Level 4 Diploma in Civil Engineering (9208-03)

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Qualification at a glance



Subject area	Engineering
City & Guilds number	9208
Age group approved	18+
Entry requirements	N/A
Assessment	 Externally set, internally marked assignments Dated written papers
Fast track	N/A
Support materials	Qualification handbook
Registration and certification	Consult the Walled Garden/Online Catalogue for last dates

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1 Introduction



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

Area	Description
Who is the qualification for?	It for learners who work or want to work as Civil Engineers in the Engineering sector
What opportunities for progression are there?	It allows learners to progress into employment or to the following City & Guilds qualifications:
	 Level 5 Advanced Technician Diploma in Civil Engineering

2 Structure

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.

City & Guilds unit number	Unit title	Unit Level	GLH	NLH
Mandatory units				
Unit 439	Applied Mathematics for Civil Engineering	4	60	150
Unit 440	Site Surveying	4	60	150
Unit 441	Structural Mechanics	4	60	150
Unit 442	Geotechnics and Soil Mechanics	4	60	150
Unit 443	Materials for Civil Engineering	4	60	150
Unit 444	Hydraulics in Civil Engineering	4	60	150
Unit 446	Communications, Manual Drafting and CAD for Engineers	4	60	150
Unit 447	Civil Engineering Construction Techniques	4	60	150
Elective unit				
Unit 422	Personal and Professional Development	4	25	100

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.

5 Assessment



City & Guilds has written the following assessments to use with this qualification:

Unit	Title	Assessment method	Where to obtain assessment materials
422	Personal and Professional Development	Assignment set by City & Guilds, internally marked, externally verified	www.cityandguilds.com
439	Applied Mathematics for Civil Engineering	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden
440	Site Surveying	Assignment set by City & Guilds, internally marked, externally verified Assignment	www.cityandguilds.com
441	Structural Mechanics	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden
442	Geotechnics and Soil Mechanics	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden
443	Materials for Civil Engineering	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden
444	Hydraulics in Civil Engineering	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden
446	Communications, Manual Drafting and CAD for Engineers	Assignment set by City & Guilds, internally marked, externally verified Assignment	www.cityandguilds.com

Unit	Title	Assessment method	Where to obtain assessment materials
447	Civil Engineering Construction Techniques	Dated entry written exam paper	Question papers ordered via Walled Garden

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

Outcome	Number of marks	%
1 Be able to use algebraic methods to analyse and solve civil engineering problems	20	20
2 Be able to solve civil engineering problems using trigonometry	25	25
3 Be able to use differential and integral calculus to solve civil engineering problems	25	25
4 Be able to use statistical concepts to describe data	20	20
5 Be able to apply probability techniques to solve civil engineering problems	10	10
Total	100	100

Test:	Unit 441 Structural Mechanics
Duration:	3 hours
Grading:	Pass/Merit/Distinction

Outcome	Number of marks	%
1 be able to determine reactions and forces, bending moments, shear forces and deflections	40	40
2 be able to design simple beams and columns	30	30
3 be able to calculate pressures and factors of safety on retaining walls	30	30
Total	100	100

Test:	Unit 442 Geotechnics and Soil Mechanics
Duration:	3 hours
Grading:	Pass/Merit/Distinction

Outcome	Number of marks	%
1 Understand common rock types, their formation and use	20	20
2 Understand the properties of soil	40	40
3 Be able to analyse the shear strength of soils and the mechanics of cohesion	20	20
4 Understand the basic principles of soil compaction and consolidation	20	20
Total	100	100

Test:	Unit 443 Materials for Civil Engineering
Duration :	2 hours
Grading:	Pass/Merit/Distinction

Outcome	Number of marks	%
1 Know the materials used in civil engineering	20	20
2 Understand how the physical properties of civil engineering materials affect their use	40	40
3 Understand how civil engineering materials are protected from deterioration and failure in use	40	40
Total	100	100

Test: Duration: Grading:	Unit 444 Hydraulics for Civil Engineering 3 hours Pass/Merit/Distinction		
Outcome		Number of marks	%
1 Understand static and dynamic fluids		20	20
2 Understand the principles of fluid flow in pipes and channels		20	20
3 Be able to design pipe networks 45		45	45
4 Understand the characteristics of pumps 15		15	
	Total	100	100

Test:	Unit 447 Civil Engineering Construction Techniques
Duration:	3 hours
Grading:	Pass/Merit/Distinction

Outcome	Number of marks	%
1 Understand the techniques and resources used to construct earthworks	25	25
2 Understand the techniques used to construct substructures	20	20
3 Understand the techniques used to construct superstructures	30	30
4 Understand the techniques used to construct infrastructure	25	25
Total	100	100

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.

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.

	Pass	Merit	Distinction
Level	Learner:	Learner:	Learner:
4	Capable of making informed decisions, likely to have achieved a grade at Level 3 (Merit / Distinction), starting to have sufficient skills to bring value to the	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. Evidence:	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.
	industry, is becoming	Full attempt at assessment, well	Evidence:
	comfortable with occupational systems and procedures.	defined tasks completed with minimal guidance, able to follow the required process, higher level skills / knowledge / competence displayed for the	Full achievement of assessment completely independently, within the time given, ie efficient use
	Evidence:	industry, can plan, can solve	of time.
	Complex tasks may present some challenge, partial attempt at assessment, 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. Limited reflection on the outcomes of the task.	problems more effectively and confidently. Sufficient reflection on the outcomes of the task.	Detailed / in-depth reflection on the outcomes of the task with recommendations for improvement / alternatives.

