# CE-220: Fundamentals of Civil Engineering

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### Lecture 1 - 1/25/22

- Course Description
  - Planning, execution, and interpretation of drawings and specifications for Civil Engineering projects.
  - Sample drawings and specifications.
  - Contractual requirements and sample contracts.
  - Permitting, scheduling, and cost estimation.
  - Basic operations of design and construction firms.
  - Interface with other disciplines on Civil Engineering projects.
- Midterm
  - Likely March 8, before Spring Break.
  - Multiple choice questions (might have multiple right answers)
- Final group project/presentation
- Grading
  - Class participation: 20%
  - Quizzes: 15%
  - HW: 20%
  - Midterm: 15%
  - Final Project: 30%
- Office Hours: 4:30 5:00, 8:00 8:30, by appointment
- 10 points deducted for each week that an assignment is late.
- Recommended readings: ENR, ASCE, any professional journals of interest
- Abbreviated notes will be posted in teams. Take notes like they won't be.
- Civil Engineering Sub-Disciplines
  - Airport Engineering
  - Architectural Engineering
  - Coastal Engineering
  - Construction Engineering
  - Earthquake Engineering
  - Environmental Engineering
  - Forensic Engineering
  - Geotechincal Engineering

- Highway Engineering
- Ports and Marine Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- Municipal/Urban Engineering
- Railway Engineering
- Site Engineering
- Structural Engineering
- Transportation Engineering
- Wastewater/Water Resources Engineering
- Civil Engineers fulfill society's needs, a service profession.
- Introduction
  - The Process from Request for Qualifications and Proposal for initial Planning to Opening Day for the Project.
    - \* Where it begins
    - \* A "Need" is identified
      - · Owner needs to develop property purchased to lease for income (return on investment)
      - · Inspectors note that deck deterioration is advanced and needs repair/replacement.
      - · Trafic demands have grown to regularly "jam" the route and no viable alternates are available.
    - \* Scope developed usually by owner or owner's representative (program manager for major projects)
    - \* Request for Qualifications (RFQ) or Request for Proposal (RFP) for Design issued by Owners
      - · Lists qualifications needed (Sometimes 2-step process: RFQ first and shortlisted teams get the RFP second).
      - · Objectives and Scope of Work are detailed
      - · Schedule is defined
      - · Criteria
  - The Players Relationships among Owners, Designers, Builders (and sometimes Financers)
    - \* Owner/Owner's Representative
    - \* Designer/Engineer Develops construction (or contract) Documents (CDs). Supports construction (reviews of Contractor's alternatives, RFIs, Means and Methods, relays design intent).
    - \* Contractor Bids on work defined in CDs. Lowest qualified bidder (usually) gets awarded the contract.
    - \* Resident/Construction Inspector Assures work is performed in accordace with CDs. Processes pay requisitions. Coordinates submissions to/from designer.
    - \* Quality Control/Quality Assurance/Testing
    - \* **Design-Bid-Build** Contractual relationships between owner and engineer and owner and contractor. Cooperative support between engineer and contractor.
    - \* Roles civil engineers play: Designer, Resident/Owner's Representative, Contractor, Owner, Maintenance Engineer, QA/QC.
  - New Construction Case Study Tacoma Narrows Bridge
    - \* Timeline for Tacoma Narrows Bridge
      - · 1994 WSDOT Public Private Initiative Announced
      - · 1996 Major Investment Study

- · 1996/98 Environmental Impact Studies
- $\cdot$  1999 Project Standards and Criteria Development
- · 2000 Basic Configuration and Initial Design
- · 2001 Determination of Fixed Price
- $\cdot$  2002 Legislation enacted and bonds shortlisted
- $\cdot 2002$  Notice to proceed 9/25/2002
- $\cdot$  2007 Opening day 7/17/2007
- \* Financial mechanisms for procuring and paying for projects.
  - · Buidlings v. Bridges
  - · Procurement Methods
  - · Conventional Design-Bid-Build (DBB)
  - · Design/Build (DB) and Progressive Design/Build (PDB)
  - · Public-Private Partnerships (P3) and Design-Build-Bid-Operate-Maintain (DBOM)
  - · Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC)
  - · Last three are called alternate delivery (AltD)
  - · Conventional Design-Bid-Build: Owner  $\rightarrow$  Design  $\rightarrow$  contract bid then built **Engineering Oriented**: Owner controlled, low risk, low opportunity.
  - Design-Build and P3: Owner → 30-40% Design and RFP → Design/Build teams advance design, bid then final designed/built staged. Also adds finance/operate/maintain in P3.
    Construction Oriented: Contractor controlled, managed risk, better opportunity.
  - Progressive Design-Build: Owner  $\rightarrow$  5-10% Design and RFP  $\rightarrow$  PDB teams selected on qualifications, advance design with owner and owner's representative.

