessors. The grades achieved by a learner would be considered by universities for subsequent entry into the correct year of a degree programme.

Levels

Level 4

The Level 4 Diplomas in Civil Engineering focus on advanced engineering. The learners will have the potential to fulfil a role within Engineering that requires a high level of responsibility, for example within first level management, requiring the use of personal initiative and critical judgement.

Holders of these qualifications may also be able to advance into the second year of a selected university engineering degree programme.

Level 5

The Level 5 Diplomas in Civil Engineering focus on advanced engineering. The learner will have the potential to fulfil a role within Engineering that requires a high level of responsibility, for example leading to middle management and/or project management, requiring the use of personal initiative and critical judgement.

Holders of these qualifications may also be able to advance into the third year of a selected university engineering degree programme.

To take this qualification a learner must first achieve the 9208 Level 4 Diploma in Civil Engineering.
Delivery of learning

Learning is delivered by approved colleges and training providers in simulated learning environments, not in the workplace. Learners will however have access to real work environments in which to further develop the breadth of their skills and their experience.

Grading

The majority of tasks are graded Pass / Merit / Distinction. Pass reflects the minimum requirements that are expressed in the unit, with Merit and Distinction showing progression in skills and knowledge as well as recognising behaviours important to the industry.

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<td><strong>Learner:</strong> Broader understanding of systems and procedures, can work with minimal guidance, determination to resolve issues, taking ownership and responsibility for own learning, desire to progress. <strong>Evidence:</strong> Full attempt at assessment, well defined tasks completed with minimal guidance, able to follow the required process, higher level skills / knowledge / competence displayed for the industry, can plan, can solve problems more effectively and confidently. Sufficient reflection on the outcomes of the task.</td>
<td><strong>Learner:</strong> High level of understanding and evaluation of overall systems and procedures, showing potential to achieve a higher level of academic study. Has an ability to carry out tasks without guidance and shows own initiative. <strong>Evidence:</strong> Full achievement of assessment completely independently, within the time given, ie efficient use of time. Detailed / in-depth reflection on the outcomes of the task with recommendations for improvement / alternatives.</td>
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<td><strong>Learner:</strong></td>
<td>Capable of making informed decisions, likely to have achieved a grade at Level 4 (Merit / Distinction), has sufficient skills to bring value to the industry, is fairly comfortable with occupational systems and procedures.</td>
<td><strong>Learner:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Evidence:</strong></td>
<td>Complex tasks may present some challenge, but most assessments attempted, well defined tasks completed with a level of guidance, able to follow the required process, acceptable skills / knowledge / competence displayed for the industry, can plan, can solve problems. Satisfactory reflection on the outcomes of the task.</td>
<td><strong>Evidence:</strong></td>
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7 Units

Structure of units
These units each have the following:
- City & Guilds reference number
- title
- level
- guided learning hours
- notional learning hours
- unit aim
- information on assessment
- learning outcomes which are comprised of a number of assessment criteria
- notes for guidance.
Unit 422  Personal and Professional Development

Level: 4
GLH: 25
Assessment method: Assignment

Aim:
The purpose of this unit is to enable learners to develop an understanding of the different methods and resources available to them for planning their personal and professional development.

They will learn how to identify factors that may affect targets or goals, prioritise actions and understand how feedback from others can be utilised to aid their development and career progression. They will be able to develop a plan which can either be used during progress of a course of study or as a tool in their future careers.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
1. understand how to plan for personal and professional development