	Pass	Merit	Distinction
Level	Learner:	Learner:	Learner:
5	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	Full understanding of systems and procedures, can work with minimal to no guidance, determination to resolve issues, taking ownership and responsibility for own learning, desire to excel.	High level of understanding, evaluation and competence in overall systems and procedures, clearly achieving a higher level of academic study. Has an ability to carry out tasks without guidance and shows own initiative.
	systems and	Evidence:	Evidence:
	procedures.	Full attempt at assessment, well defined tasks completed with minimal guidance, able to follow the required process,	Full achievement of assessment completely independently, within the
	Evidence:	higher level skills / knowledge / competence displayed for the industry, can plan, can solve problems more effectively and confidently. Good reflection on the outcomes of the task.	of time.
	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.		Detailed / in-depth reflection on the outcomes of the task with recommendations for improvement / alternatives.
	Satisfactory reflection on the outcomes of the task.		

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

GLH:25Assessment method:AssignmentAim: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	Level:	4
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Learning outcome		
The learner will:		
 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.		

Benefits

personal - update skills, gain new skills, increase motivation, confidence

professional - career progression, meeting organisation goals, how role fits into organisation

Development opportunities

- internal and external
- skills: inter-personal, enterprise, self-management and leadership
- knowledge: qualifications

Learning outcome

The learner will:

2. understand how people learn

Assessment criteria

The learner can:

- 2.1 explain the principles of how people learn
- 2.2 describe different learning styles
- 2.3 evaluate learning resources to support development
- 2.4 analyse the use of different **learning strategies**.

Range

Principles

relevant theories, methodologies, pedagogies, codes of ethics

Learning styles

visual, aural, physical, logical, social, solitary

Learning resources

libraries; organisation's resources, IT, internet, progress files, portfolio development

Learning strategies

awareness of personal style e.g. activist, pragmatist, theorist, reflector, interactions with others, taking responsibility for own development, effective time-management, structured reflection

Learning outcome

The learner will:

3. be able to produce personal and professional development plans

Assessment criteria

The learner can:

- 3.1 carry out **self-audit** of skills and experience
- 3.2 identify targets for personal and professional development
- 3.3 use methods to track personal development
- 3.4 create a personal and professional development plan.

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

Learning outcome

The learner will:

4. be able to make recommendations for personal and professional development

Assessment criteria

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.

Range

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

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

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

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

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:

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.

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

Intergrals

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

Level:	4
GLH:	60
Assessment method:	Assignment
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:	ar surveying equipment to produce drawings

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:

2. 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:

3. 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:

4. 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.

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

Level:	4
GLH:	60
Assessment method:	Dated written paper
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:
 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) Columns 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, andersite, 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**.

Properties of soil

dry, bulk, saturated and submerged densities, void ratio, porosity, moisture content, liquid limit, degree of saturation, permeability, specific gravity

Total stress

effective stress, and hydrostatic pore pressure for ground conditions **Stresses**

incline planes, general two dimensional systems, direct/shear stress on any plane, principal plane/ stresses, maximum shear stress

Learning outcome

The learner will:

4. understand the basic principles of soil compaction and consolidation

Assessment criteria

The learner can:

- 4.1 compare soil compaction and consolidation
- 4.2 explain the basic principles of soil consolidation
- 4.3 describe the nature of **lateral pressure** which can exist within a soil mass
- 4.4 determine the pressure on retaining walls due to liquid and active earth pressure
- 4.5 calculate factors of safety of retaining walls.

Range

Lateral pressure

Rankine theory of pressures, Coulomb wedge theory, methods of calculating lateral forces on a structure, influence of ground water.

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 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.

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**.

Physical properties

strength, elasticity, porosity, water absorption, thermal movement, moisture movement, durability, workability, density

Use

resistance to loads, water and other forms of chemical and physical degradation' durability, ease of installation, relative costs, implications for sustainability and the environment

Learning outcome

The learner will:

3. understand how civil engineering materials are protected from deterioration and failure in use

Assessment criteria

The learner can:

- 3.1 explain the **mechanisms** by which civil engineering materials deteriorate and fail in use
- 3.2 justify the **methods** used to protect civil engineering materials.

Range

Mechanisms

over-loading, corrosion, fatigue, creep, fungal and insect attack, sulphate attack, ultra-violet (UV) attack, efflorescence

methods

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

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.
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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.	

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 $% \left({\left[{{{\rm{NN}}} \right]_{\rm{NN}}} \right)_{\rm{NN}} \right)$

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**.

Types of pumps

rotodynamic and hydrostatic pumps, pumps in parallel and in series **Operation of pumps**

pump resistance, pump choice

Unit 446 Communications, Manual Drafting and CAD for Engineers

Level:	4
GLH:	60
Assessment method:	Assignment
Aim:	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:
 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 .

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

analysis 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.

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

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.

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

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.

Drawing tools

line, polyline, circle, trim, extend, copy, offset, hatch, explode, mirror

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.

Range

Resources

vehicles, plant, equipment

Substructure work

piling, stabilising ground, foundations, drainage, public utilities, culverts, underpasses

Factors

soil characteristics, water table, design loads, disposition of loads

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:

3. understand the techniques used to construct superstructures

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.

Range

Resources

vehicles, plant, equipment

Superstructure work

bridges, retaining walls, steel and concrete framed buildings

Construction techniques

Composite construction, pre-cast concrete, in-situ concrete, structural steel

Design

Rectangular grid spacing, beams along grid lines, beam depth to span ratio, floor to ceiling heights, structural floors to limit deflection

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:

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





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