Investor Oriented: Investor controlled, high risk, high opportunity.

- · CMGC Owner "brokers" the marriage
- · Private public Partnerships, Design/Build/Operate/Maintain and other concepts
- · Bonding/Tolling and it's place in financing
- · Federally funded projects interstate system
- · Real estate and tax implications
- \* Contracts for Design
  - · General Terms and Conditions: Standard of care, Insurance, Payment terms, other "legalese"
  - · Scope of Work
  - $\cdot$  Compensation types of Contracts
  - · Schedule for project
  - · Special provisions
- \* Construction Inspection and Construction Management
- \* Contracts for Contractors General terms and conditions (Division 1). The rest is the construction documents (plans and specifications, usually done by the design engineer)
- Rehabilitation Case Study Verrazzano Narrows Upper Level Deck Replacement
  - \* First phase Study and design brief
    - · Notice to proceed 12/2003
    - · Two viable operations: steel orthotropic and concrete filled steel grid.
    - · Traffic studies to determine workable staging
    - · Utility survey to evaluate relocation
    - · Analyses to "global" impact of each alternative
    - · Final recommendations
    - · Two conceptual (10%) designs
    - · Budgetary cost estimates
  - \* Second Phase Designer

- · Two main construction contracts (Part A: Utility Relocation and Part B: Deck Replacement)
- · Two prototypes (Trinidad Lake asphalt pavement at throggs neck bridge and orthotropic deck for fabrication "proof of concept" and fatigue tests)
- · Additional Wind Tunnel Testing
- · Value Engineering
- · Constructability review
- · Final Design VN-90A December 2008
- · Survey How Dissimilar might the panels be?

#### - Recent Trends

- \* Sustainability Going "Green" needs to be part of process early if it will be followed through to completion.
- \* Integrated Project Delivery/BIM

#### • Homework 0

- Do one random act of kindness
- You cannot personally benefit from this
- You must not tell anyone what it is
- If the person you did it for finds out, it doesn't count

# Lecture 2 - 2/1/22

- Project documentation
  - Contract/"Boilerplate"
  - Specifications
  - Plans
  - Engineer's estimate
- Bridges vs. Buildings
- Interdisciplinary projects
- Conflicts and Contradictions minimizing them
- Civil Engineering Sub-Disciplines
  - Airport Engineering
    - \* JFK Terminal 4
    - \* LaGuardia Airport re-envisioned
  - Architectural Engineering
    - \* San Francisco's Salesforce tower
    - \* Atlanta's Mercedes Benz Stadium
    - \* Major coordination with architects and other trades
    - \* Customers demanding more "bells and whistles" and "moving parts"
    - \* Facade and structural glass specialties are becoming a "thing"
  - Coastal Engineering
    - \* Waterfront work: Levees and flood protection, bulkheads, seawalls, scour protection
    - \* Beach erosion mitigation: Jetties, groins, sand replenishment, delta preservation