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
1.1 describe the benefits of personal and professional development
1.2 identify development opportunities for career and personal progression
1.3 analyse development opportunities that may support career and personal progression.
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<td>personal - update skills, gain new skills, increase motivation, confidence</td>
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<td>professional - career progression, meeting organisation goals, how role fits into organisation</td>
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<td><strong>Development opportunities</strong></td>
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<td>- skills: inter-personal, enterprise, self-management and leadership</td>
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<td>2.1 explain the principles of how people learn</td>
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<td>2.2 describe different learning styles</td>
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<td>2.3 evaluate learning resources to support development</td>
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<td>2.4 analyse the use of different learning strategies.</td>
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<td>visual, aural, physical, logical, social, solitary</td>
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<td><strong>Learning resources</strong></td>
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<td>libraries; organisation’s resources, IT, internet, progress files, portfolio development</td>
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<td><strong>Learning strategies</strong></td>
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<td>awareness of personal style e.g. activist, pragmatist, theorist, reflector, interactions with others, taking responsibility for own development, effective time-management, structured reflection</td>
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<td>3. be able to produce personal and professional development plans</td>
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| **Self-audit**  
personal reflections, feedback from others; skills scan; revisiting job role |
| **Targets**  
SMART target setting, responding to feedback, realigning targets, addressing strengths and weaknesses |
| **Methods**  
task manager, blog, project management tools, diaries, performance review/plan, objectives, monitoring, reflecting and planning |

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| The learner will:  
4. be able to make recommendations for personal and professional development |

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| The learner can:  
4.1 explain the **benefits** of reflective practice  
4.2 evaluate **progress** against development plan  
4.3 recommend opportunities for further development. |

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| **Benefits**  
extent to which targets have been met/not met, recognise any changes in expectations; suggest further support required, identify barriers to progress |
| **Progress**  
the learner should regularly identify progress against original plan and refine plan accordingly |
Unit 439  
Applied Mathematics for Civil Engineering

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Aim: The purpose of this unit is to enable learners to develop an understanding of a range of mathematical operations and analysis techniques that are required to solve engineering problems.

On completion of this unit, learners will be able to:

- apply algebraic methods to analyse and solve civil engineering problems
- apply trigonometric methods of analysis to solve civil engineering problems
- apply differential and integral calculus methods to solve civil engineering problems
- apply statistical techniques to solve civil engineering problems
- apply probability techniques to solve civil engineering problems

**Learning outcome**

The learner will:

1. be able to use algebraic methods to analyse and solve civil engineering problems

**Assessment criteria**

The learner can

1.1 evaluate basic algebraic functions
1.2 solve engineering problems that are described by algebraic equations, exponential and logarithmic functions.
## Range

### Basic algebraic functions
-algebraic functions (graph of a function, inverse of a function, odd and even functions, linear functions, gradient of a linear function, points of intersection); common engineering functions (polynomial, rational, modulus, unit step, unit impulse); use of symbols; indices (positive and negative); laws of indices; algebraic formulae (transposition, factorisation, evaluation of algebraic fractions)

### Algebraic equations, exponential and logarithmic functions
-linear equations; quadratic equations; polynomial equations; simultaneous equations; solving inequalities; partial fractions

### Exponential and logarithmic functions
-laws of logarithms; solving exponential and logarithmic equations

### Range

### Basic trigonometric functions
-angles; sine; cosine; tangent; secant; cosecant; cotangent of an angle; inverse functions; sin⁻¹; cos⁻¹; tan⁻¹; trigonometric functions and their graphs; amplitude; frequency; phase and period of a sine or cosine function

### Trigonometric identities
-compound and double angle formulae for sine and cosine; ‘sums to product’ and ‘product to sums’ formulae; solve trigonometric equations; application to resolution and resultant of forces

### Vector analysis
-scalar and vector quantities; scalar and vector product of two vectors; angle between two vectors; static forces, frameworks

## Learning outcome

The learner will:

2. be able to solve civil engineering problems using trigonometry

## Assessment criteria

The learner can:

2.1 evaluate **basic trigonometric functions**

2.2 solve problems using **trigonometric identities**

2.3 solve problems using **vector analysis**.

