

**I. COURSE INFORMATION:**

- A. Division: Science and Math  
Department: Architecture  
Course ID: ARCH 220  
Course Title: Architectural Computer Aided Drafting I  
Units: 4  
Lecture Hrs: 2  
Laboratory Hrs: 6  
Prerequisite: ARCH 120  
Co requisite: none  
Dept. Advisory: none
- B. Catalog Description: An introduction to theories and principles of computer aided design/drafting (CAD) using AutoCAD and to its principal applications in the field of architecture by generating, evaluating, modeling drafting and rendering design solutions are explored in this course. (*formerly ARCH 141*)
- C. Schedule Description: An introduction to theories and principles of computer aided design/drafting (CAD) using AutoCAD and to its principal applications in the field of architecture by generating, evaluating, modeling, drafting and rendering design solutions.

**II. NUMBER OF TIMES COURSE MAY BE TAKEN FOR CREDIT: once**

**III. EXPECTED OUTCOMES:**

- Upon successful completion of the course, the student should be able to:
- A. Formulate and organize a drawing system by CAD file naming management
  - B. Construct a CAD drawing file
  - C. Differentiate and utilize common CAD tools for drawing
  - D. Distinguish the various drawings, retrieve and modify existing CAD files
  - E. Analyze, organize and produce finished drawings per graphic and industry standards
  - F. Apply principles of field inventory and measurement techniques, and produce a drawing to represent the new or given site field conditions.

**IV. COURSE CONTENT:**

- A. Create new CAD drawing file
  - 1. Implement logical computer drawing file naming system
  - 2. Utilize CAD drawing seed file system
  - 3. Organize necessary tool palettes menus
  - 4. Configure CAD file drawing file settings
    - a. Scale attributes
    - b. Text attributes
    - c. Dimension attributes
    - d. Level symbology
      - i. Color
      - ii. Level
      - iii. Line style
      - iv. Line weight (thickness)
- B. CAD drafting
  - 1. Draw lines, shapes, circles, and arcs to create drawing
  - 2. Modify and manipulate lines, shapes, circles, arcs as needed to update drawing
  - 3. Insert, modify and manipulate text
  - 4. Insert, modify and manipulate dimensions
  - 5. Attach, manipulate reference CAD files
  - 6. Create/insert cells (grouped elements)

- C. Print/plot finished drawing for presentation/production
  - 1. Adjust printing/plotting settings
  - 2. Print/plot drawing and evaluate for presentation quality
- D. Class exercises:
  - 1. Instructor led drafting new border file containing:
    - a. Place filled shapes to create a "border" base drawing
    - b. Insert text
      - i. Name
      - ii. Course information
      - iii. "Date:"
      - iv. "Exercise:"
    - c. Create text data fields
      - i. Actual date
      - ii. Actual exercise number
    - d. Print out border and evaluate for presentation quality
  - 2. Developing CAD skills
    - a. Create and name new CAD drawing file
      - i. File settings
      - ii. Level settings
      - iii. Text settings
      - iv. Dimension settings
    - b. Follow textbook exercise step-by-step as modified by instructor:
      - i. Draw lines, shapes, arcs, and circles
      - ii. Copy, move, stretch, trim,
      - iii. Adjust level symbology
      - iv. Insert and modify text
      - v. Insert and modify dimensions
    - c. Reference in "border" file
      - i. Attach
      - ii. Clip Boundary
      - iii. Move referenced file
      - iv. Copy up and insert actual information
        - a. Date text data field
        - b. Exercise number text data field
    - d. Print final drawing
      - i. Print settings
      - ii. Evaluate print for presentation quality
  - 3. Campus field exercise
    - a. Measure and note actual site field conditions
    - b. CAD draft field conditions drawing
    - c. Print drawing and evaluate presentation quality
  - 4. Final project
    - a. Information given for residential floor plan
      - i. Walls
      - ii. Doors
      - iii. Windows
      - iv. Plumbing fixtures
      - v. Casework
      - vi. Residential appliances
      - vii. Minimal residential furniture
    - b. CAD draft residential floor plan
    - c. Print final drawing
  - 5. Final written examination

**V. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION: (Please check all that apply and add any additional not listed.)**

- Lecture
- Class and/or small group discussion  
Critical evaluation of texts, newspapers, journal articles and other printed research
- Critical evaluation of films, videotapes, audiotapes or other media forms
- Classroom demonstrations
- Field trips
- Guest speakers
- Individual consultation
- Computer presentations
- Group projects and individual projects

**VI. TYPICAL OUT-OF-CLASS ASSIGNMENTS:**

- A. Reading Assignment. Reading assignments are required and may include (but are not limited to) the following: Read chapter on, "Working with Groups" and evaluate the best practices for utilizing groups
- B. Writing Assignment: Writing assignments are required and may include (but are not limited to) the following: You are adding a porch to a friend's home. Consider the utilitarian function and the aesthetic appeal of this project and write your analysis and steps you would take to design the porch.
- C. Drafting Assignment. Computer Aided Drafting assignments are required and may include (but are not limited to) the following: Using the CAD program, prepare a correctly proportioned draft of a one-story house.
- D. Critical Thinking Assignment. Critical thinking assignments are required and may include (but are not limited to) the following: Following an interview with your client and measurements of the allotted space, design a functional unit that addresses the needs of your client. Draft solution(s) utilizing CAD, printing, and presenting solutions to client.

**VII. EVALUATION:**

A student's grade will be based on multiple measures of performance and will reflect the objectives explained above. A final grade of "C" or better should indicate that the student has the ability to successfully apply the principles and techniques taught in this course. These evaluation methods may include, but are not limited to, the following (Please check all that apply, and add additional ones not listed):

- Portfolios
- Projects
- Written papers or reports
- Presentations (oral and visual)
- Work performance (internships or field work)
- Lab work
- Comprehensive examinations (cumulative finals or certifications)
- Peer evaluation
- Self evaluation
- Classroom participation
- Homework exercises
- Final Exam, written and graphic
- Field Site Measure
- Other:

**VIII. TYPICAL TEXTS:**

- A. Mastering AutoCAD-LT 2005, Omura, George, Sybex, 2005.
- B. Inside AutoCAD 2005, Harrington, David; New Rites, 2004.
- C. AutoCAD 2004 for Architecture, Jeffries, A. and Jones, M., Autodesk Press, 2003

- IX. OTHER SUPPLIES REQUIRED OF STUDENTS:**
- A. 3-1/2 inch, 1.44MB, HD computer diskettes
  - B. Architectural and engineer scales
  - C. Library card for Off-Class time printing