- \* Offshore structures: Oil rigs, wind farms, bridge pier scour protection, wave and tidal generators
- Construction Engineering
  - \* Means and Methods: Staging, formwork and falsework, concrete curing plans.
  - \* Traffic control plans
  - \* Shop drawings
  - \* Fabrication procedures
  - \* Erection procedures
  - \* Sizing cranes for construction: Temporary track driven cranes, tower cranes, gantries
  - \* Transportation problem solver
  - \* Procurement
- Earthquake Engineering
  - \* Seismology
  - \* Soil effects
    - · Soil-structure interaction coming up with the springs
    - · Attenuation/amplification from intervening soil layers
  - \* Tectonics movement of plates
  - \* Monitoring and prediction modeling
  - \* Stuctural analysis
    - · Response spectra
    - · Multi-modal response spectra
    - · Time history
    - $\cdot$  Design elements
  - \* Research and Development
    - · Active/passive damping systems
    - · Innovative bearings (isolation, friction/pendulum)
- Environmental Engineering
  - \* Water treatment
    - · Controls for effluent and runoff
    - · Groundwater, settlement basins
    - $\cdot$  Desalination
    - $\cdot$  Waste treatment
    - · Cleanup from spills
  - \* Air
    - · Air quality effluent control/scrubbers, etc.
    - · Indoor air Quality: Dust control / filtering, Cleaning chemical pollutants
  - \* Noise control, indoor and out
  - \* Soil-structure: Erosion controls (planting, hay bales, riprap, etc.)
- Forensic Engineering
- Geotechincal Engineering
  - \* Soils
    - · Geotechnical investigations
    - · Classifying
    - · Soil improvement: Stone columns, Soilcreting/jet grouting
    - $\cdot$  Settlement control/preconsolidation
    - · Highway and utility work

- \* Foundations
  - · Spread footings and mats
  - · Pile foundations many kinds
  - · Support of excavation: Tie-backs and sheeting, soil nailing
  - · Tunnels, shafts
- Highway Engineering
  - \* Alignments plan and profile
  - \* Cross sections
  - \* Mass haul optimization
  - \* Utility plans and relocations
  - \* Pavement boxes
  - \* Curbs, sidewalks, paths, driveways
  - \* Survey coordination
  - \* Drainage
  - \* Signalization and lighting
  - \* Speed and red-light enforcement
  - \* Traffic control
  - \* Striping
  - \* Signing
- Ports and Marine Engineering
- Materials Engineering
  - \* Metallurgy and alloying
    - · High performance steels
    - · Other metals
    - · Corrosion protection Coatings, metalizing, cathodic protection, etc.
    - \* Concrete
      - · New mixes and materials: Glassphalt, lightweight aggregates, cements, fly ash, slag, and pozzolans, fiber reinforcement, ultra-high-performance concrete (UHPC)
    - \* Asphalts and binders
    - \* Research and Development
      - · Plastics and composites, including carbon
      - · Fiber reinforced polymers (FRP)
      - · Nanotechnology
      - · Reuse of waste materials in new work
- Municipal/Urban Engineering
  - \* Utilities/Infrastructure
    - · Communications phone, broadband, cable, cell cites
    - · Electric and power generation/distribution
    - · Gas storage and distribution
    - · Steam
    - · Sewage/sanitary
    - · Pump stations
  - \* Mapping
  - \* Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
  - \* Parkland development and maintenance
  - \* Streetscape

- \* Zoning and city Planning
- \* Maintenance
- Railway Engineering
  - \* Railroad design
    - · Alignments: Plan, Profile, tolerances get tighter with increased Speed
    - · Track work: Rail (continuously welded), frogs and switches, ballast, clamps
    - · Signals
    - · Platforms and "gaps"
    - · Mezzanines and station design
    - · Bridge and tunnel design
    - · Embankments and retaining walls
- Site Engineering
  - \* Permitting
  - \* Site plans
  - \* Drainage
  - \* Sanitary sewers
  - \* Parking lots
  - \* Survey coordination
  - \* Curbs, sidewalks, paths, driveways
  - \* Utility plans and relocations
  - \* Site and facility lighting
  - \* Signing and striping
- Structural Engineering
  - \* Buildings
  - \* Bridges
  - \* Retaining walls
  - \* Tunnels
  - \* Special structures
    - · Guyed towers
    - · Blast design
    - $\cdot$  Shells and domes
    - · Fabric structures
    - · Stadiums
    - · Oil rigs
    - $\cdot$  Wind farms
    - $\cdot$  Transfer stations
    - · Ports and marine structures
- Transportation Engineering
  - \* Transportation surveys
  - \* Planning, modeling, and studies
  - \* Operations
  - \* Highway Systems
    - $\cdot$  Traffic projections
    - · Toll studies and financing
    - $\cdot$  Tolling methods
    - · Bike lanes and pedestrian paths