## Range

### Basic trigonometric functions
-angles; sine; cosine; tangent; secant; cosecant; cotangent of an angle; inverse functions; sin⁻¹; cos⁻¹; tan⁻¹; trigonometric functions and their graphs; amplitude; frequency; phase and period of a sine or cosine function

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### Vector analysis
-scalar and vector quantities; scalar and vector product of two vectors; angle between two vectors; static forces, frameworks

## Learning outcome

The learner will:

3. be able to use differential and integral calculus to solve civil engineering problems

## Assessment criteria

The learner can:

3.1 determine first and higher order derivatives of **functions**

3.2 use **differential calculus** to solve problems

3.3 determine indefinite and definite **integrals** of algebraic and trigonometric functions and differential equations

3.4 use **integral calculus** to solve problems.
Range

Functions
algebraic, trigonometric, logarithmic

Differential calculus
product rule; quotient rule; chain rule; implicit and logarithmic differentiation; maximum and minimum values of a function; points of inflection

Integrals
integration as the reverse of differentiation; indefinite integrals; table of integrals for common functions (constant, \(ax^n\) \((n \neq -1)\), \(1/x\), \(\sin(ax \pm b)\), \(\cos(ax \pm b)\), \(e^{ax \pm b}\) , definite integrals; integration methods: integration by parts, by substitution, by using partial fractions; integration of trigonometric functions and differential equations.

Integral calculus
applications of integration to areas; volumes of revolution; centres of mass; moments of inertia; mean value and root-mean-square (rms) values.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
4. be able to use statistical concepts to describe data

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
4.1 present data in appropriate forms
4.2 apply statistics to describe data.

Range

Forms
data presentation: bar charts, tally charts, line diagrams, histograms, cumulative frequency diagrams, scatter plots

Statistics
concept of central tendency to include mean, median and mode; dispersion to include standard deviation, variance, interquartile range of grouped data, normal distribution.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
5. be able to apply probability techniques to solve civil engineering problems

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
5.1 use probability to solve problems.

Range

Probability
empirical probability, mutually exclusive and non-exclusive events, conditional probability, discrete probability distribution, permutations and combinations, general binomial distribution, normal distribution
# Unit 440  Site Surveying

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## Aim:
The purpose of this unit is to enable learners to develop an understanding of the principles of site surveying and the production of drawings and the skills to use site surveying instruments.

In addition, learners will also gain an understanding of the procedures used to set out civil engineering works alongside an appreciation of the use surveying instruments.

## Learning outcome
The learner will:
1. know how to use linear surveying equipment to produce drawings to scale

## Assessment criteria
The learner can:
1.1 define **linear surveying terminology**
1.2 describe the **equipment** used to complete linear surveys.

## Range
**Linear surveying terminology**
chainage, running measurements, offsets, tie lines, check lines, sloping ground measurements, linear measurements around obstructions, triangulation, trilateration, grid, intersection

**Equipment**
tapes, bands, ranging poles, chains, Electronic Distance Measurement (EDM)
### Learning outcome
The learner will:
- be able to use linear surveying equipment to produce drawings to scale

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:
- 2.1 perform linear surveys
- 2.2 produce **plan drawings** from practical linear surveys.

### Range
**Plan drawings**
to scale, standard conventions, manually drafted or by Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

### Learning outcome
The learner will:
- know how to use levelling instruments

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:
- 3.1 define **levelling surveying terminology**
- 3.2 describe equipment used to complete a level survey
- 3.3 explain **accuracy checks** for levelling surveys.

### Range
**Levelling surveying terminology**
back sight, fore sight, intermediate sight, datum, Ordnance Bench Mark (OBM), Temporary Bench Mark (TBM), height of collimation, rise and fall, flying levels

**Equipment**
automatic levels, tilting levels, rotating lasers

**Accuracy checks**
for common errors, relationship between scale of plan and measurement accuracy, temporary and permanent adjustments

### Learning outcome
The learner will:
- be able to use levelling equipment

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:
- 4.1 complete levelling surveys using **booking methods**
- 4.2 produce **section drawings** from completed levelling surveys.
### Range

#### Booking methods
- height of collimation or rise and fall methods

#### Section drawings
- longitudinal section and cross sections

### Learning outcome

The learner will:
5. know how to use angular measuring instruments

### Assessment criteria

The learner can:
5.1 define angular surveying **terminology**
5.2 describe **equipment** used to perform angular measurements
5.3 explain the **errors** which can occur when recording angles
5.4 explain **how errors may be reduced** to improve the accuracy of recorded angular measurements.

