

# BIT 320B: CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODES IN CONSTRUCTION

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## New Course Proposal

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### Justification / Rationale

This course is Module 2 of 2 of a non-credit overlay version of BIT 20 California Mechanical Codes. The non-credit version provides vocational skills training opportunities to the incumbent workforce and those currently underemployed or unemployed. This module presents covers application of the general requirement provisions, the need for regulation, navigating the California Code manual and the fundamentals of compliance

### Effective Term

Fall 2020

### Credit Status

Noncredit

### Subject

BIT - Building Inspection Technology

### Course Number

320B

### Full Course Title

California Mechanical Codes in Construction

### Short Title

CA MECHANICAL CODES CONST

### Discipline

#### Disciplines List

Building Codes and Regulations (Inspecting of construction, building codes, contractor training)

### Modality

Face-to-Face  
100% Online

### Catalog Description

This course covers application of the California Building and Mechanical Codes used for construction, maintenance, and use of buildings and grounds within the State. It emphasizes an understanding and application of code sections and provisions and the relationships between building and mechanical codes.

### Schedule Description

Application of California Mechanical Codes used for construction, maintenance, and use of buildings and grounds within the State.  
Prerequisite: BIT 320A

### Non-credit Hours

54

### Lecture Units

0

**Lab Units**

0

**In-class Hours**

18

**Out-of-class Hours**

36

**Total Course Units**

0

**Total Semester Hours**

54

**Override Description**

Noncredit courses do not have lecture and lab. The out of class hours were adjusted to provide the same total as the equivalent credit course.

**Prerequisite Course(s)**

BIT 320A

**Required Text and Other Instructional Materials****Resource Type**

Book

**Author**

California Building Standards Commission

**Title**

California Mechanical Code

**Edition**

latest

**City**

Sacramento

**Publisher**

International Association for Plumbing and Mechanical Officials

**Year**

2019

**College Level**

Yes

**Flesch-Kincaid Level**

12.4

**ISBN #**

9781938936944

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**Class Size Maximum**

28

**Entrance Skills**

Understand the codes in construction, regulation and design.

**Requisite Course Objectives**

BIT 320A-Understand the codes in construction, regulation, and design.

**Course Content**

1. Handling and Classification of Hazardous Materials.
2. Responsibilities under Mechanical Codes.
3. Construction Materials Use in Mechanical Codes.
4. Maintenance of Buildings and Property.
5. Building Construction Processes.
6. Types of Construction.

**Course Objectives**

Objectives	
Objective 1	Apply the codes in construction, regulation, and design.
Objective 2	Discuss administered examination used to gain professional certification in the building inspection field.
Objective 3	Discuss skills for employment in private or public construction fields as an inspector or plans examiner.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:	
Outcome 1	Apply provisions with relation to mechanical codes in construction, regulation and design.

**Methods of Instruction**

Method	Please provide a description or examples of how each instructional method will be used in this course.
Lecture	Presentation of topic on context
Discussion	Classroom and group discussions of code application examples.
Participation	Class discussion and questions.
Other (Specify)	Presentation of construction materials

**Methods of Evaluation**

Method	Please provide a description or examples of how each evaluation method will be used in this course.	Type of Assignment
Group activity participation/observation	Evaluate student presentations and complete a critical analysis verbally in class and as a written assignment out of class.	In and Out of Class
Mid-term and final evaluations	Comprehensive exams covering the content of the course. Exams may include a project evaluation completed at home or may be multiple choice and true/false questions in class.	In Class Only
Tests/Quizzes/Examinations	Timed quizzes completed out of class with discussion of correct answers in class.	In and Out of Class
Self-paced testing, Student preparation	Research a mechanical code situation and create a 10-minute presentation.	Out of Class Only
Student participation/contribution	Present 10-minute mechanical code research project identifying both the solution and the research methods used to arrive at the solution.	In Class Only
Other	Out-of-class hours will be accounted for electronically through the learning management system.	Out of Class Only

**Assignments**

**Other In-class Assignments**

1. Presentation of class subjects and materials.
2. Review code sections.
3. Evaluate mechanical code examples.
4. Present mechanical code research projects.

**Other Out-of-class Assignments**

1. Reading assignments of codes and handouts.
2. Visit construction sites.
3. Review code sections presented in classes.
4. Research mechanical code problem and create presentation.
5. Written presentation critique assignments.

**Grade Methods**

Pass/No Pass Only

**Distance Education Checklist****Instructional Materials and Resources****Effective Student/Faculty Contact**

**Which of the following methods of regular, timely, and effective student/faculty contact will be used in this course?**

**Within Course Management System:**

Timely feedback and return of student work as specified in the syllabus  
Discussion forums with substantive instructor participation  
Chat room/instant messaging  
Regular virtual office hours  
Online quizzes and examinations  
Weekly announcements

**External to Course Management System:**

Direct e-mail

**Briefly discuss how the selected strategies above will be used to maintain Regular Effective Contact in the course.**

Students and instructor will participate regularly in individual and group discussions using Canvas. Students will complete online quizzes and overall results will be reviewed with the class

**Other Information**

**Provide any other relevant information that will help the Curriculum Committee assess the viability of offering this course in an online or hybrid modality.**

This course introduces students to the California Mechanical Codes which they will need to read and reference online on their own in the workplace. Online learning is very appropriate.

**MIS Course Data****CIP Code**

46.0403 - Building/Home/Construction Inspection/Inspector.

**TOP Code**

095720 - Construction Inspection

**SAM Code**

C - Clearly Occupational

**Basic Skills Status**

Not Basic Skills

**Prior College Level**

Not applicable

**Cooperative Work Experience**

Not a Coop Course

**Course Classification Status**

Other Non-credit Enhanced Funding

**Approved Special Class**

Not special class

**Noncredit Category**

Short-Term Vocational

**Funding Agency Category**

Not Applicable

**Program Status**

Program Applicable

**Transfer Status**

Not transferable

**Allow Audit**

No

**Repeatability**

Yes

**Repeatability Limit**

NC

**Repeat Type**

Noncredit

**Justification**

Noncredit courses are repeatable until students are comfortable they have obtained the skills and knowledge required to meet the objectives and outcomes of the course.

**Materials Fee**

No

**Additional Fees?**

No

**Approvals****Curriculum Committee Approval Date**

10/17/2019

**Academic Senate Approval Date**

10/24/2019

**Board of Trustees Approval Date**

11/13/2019

**Chancellor's Office Approval Date**

01/10/2020

**Course Control Number**

CCC000611547

**Programs referencing this course**

California Mechanical Codes Certificate of Completion (<http://catalog.collegeofthedesert.eduundefined?key=251/>)