- \* Mass transit
  - · Bus Systems
  - · Metro and light rail systems
  - · Commuter rail systems
  - · High-speed Rail
  - $\cdot$  Fare collection systems
- \* Carpooling and other alternative transportation
- Wastewater/Water Resources Engineering
  - \* Water supply
  - \* Testing and treatment
  - \* Storage
  - \* Distribution
  - \* Pumping stations
  - \* Maintenance
  - \* Fire lines
  - \* Desalination
  - \* Wells and Aquifiers
  - \* Irrigation
  - \* Hydraulic Studies
    - · Dams
    - · River backwater studies
    - · Flooding studies
- Sub-Disciplines: Wrap-up
  - Lots to choose from
  - Many overlap
  - None are stagnant continuous developments keep things interesting
  - Plenty of long-term opportunities
- Planning and permitting Subject overview
  - Private v. Public: Who's in charge?
    - \* Architects tend to take lead on private work/buildings
      - $\cdot$  Contract with the owners
      - · Subcontract to structural, mechanical, electical, and plumbing designers
      - · Make decisions on overall configuration
      - · Tend to be the "LEEDers" for Sustainability decisions
    - \* Civil Engineers tend to take the lead on public works/bridges
      - · Many major bridges do not have architectural involvement
      - · Geotech, Architects, MEP subs to structural or civil
  - Planning: Site selection, preliminary bedgeting, feasibility studies
    - \* Site selection
      - · Owner purchases property, often in consultation with designers
      - · Owner objectives = "program"
      - · Proximity to utilities/transportation
      - · LEED of ENV SP criteria
    - \* Preliminary Budgeting

- · Does it make economic sense?
- · Cost/benefit analysis
- · Financing bonds or loans needed?
- \* Feasibility studies
  - · Any fatal flaws in the plan?
  - · Work arounds possible?
- Environmental Assessment Impacts to consider
  - \* Water Quality
    - · Additional runoff created?
    - · Settlement ponds or permeable areas
  - \* Air Quality
  - \* Dust and noise control during construction
  - \* Additional traffic generated?
  - \* Wildlife affected?
  - \* Parkland
  - \* Open Spaces
  - \* Cultural Resources
  - \* Historical Resources
  - \* Natural Resources
  - \* Quality of Life
- Major investment studies
  - \* Will it pay off?
  - \* Depends on: Cost/benefit analysis, Life cycle costs, return on investment
  - \* Financing options

# Lecture 3 - 2/8/22

- Procurement Mechanisms for Civil projects
  - "Conventional" "Design-Bid-Build"
    - \* Designer selected by qualifications and often cost, workload and/or politics.
    - \* Design developed to 100% complete
    - \* Usually several submissions (40%, 70%, 95%)
    - \* Each submission consists of several steps
      - $\cdot$  Design development and submission
      - · Owner comments
      - · Comment resolution
    - \* 100% contract documents get released to bid
    - \* Bid phase includes
      - · Pre-bid meeting/walkthrough
      - · Q&A/RFIs from Contractors
      - $\cdot$ Issue Addenda/Clarifications/Amplifications if needed
      - . Bid
      - · Bid review: Verify qualifications for each bidder, watch for irregularities and unbalanced bids.
      - · Contract awarded (signed and executed)
    - \* Generally contract goes to "Lowest qualified bidder".