### Range

#### Terminology
- azimuth, zenith angles, Whole Circle Bearing (WCB), horizontal angle, angles of elevation and depression

#### Equipment
- Theodolites, total station, data loggers, Electronic Distance Measurement (EDM)

#### Errors
- common errors, principles of good intersection of lines of sight, increasing distance and link to angular error

#### How errors may be reduced
- error analysis and least square method, Bowditch method of correction of closure error in a traverse

### Learning outcome

The learner will:
6. be able to use angular measuring instruments

### Assessment criteria

The learner can:
6.1 **measure** horizontal angles
6.2 calculate height and distances from recorded angular **measurements** using trigonometry.

### Range

#### Measure
- face left, face right booking procedure to record angles

#### Measurements
- Pythagoras theorem, sine rule; cosine rule
Learning outcome
The learner will:
7. understand the principles of setting out construction projects

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
7.1 describe the procedures used to set out a domestic building
7.2 describe the procedures used to set sight rails, and gradients
7.3 describe the procedures used to set out and level foundations.

Range
Procedures used to set out a domestic building
3:4:5 triangles, checking diagonals, corner profiles

Procedures used to set sight rails, and gradients
transfer of datum, set out pegs, sight rails
### Unit 441  Structural Mechanics

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**Aim:** This unit enables learners to develop an understanding of the analysis of beams, columns, frameworks and retaining walls structural concepts and develop skills to determine properties of typical structure materials.

#### Learning outcome

The learner will:

1. be able to determine reactions and forces, bending moments, shear forces and deflections

#### Assessment criteria

The learner can:

1.1 calculate reactions, shear force and bending moment values for various loadings on beams
1.2 draw diagrams for various loadings
1.3 calculate deflections at mid-span for simply supported beams
1.4 draw associated shear force and bending moment diagrams for a three element pin-jointed frame
1.5 determine the magnitude and type of forces in frameworks using a range of methods and loading conditions.

#### Range

**Beams**
simply supported beams with/without overhangs, cantilevers

**Diagrams**
shear force, bending moment

**Loadings**
point, uniformly distributed, combination of loads

**Range of methods**
graphical (Bow's notation), method of sections (frame cutting, equilibrium of part frame), method of resolution (joint equilibrium)
Learning outcome
The learner will:
2. be able to design simple beams and columns

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
2.1 calculate first and second moments of area of sections of sections
2.2 determine the size of rectangular beam sections
2.3 determine the section sizes for axially loaded columns.

Range
Sections
rectangular, circular, trapezoidal, compound shapes

Beam sections
rectangular, T, I and channel

Beam
steel, timber, concrete

Columns
Type: short/long columns, section (solid, rectangular, H section, circular)

Ranges
steel, timber, concrete

Learning outcome
The learner will:
3. be able to calculate pressures and factors of safety on retaining walls

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
3.1 calculate the pressure on retaining walls
3.2 determine factors of safety against sliding and overturning
3.3 calculate the stress conditions at the toe and heel of a retaining wall.

Range
Pressure
from retained soils and liquids

Walls
types - mass (rectangular and trapezoidal)
Unit 442  Geotechnics and Soil Mechanics

Level: 4
GLH: 60
Assessment method: Dated written paper

Aim: This unit enables learners to develop an understanding of common rock types and their use in civil engineering. Learners will analyse the properties and characteristics of different types of soil using standard tests, and apply the knowledge and understanding obtained to the design of earthworks, excavations and foundations.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
1. understand common rock types, their formation and use

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
1.1 describe the classification of rock types
1.2 describe common rock forming minerals including their mode of formation
1.3 describe features of geological maps
1.4 explain the structural implications of geological maps in foundation design.

