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وزارة التعليم العالي

CE 621 Cost Analysis and Control

College: Engineering
Department: Civil
First: Course Definition
1- Course Code: CE 621
2- Units: 3
3- Semester:
4- Prerequisite:
5- Co-requisite:
6- Location (if not on main Campus):
Second: Course Objectives

- 1 Applying the basic principles of cost accounting, financial analysis, and cost control.
- 2. Providing experiences in the Integration of scheduling and cost control.
- 3. Learn about Systematic cost control as related to job production and historical data

1- Topics to be covered			
Subject	No of Weeks	Units	
Course overview, expectations and teaming	1	3	
Cost terms and purposes	1	3	
Cost volume profit and analysis	1	3	
Job costing	1	3	
Activity based costing/management	1	3	
Master budget/responsibility accounting	1	3	
Flexible budgets, direct cost-variances, team self	1	3	
assessments due as needed.			
Capacity analysis, decision making-relevant information	2	6	
Strategy balance scorecard	1	3	

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Pricing decisions/cost management	1	3
Allocations/profitability analysis	1	3
Management control systems, transfer pricing.	2	6

2- Course components (Total hrs in a semester): 42

Lecture	Excersice	Other
42	-	0

3- Intended Learning Outcomes of the Course (ILO's)

a. Knowledge

i) Description of the knowledge to be acquired:

- The nature of costs, what causes them to be incurred, and how to control them in a variety of industries.
- The application of cost analysis & control concepts using job order and process costing.
- The identification of cost terms and classification.
- Analysis of cost volume profit.
- Determination of breakeven point and output to achieve target income.
- Description of different methods of costing by products and joint products.
- The concept of activity cost based costing.
- The techniques of good cost analysis.
- The correct use of cost information, process and customer related decisions.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop that knowledge

- -Class lectures.
- -Term projects.
- -Students' presentations.
- -Group Discussion

iii) Methods of assessment of knowledge acquired

- --Exams.
- Quizzes.
- Homework assignments.
- Term projects.

b- Cognitive (Intellectual) Skills

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i) Cognitive skills to be developed

- The ability to accumulate costs for a job order cost system and a process cost system.
- The ability to calculate cost and variance for material, labor and overhead in the manufacturing of products.
- The ability to prepare cost analysis for decision making.
- The ability to perform variance analysis.
- The ability to prepare a performance report.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these cognitive skills

- Case studies analysis.
- Class lectures.
- Term projects.

iii) Methods of assessment of students' cognitive skills

- Students' seminars and presentations.
- Term projects.
- Written reports.

c. Interpersonal Skills and Responsibility

i) Description of the interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility to be developed

- Communication skills.
- Decision making based on engineering analysis.
- Team work.

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Case studies analysis.
- Class lectures.
- Term projects.

iii) Methods of assessment of students' interpersonal skills and capacity to carry responsibility

- Term project.
- Students' seminars and presentations.
- Written reports.

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d. Communication, Information Technology and Numerical Skills

i) Description of the skills to be developed in this domain

- Literature research.
- Problems modeling.
- Utilization of computer applications in Cost Analysis and Control

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills

- Class lectures.
- Case studies analysis.
- Computer lab sessions.
- Term projects.

iii) Methods of assessment of students numerical and communication skills

- Term projects.
- Written reports.
- Students' seminars and presentations

e. Psychomotor (if applicable) & Other Non-cognitive Skills

i) Description of the psychomotor or other skills to be developed and the level of performance required

- NA

ii) Teaching strategies to be used to develop these skills-

- NA

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iii) Methods of assessment of student's psychomotor skills

- NA

4- Student Assessment Schedule

Serial	Assessment tool (test, group project, examination etc.)	Week due	Weight
1	Term Project – 1	3 rd	15 %
2	Mid Term Exam -1	7 th	15 %
3	Term Project – 2	10 th	15 %
4	Term Project – 3	13 th	15 %

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5	Final Exam	16 th	40 %
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5- Student Support

- Providing electronic library of textbooks and scientific periodicals.
- Providing the necessary computer applications for the course.

6- Learning Resources

i) Essential Books (References)

- Dagastino, F. & Leslie Feigenbaum, L. "Estimating in Building Construction ". Prentice, Hall, 7th Edition, 2011. ISBN-10: 0-13-119952-8, ISBN-13:978-0-13-119952-1
- Associated General Contractors of America, "Construction Estimating and Bidding in Building Construction", 2nd Edition, 2005.

ii) Course Notes

- NA'

iii) Recommended Books

- Hansen, D.R. & Mowen, M.M & Guan, L. "Cost Management: Accounting and Control", South- Western College Publishing, 6th Edition, 2007.
- Horngren, C.T. "Cost Accounting". Pearson Press, 14th Edition, 2011.
- Humphreys, K.K. "Basic Cost Engineering", CRC Press. 3rd Edition, 1995.
- Tagayun, V.A. "Estimating Bill of Materials". National Bookstore, 2nd Edition, 2002
- Younker, D. "Value Engineering: Analysis & Methodology(Cost Engineering)". CRC Press, 2003.

iv) Electronic Books & Web Sites:

- Scientific journals and forums.
- Instructor's instruction.

v) Periodicals

- ASCE Journal of Construction Engineering and Management
- International Journal of Construction Management
- Journal of Cost Analysis and Management.

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7- Course Evaluation and Improvement Processes

i) Strategies for Obtaining Student Feedback on Effectiveness of Teaching

- Students' questioners.
- Students' evaluation of course and instructor.

ii) Other Strategies for Evaluation of Teaching by the Instructor or by the Department

- Public faculty seminars.
- Assessment by external evaluators of students achievements.

iii) Processes for Improvement of Teaching

- Assessment of students' work by external examiners.
- Analysis of students' evaluation of course and instructor.
- Seminars by industry professionals.

iv) Processes for verifying standards of student achievement

- Check marking by an independent faculty member of a sample of student work.
- Periodic exchange and remarking of a sample of assignments/exams with a external evaluator.

v) Describe the planning arrangements for periodically reviewing course effectiveness and planning for improvement.

- Assessment and evaluation of the level of achieving the course outcomes through a continuous improvement process (part of a quality assurance system established by the university),
- Consequently, actions are to be taken to improve the course delivery when necessary.
- Review of the course objectives, outcomes and curriculum every 2 years.