- \* Takes longer to implement
- \* Owner controls each step
- \* Owner procures 10-30% design bid package: Package has criteria, rules established, package typically also has indicative plans.
- \* Package released to design/build teams to bid
- \* Design/Build teams
  - · Value engineer/Innovate
  - · Advance design only enough to bid
  - · Sometimes "qualifications package" first
  - · Always bid
  - · Usually low bid wins, but not always
  - · Quality points often count
  - $\cdot$  Award made
  - · Construction starts as final design proceeds
  - · Owner reviews work packages along the way
  - · Task force meetings for all stakeholders
- \* Now "Standard operating procedure" for MTA agencies for projects ; \$25M
- Work packages
  - \* WPB1: Suspension system
  - \* WPB2: Suspended superstructure
  - \* WPB3: Towers
  - \* WPB4: Anchorages
  - \* WPB5: Miscellaneous Appurtenances
  - \* WPB8: Deck Finishes
  - \* Project Specs: 100% Project specifications
  - \* CES-003: Temporary Grout Tube Supports
  - \* Construction Photographs
  - \* Design
- Private Public partnerships, Design/Bid/Build/Operate/Maintain and other concepts
  - \* Like design build, and then some!
  - \* Rules all vary greatly
  - \* Not always low bid!
    - · Qualifications
    - · Financial terms, solvency, and serviceability and handoff
    - · "Value" to the ultimate owner
- Bonding/Tolling/Rent
  - \* Financing government bonds
  - \* Toll Levels/Rent established to pay them back
  - \* Tolls/rent collections also need to pay for maintenance, capital improvements
- Federally Funded Projects Interstate System and Mega Projects
  - \* Major public works "Helped make us a great nation"
  - \* Keeps jobs, helps the economy get/keep going during construction
  - \* Keeps transportation lines efficient
  - \* Bipartisan infrastructure law passed
  - \* Some becoming toll roads, make money
- Real estate market

- \* Fluctuations in price are natural
- \* 3WTC history lesson
- Tax implications
  - \* Incentives Amazon's HQ2
  - \* Then it fell apart.
- Insurance and Bonding capacity can limit project size
  - Contractor's Insurance Required
    - \* Comprehensive general liability and property damage insurance
    - \* Worker's compensation
    - \* Marine liability
    - \* Other insurance for special risk cases
  - Owner's protective liability
  - Wrap-up project insurance for mega-projects
    - \* Covers all parties
    - \* More efficient
    - \* Less common lately
  - Payment and performance bond
    - \* Surety company
    - \* Ratings
    - \* Bonding capacity

#### • Homework 1

- Pick a recent project that you want to learn more about. Research the following items and present as a short essay in Five numbered outline/paragraphs corresponding to the list below, citing sources along the way and bulletizing as much as possible.
  - 1. The players: A) Owner, B) Designer(s), and C) Contractor
  - 2. Initial idea: A) Whose idea, B) when, C) why, D) what need filled, etc.
  - 3. Timeline: Studies, permits, etc., through completion
  - 4. Funding Sources/Mechanisms to pay for the facility
  - 5. Procurement mechanism for the owner to get it done (DBB, DBBOM, etc.)
- Along the way, explain why you believe these guiding decisions were made the way they were.
- A Bit on Calculations
  - You will be well-prepared by the cooper union
  - Calculations form the basis of our designs
  - They must conform to the design criteria
  - The results must be reflected in the design details
  - Computers are stupid, much calculation (units units units)
- A bit on drafting
  - A bit of AutoCAD
  - Scale is important!
  - Cutting sections and showing details
- A bit on technical writing

- Each form of writing has its own style
- Larger firms sometimes have their own style guide
- Your bosses will want you to emulate them
- Drawing preparation and organization
  - Title sheet
  - List of drawings
  - General plan and elevation
  - Scope of work
  - General notes
  - Material notes
  - Notes along the way: References to pay items, perscriptive instructions on means/method, don't repeat anything in specs.
  - Abbreviations
  - Existing conditions/demolition
  - Make sure pay items in specifications are clear and fully coordinated.
- Plan preparation and organization
  - Plans show arrangement, include a North arrow and jump to: Sections, elevations, part plans, details
  - Use cross-references to other drawings, specifications
  - Sections, elevations
  - Everything must be set out to "tell a story" and build towards an understanding of the "whole"
  - Scales don't over-mix!
  - Tie it all together, make usre everything is consistent and coordinated.
  - Most clients want electronic delivery from PDF to CADD native files
  - Plan prep for public vs. private sector
- Horizontal Alignments Horizontal Curves an Stationing
  - Roads and rails aren't straight
  - Stationing is how distance is measured
  - 1 Station is 100'
  - Rails and highways gradually change from tangent to curve