Range
Rock
igneous (granite, basalt, dolerite, andesite, gabbro, rhyolite, syenite), sedimentary (limestone, sandstone, mudstone, shale, conglomerate), metamorphic (slate, schist)

Minerals
(rock forming) quartz, mica, feldspars, calcite

Features
bedding, dip, strike, cline, fold, faults, slip, settlement, drift

Structural implications
difficulty of excavation, fragmentation
### Learning outcome

The learner will:

2. understand the properties of soil

### Assessment criteria

The learner can:

2.1 describe **soil classification methods**
2.2 explain **soil properties**
2.3 describe the nature of drained and undrained **soil stresses**
2.4 describe the **movement of water** through soils
2.5 describe **methods** of site investigation
2.6 explain the mechanics of soil friction and cohesion
2.7 describe how to determine the shear strength of soils using **tests**
2.8 explain the shear strength of soils.

### Range

| **Soil classification methods** | particle size analysis, consistency limits, plasticity indices |
| **Soil properties**            | dry, bulk, saturated and submerged densities, void ratio, porosity, moisture content, liquid limit, degree of saturation, permeability, specific gravity |
| **Soil stresses**              | pressure (total, effective, neutral), definitions and calculations for |
| **Movement of water**          | soil permeability, hydraulic gradient |
| **Methods**                    | trial pits, hand auger, rotary boring, percussion rig boring |
| **Tests**                      | shear box, triaxial compression |
| **Explain**                    | importance of shear strength, Mohr’s circles, shear failure for various soil types, shear strength envelope, shear testing with different drainage conditions |

### Learning outcome

The learner will:

3. be able to analyse the shear strength of soils and the mechanics of cohesion

### Assessment criteria

The learner can:

3.1 establish basic engineering **properties of soils** using either primary or secondary data
3.2 determine **total stress**
3.3 calculate **stresses**.
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<td><strong>Total stress</strong></td>
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<td>effective stress, and hydrostatic pore pressure for ground conditions</td>
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<td>4.1 compare soil compaction and consolidation</td>
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<td>4.3 describe the nature of lateral pressure which can exist within a soil mass</td>
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<td>4.4 determine the pressure on retaining walls due to liquid and active earth pressure</td>
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<td>4.5 calculate factors of safety of retaining walls.</td>
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<td><strong>Lateral pressure</strong></td>
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<td>Rankine theory of pressures, Coulomb wedge theory, methods of calculating lateral forces on a structure, influence of ground water.</td>
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The purpose of this unit is to enable learners to develop an understanding of the materials used in civil engineering, their properties and uses, the causes of failure of such materials and the methods used to prevent failure.

**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
1. know the materials used in civil engineering

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
1.1 identify the materials used in civil engineering
1.2 describe how civil engineering materials are manufactured from naturally-occurring raw ingredients
1.3 describe the tests performed on civil engineering materials.

**Range**

**Materials**
Metals, timber, concrete, polymers, bricks and blocks

**Raw ingredients**
Metallic ores; clay, limestone/chalk, aggregates; oil; clay or sand/lime

**Tests**
Strength (compressive, tensile, shear, flexural), moisture content, workability

**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
2. understand how the physical properties of civil engineering materials affect their use

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
2.1 describe the physical properties of civil engineering materials
2.2 explain how the properties of civil engineering materials affect their use.
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<td><strong>Use</strong></td>
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<td>resistance to loads, water and other forms of chemical and physical degradation, durability, ease of installation, relative costs, implications for sustainability and the environment</td>
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<td><strong>Mechanisms</strong></td>
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<td>over-loading, corrosion, fatigue, creep, fungal and insect attack, sulphate attack, ultra-violet (UV) attack, efflorescence</td>
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<td>selection of resistant materials; appropriate design solutions for the exclusion of water, treatment of materials including preservation of timber, use of sulphur-resistant cement in concrete and anti-corrosion measures for metals</td>
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Unit 444  Hydraulics in Civil Engineering

Level: 4  
GLH: 60  
Assessment method: Dated written paper

Aim: The aim of this unit is to develop the learner's understanding of the concepts, theory and application of hydraulics and establish their relevance in civil engineering.

This unit will enable learners to demonstrate and explore key hydraulics phenomena and investigate the design of pipe networks, the characteristics of flow in open channels and the types and operation of pumps.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
1. understand static and dynamic fluids

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
1.1 describe the properties of fluids
1.2 explain how pressure acts on submerged bodies in fluids
1.3 determine centres of pressure
1.4 explain buoyancy and stability of floating bodies.

