



transferred through a reinforced concrete component; design a reinforced concrete member to resist shear forces.

**Slab Behavior and Design:** Describe load transfer mechanisms in one-way slabs; design a one-way slab for flexure, shear, temperature, and shrinkage requirements.

**Development and Serviceability:** Explain the importance of development length as it relates to reinforced concrete member behavior; perform necessary calculations to design a member's development length, bar splices, and bar cutoffs; describe cracking behavior in reinforced concrete members; calculate deflections in a reinforced concrete member.

**Short Column Behavior and Design:** Explain the difference between short and slender columns; identify the types of transverse reinforcement used in columns and reasons for using them; calculate the capacity of a short reinforced concrete column.

**Footing Behavior and Design:** Describe limit states used in design of footings; calculate the reinforcement requirements for strip and spread footings.

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

**Academic Integrity:** Academic Integrity is the cornerstone of higher education and is central to the ideals of this course and the university. Cheating is strictly prohibited and devalues the degree that you are working on. As a member of the NJIT community, it is your responsibility to protect your educational investment by knowing and following the academic code of integrity policy that is found at: <http://www5.njit.edu/policies/sites/policies/files/academic-integrity-code.pdf>.

Please note that it is my professional obligation and responsibility to report any academic misconduct to the Dean of Students Office. *Any student found in violation of the code by cheating, plagiarizing or using any online software inappropriately will result in disciplinary action. This may include a failing grade of F, and/or suspension or dismissal from the university.* If you have any questions about the code of Academic Integrity, please contact the Dean of Students Office at [dos@njit.edu](mailto:dos@njit.edu).

**Communication:** All communication by the Instructor will be done through Canvas. It is your responsibility to check e-mail, and the course page on Canvas regularly.

**Lectures/Class:** Attendance at all lecture/class periods is expected. During class, I will often ask you to work on a problem or brainstorm ideas with the person or people next to you and you will then be called on to provide one or more of your answers. The goal of this in-class work will be to get you started on a problem (not necessarily finish) that we will then discuss. Please turn all cell phones off during class, keep laptops closed, and be respectful to the course instructor and your classmates. You should always bring a pencil and calculator with you to class.

**Online Course Delivery:** *Background/Theory Lectures will be pre-recorded and posted online in Canvas. You are expected to watch these videos before 8:30am on the scheduled date. Videos will be available under the "Lecture Videos" section of course modules. All videos will be available 24 hours in advance of the scheduled lecture time period. In general, these lectures will take you approximately 20 to 30 minutes to watch. These videos will consist of the background/theory that has typically been delivered at the start of our in-person class.*

*During our normal class hours we will meet live (e.g., Monday/Wednesday, 8:30am to 9:50am) to discuss Course Updates and work through Example Problems. You are expected to watch and participate live. Given that we will not be covering the background/theory lecture in a live, we will have additional time to work through additional examples. Our class will meet at the following*

link: <https://njit.webex.com/join.bandelt>. You may need to add a browser extension during our first meeting.

**Handouts:** Copies of the notes used in class will be posted on Canvas throughout the semester at least one day before lecture. It is highly recommended that you print out a set of notes to follow along with during lecture, as notes will be filled on these handouts. A “filled in” version of these notes will be posted after class.

**Prerequisites:** It is assumed that you have a background in structural analysis, mechanics of materials, and statics. These three areas represent the foundation of reinforced concrete behavior and design. For example, if you are asked to design a reinforced concrete member you are expected to know how to calculate the shear force, or moment under a given set of loads. You will not necessarily be given every piece of information you need to solve a problem, but enough to be able to solve it with some looking up of expressions or conducting analyses.

**Homework:** Homework will be assigned to encourage further reading, to extend the material presented in lectures, and to provide practice in arriving at engineering solutions to problems. Completion of the homework is an essential part of the learning process. All homework is to be turned in individually unless specified otherwise on the assignment. If you collaborate with a classmate be sure to state that collaboration and their names at the top of your assignment.

**Homework Format:** It is expected that all homework be presented in an organized manner; use green, yellow or white engineering paper, one side of each page (clear side, not grid side); begin each problem on a new page and number all pages; staple all homework pages together and have your name written clearly on the front page. An example of an acceptable homework solution is available on Canvas.

**Late Homework:** Homework will be due at the beginning of class on the date it is due. Late Homework will be accepted up to two days after the due date with a 10% reduction for each day that it is late. After forty-eight hours, submissions will not be accepted.