# Lecture 4 - 2/15/22

- Sample Structural drawings
- Legend

### Lecture 5 - 2/22/22

- HW 2 and HW 3 are going to happen concurrently.
- March 8 is the midterm
  - Part 1: Multiple choice (multiple right answers)
  - Part 2: Short essay
- San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge
  - Sequence
  - Format
  - Linework
  - Font Sizes
  - Scales
  - Plan views with north arrows
- What is BIM? (2D, 3D Laser Scanning, GIS, Digital Terrain Models, Geometric Controls, Project Schedule, Database Attributes)
  - 4D: Time
  - 5D: Scheduling
  - Intelligent Labeling: Auditorium plan view, automatic labeling from a database
  - BIM replicates our 3D thinking digitally
  - Allows for more brand Interdisciplinary collaboration
  - BIM produces drawings as needed the 3D, 4D, or 5D design is the deliverable.
  - Purpose
    - \* Rich models of design
    - \* Reduce errors
  - Benefits
    - \* Better visualization
    - \* Improved productivity
- Specifications Preparation Outline
  - Bridges vs. Buildings
  - Standard Specification with Supplementary Specifications
  - CSI/MasterSpec
  - Secttions
    - \* "Boilerplate" / "Division 1" Laying down the "Law"
    - \* Technical specifications: Sometimes handling pay items within, Sometimes separate section for handling pay items unit prices, lump sum, etc.
    - \* Coordination with the drawings, specs, and estimate
- MasterSpec/CSI Format
  - Five digit number 1995
  - Six digit number 2004 version when new sections added
  - first two digits are "Division" number in 2004
  - Each technical section has a similar outline

- Typical CS Format 1995 version
  - Division 1 usually comes from the owner in public sector work
  - Other sections do as well coatings, health and safety, and other agency-wide specs too
- Get your PE right away!

# Lecture 6 - 3/1/22

- WMATA Background: WMATA was created in 1967 by a tri-state compact between CA, MD, and DC, ratified by congress.
- At start: Many unknowns
  - Earn public trust that bus/rail travel is safe.
  - Effectively communicate changing service/fare plans.
  - Protect employees and customers.
  - Serve essential workers/industries.
  - Organizational and financial survival.
  - Help to prevent the collapse of civilization.

### • Ridership

- Historic losses in ridership.
- Challenging revenue losses (fares, non-fares, Federal Stimulus).
- Significant unplanned expenses.
- Protecting Employees and customers
  - January 2020: Implemented Pandemic Plan/Pandemic Task Force
  - Mid-March 2020
    - $\ast$  To reduce employee exposure and cross-contact, implemented A/B split schedules. Service reduced to 30-40% of normal.
    - \* To reduce the use of cleaning supplies, 19 low-use stations were closed to customers.
- Expand Reconstruction Work During Low ridership
  - High-Level concept
    - \* During low-ridership period, use surges for maintenance, larger shutdowns for previously planned work.
    - \* Catch up from early covid delays, and get ahead if possible.

#### • Opportunities

- Monitor crowding to adjust service. Implement real-time crowding information.
- Coordinate with the jurisdictions on new temporary or permanent dedicated bus lanes.
- Customer communication advertising campaign.
- Advance mobile payment apps.
- Anticipating Rider Behavior Post-Pandemic
  - Customer research conducted throughout to inform plan.
  - Rider focus groups to learn about concerns, preferences, and information sources.

- It's easy to shut stuff down, but it's not easy to bring service back.

#### • Budget Challenges

- Rail fare revenue was major contributor to budget.
- Largely driven by peak hour, long-distance commuters, federal commuters.
- Rail costs are largely fixed.
- Fewer riders means lower revenue.

#### • COVID-19 Related Challenges

- Continues workforce availabilty.
- Unclear future demand and service goals.

### • Equity Customers, Essential Trips

- Half of customers were still riding.
- High percentage of riders in lower-income neighborhoods.

### • Engineering Ethics

- Remain objective and professional.
- Code of Ethics for Engineers
- ASCE Code of Ethics

### • Homework 2

- Lookup the rest of NSPE's Code of Ethics and ASCE's Code of Ethics and read them both.
- Find one common thread and think about how it applies to a similar situation you faced in your life.
- Write about it.
- One page, single-sided.
- Last\_First\_CE220\_HW2.docx or pdf

### • MasterSpec / CSI Format

- Each section has a similar outline
- Header has section number and title

### • Supplementary specifications

- Uses a prevailing standard specification as a starting point.
- Typically general amongst states.