Range
Properties of fluids
density, viscosity, surface tension, compressibility, hydrostatic pressure, static pressure and head, pressure at a point
Pressure
hydrostatic vertical pressure distribution, pressures at equal depth, pressure at a point, forces acting at boundaries
Centres of pressure
immersed planes (inclined and vertical)
Buoyancy and stability
metacentric height, centre of gravity, Archimedes' Principle
### Learning outcome
The learner will:

2. understand the principles of fluid flow in pipes and channels

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:

2.1 explain the continuity equation and Bernoulli’s energy equations
2.2 explain the principles of momentum
2.3 explain **flow measurement methods** in pipes and channels
2.4 explain the **characteristics** of open channel flow.

### Range
**Flow measurement methods**
- orifice plates, venture meters, venturi flumes, weirs, pitot tubes

**Characteristics**
- types of flow, steady, uniform and varied, gradually varied flow, rise in bed level, flow resistance

### Learning outcome
The learner will:

3. be able to design pipe networks

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:

3.1 carry out risk assessments
3.2 mitigate risks before carrying out experiments
3.3 determine **losses in pipelines**
3.4 **design** pipe networks
3.5 perform calculations relating to **flow in open channels**.

### Range
**Losses in pipelines**
- major losses (energy) and minor losses (others)

**Design**
- D’Arcy-Weisbach theory, Moody diagrams, pie design charts

**Flow in open channels**
- Velocity and discharge calculations, rectangular and trapezoidal channels, normal and critical depths, D’Arcy, Chezy and Manning equations, functions of weirs

### Learning outcome
The learner will:

4. understand the characteristics of pumps

### Assessment criteria
The learner can:

4.1 describe **types of pumps**
4.2 explain the performance curves of pumps
4.3 explain the **operation of pumps**.
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This unit has two purposes. The first is to enable learners to develop an understanding of the methods used to communicate in civil engineering. This includes verbal and written communication methods (including presentational techniques) and the interpretation of civil engineering drawings, schedules and specifications. There is a strong emphasis on the correct use of technical language, grammar, spelling and punctuation. The second purpose is to develop an understanding of Computer Aided Design and Building Information Modelling (BIM) in civil engineering projects. Learners will be able to draw detailed scaled civil engineering structures using CAD.

**Learning outcome**

The learner will:

1. understand the range of communication methods used in civil engineering

**Assessment criteria**

The learner can:

1.1 describe standard forms of contract
1.2 explain the purpose of **information sources** used in civil engineering
1.3 interpret civil engineering information from **graphical sources**.
**Range**

**Information sources**
manuals, contracts, specifications, design standards

**Graphical sources**
sketches, working drawings, component drawings, maps, Global Positioning System (GPS), Geographic Information System (GIS), specifications

**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
2. understand how to communicate effectively in the workplace

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
2.1 explain the importance of **interpersonal and communication skills** in the optimisation of performance
2.2 evaluate the **effectiveness of feedback** when developing communication skills
2.3 assess **methods of communication** appropriate to different audiences.

**Range**

**Interpersonal and communication skills**
written; verbal; visual; outcomes; key points; intonations; accuracy; urgency; level of importance; adaptation; audience; barriers; achieved purpose; formality; variety of situations

**Effectiveness of feedback**
analysts of formal and informal feedback; reflection

**Methods of communication**
written; verbal; visual; format; layout; presentation; objectives; discussion; adaptation

**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
3. be able to communicate in civil engineering

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
3.1 use effective speaking and listening skills in a civil engineering context
3.2 produce **written documents** to an **acceptable standard**.
**Range**

**Context**
meetings, interviews, presentations, team discussions, telephone conversations

**Written documents**
paper and electronic: reports, business letters, minutes of meetings, method statements, notices, presentations

**Acceptable standard**
clear and accurate use of technical language, grammar, spelling, punctuation

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**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
4. be able to hand draw structures

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
4.1 sketch technical, scaled drawings of civil engineering structures in different projections
4.2 produce title blocks
4.3 sketch cross sections of structures
4.4 sketch detailed structural components.