**Homework Solutions:** Homework solutions will be posted two days after the homework is due. It is your responsibility to make sure you understand how to solve the problems by attending office hours with the instructor and/or asking questions in class. As with many engineering problems, many solutions may be possible and will be accepted if they follow logical engineering judgement.

**Homework Grading:** All homework should be submitted electronically by students using Gradescope. It is your responsibility to scan your assignment in and upload it to the Gradescope website before 8:30:00 AM on the day that it is due. You may hand your assignment in to the instructor in person, but homework submissions received after 8:30:00 AM will be marked as late.

Homework questions will be graded in terms of a nine-point scheme based on three categories of format, concept, and execution. All homework questions will be equally weighted in determining your final homework grade.

#### Format

One (1) point will be awarded if the solution is formatted with a problem statement and a statement on what is required in the solution

One (1) additional point will be awarded if the engineering solution is presented in an organized and neat fashion that is easy to follow along.

One (1) additional point will be awarded if the solution is completed with a boxed-in answer, including a properly formatted drawing if it is requested in the problem statement.

#### Concept

One (1) point will be awarded if the solution has major errors in the conceptual basis of the solution.

Two (2) points will be awarded if the solution has minor errors in the conceptual basis of the solution.

Three (3) points will be awarded if the solution has no errors in the conceptual basis of the solution.

Execution

One (1) point will be awarded if the solution has two or more math or execution errors.

Two (2) points will be awarded if the solution has one math or execution error.

Three (3) points will be awarded if the solution has zero math or execution errors.

If you believe that an error was made in grading the homework, you should write a short justification of your claim and submit it via Gradescope. Your homework will be reviewed to address your concern. The deadline for submitting a re-grade request is one week after the homework is returned.

**Quizzes:** There will be six (6) unannounced quizzes given throughout the term. Three (3) quizzes will be given in-person and three (3) quizzes will be given online. These quizzes will be unannounced, and based on homework submissions, in-class exercises, and recent lecture material. Your five (5) highest quiz grades will make up your quiz grade in the calculation of your course grade.

In-Person Quizzes: Quizzes will begin at the start of class (8:30am) and conclude after fifteen minutes (8:45am). No make-up or additional time will be given to students who arrive late to class. Since these quizzes will be unannounced, you should always bring a pencil and calculator with you to class. Each quiz will be graded out of six (6) points – three (3) points will be given for concept, and three (3) points will be for execution.

Online Quizzes: Quizzes will be announced at the start of class (8:30am) and you will be given eight (8) hours to complete the quiz (must be completed by 4:30pm). Online quizzes will consist of six multiple choice questions that are each worth one point. Quizzes will be posted on Canvas and an e-mail announcement will be made when the quiz is available.

**Exams:** There will one mid-term examination and a cumulative final exam.

**Calculation of Course Grade:** A weighted average grade will be calculated as follows:

Homework	20%
Quizzes	20%
Mid-term Exam	20%
Final Exam	30%
Floating 1	5% (allocated to an individual student's highest performing category of the four previously outlined categories)
Floating 2	5% (allocated to an individual student's second highest performing category of the four previously outlined categories)

The minimum requirements for final letter grades are as follows:

A = 90.0%, B+ = 85.0%, B = 80.0%, C+ = 75.0%, C = 70.0%, D = 65.0%, F < 65.0%

*Note: Grades are not curved.* It is theoretically possible for everyone in the class to get an A (or an F). Your performance depends only on how you do and how much you learn, not on how everyone else in the class does. It is therefore in your best interest to help your classmates, while acting within the bounds of the stated academic integrity policy (i.e., NJIT's Code of Academic Integrity).

**Instructor Commitment:** You can expect the Instructor to be courteous, punctual, organized, and prepared for lecture and other class activities; to answer questions clearly; to be available during office hours or to notify you beforehand if he is unable to keep them; to provide a suitable guest lecturer or pre-recorded lecture when they are traveling; and to grade uniformly and consistently.

**Students with Documented Disabilities:** NJIT is committed to providing students with documented disabilities equal access to programs and activities. If you have, or believe that you may have, a physical, medical, psychological, or learning disability that may require accommodations, please contact the Coordinator of Student Disability Services located in the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services, in Campbell Hall, Room 205, (973) 596-3414. Further information on disability services related to the self-identification, documentation and accommodation processes can be found on the webpage at: (<http://www.njit.edu/counseling/services/disabilities.php>)

**Legal Disclaimer:** Students' ability to meet outcomes listed may vary, regardless of grade. They will achieve all outcomes if they attend class regularly, complete all assignments with a high degree of accuracy, and participate regularly in class discussions. This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor throughout the term.