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**Range**

**Structures**
site plans; buildings; roads; bridges

**Projections**
isometric; first and third angle orthographic; single and multiple point perspective

**Title blocks**
to include: drawing title, drawing number, scale, units and notes

**Components**
steel reinforced concrete, I beams, floor slabs, beam and column joints, girders, foundations

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**Learning outcome**
The learner will:
5. be able to produce technical drawings using CAD

**Assessment criteria**
The learner can:
5.1 sketch civil engineering structures in two dimensions
5.2 produce drawings using coordinate systems
5.3 create different line types
5.4 create layers for complex drawings
5.5 apply standard drawing tools
5.6 create and apply blocks
5.7 produce scaled pages with multiple viewports.
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Unit 447 Civil Engineering Construction Techniques

Level: 4
GLH: 60
Assessment method: Dated written paper
Aim: The purpose of this unit is to enable learners to develop an understanding of the technology and resources associated with civil engineering projects including earthworks, substructures, superstructure and infrastructure.

Learning outcome
The learner will:
1. understand the techniques and resources used to construct earthworks

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
1.1 describe the techniques and resources used in earthworks
1.2 explain the techniques used to control groundwater
1.3 compare the earthmoving equipment used in earthworks
1.4 explain health and safety best practice to be followed when constructing earthworks.

Range
Earthworks
deep excavation, trenching works, stabilising ground, formation of slopes, cuttings and embankments
Techniques
sumps, wells, deep filters, wellpoints, electro-osmosis, French drains, ground freezing
Equipment
excavators, bulldozers, scrapers, tractor shovels, graders, transport vehicles
Health and safety best practice
risk assessments, method statements, compliance with relevant legislation (Health and Safety at Work Act, Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations, Construction Design and Management Regulations)

Learning outcome
The learner will:
2. understand the techniques used to construct substructures

**Assessment criteria**

The learner can:
2.1 describe the techniques and **resources** used in **substructure work**
2.2 explain the **factors** that affect the selection of suitable foundations
2.3 explain **health and safety best practice** to be followed when constructing substructures.

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<td>piling, stabilising ground, foundations, drainage, public utilities, culverts, underpasses</td>
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<td>soil characteristics, water table, design loads, disposition of loads</td>
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**Assessment criteria**

The learner can:
3.1 describe the techniques and **resources** used in **superstructure work**
3.2 explain how **construction techniques** influence the **design** of a structural framed building
3.3 explain **health and safety best practice** to be followed when constructing superstructures.

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<td>bridges, retaining walls, steel and concrete framed buildings</td>
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<td><strong>Construction techniques</strong></td>
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<td>Composite construction, pre-cast concrete, in-situ concrete, structural steel</td>
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<td>Rectangular grid spacing, beams along grid lines, beam depth to span ratio, floor to ceiling heights, structural floors to limit deflection</td>
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Learning outcome
The learner will:
4. understand the techniques used to construct infrastructure

Assessment criteria
The learner can:
4.1 describe the techniques and resources used in infrastructure work
4.2 explain the construction of surface drainage of roads
4.3 explain health and safety best practice to be followed when constructing infrastructure.

Range
Resources
vehicles, plant, equipment
Infrastructure work
roads, rigid and flexible pavements, railways, ancillary works
Surface drainage
soakaways, filter drains, surface water channels, kerbs and gullies
Health and safety best practice
risk assessments, method statements, compliance with relevant legislation (Health and Safety at Work Act, Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations, Construction Design and Management Regulations)
Appendix 1  Sources of general information

The following documents contain essential information for centres delivering City & Guilds qualifications. They should be referred to in conjunction with this handbook. To download the documents and to find other useful documents, go to the Centres and Training Providers homepage on www.cityandguilds.com.

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- The centre and qualification approval process and forms
- Assessment, verification and examination roles at the centre
- Registration and certification of candidates
- Non-compliance
- Complaints and appeals
- Equal opportunities
- Data protection
- Frequently asked questions.
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