Building Engineering

This section presents the requirements for programs in:

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• Ph.D. Building Engineering with Concentration in Heritage Conservation

Program Requirements

M.A.Sc. Building Engineering (5.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 0.5 credit in:

   BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.0 credit from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.

   ARCC 5401 [0.5] Workshop: Technical Studies in Heritage Conservation
   ARCN 5100 [0.5] Representation and Documentation in Architectural Conservation
   BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   BLDG 5302 [0.5] Building Services Engineering
   CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
   CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials
   ENVE 5104 [0.5] Indoor Environmental Quality
   MECH 5205 [0.5] Building Performance Simulation

3. 1.0 credit in approved electives

4. 2.5 credits in:


Total Credits 5.0

M.A.Sc. Building Engineering with Concentration in Building Performance (5.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 0.5 credit in:

   BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.5 credits in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.

   BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   ENVE 5104 [0.5] Indoor Environmental Quality
   BLDG 5302 [0.5] Building Services Engineering
   BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   MECH 5205 [0.5] Building Performance Simulation

3. 0.5 credit in approved electives

4. 2.5 credits in:


Total Credits 5.0

M.A.Sc. Building Engineering with Concentration in Fire Safety (5.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 0.5 credit in:

   BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.5 credits in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.

   CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials

3. 0.5 credit in approved electives

4. 2.5 credits in:


Total Credits 5.0

M.A.Sc. Building Engineering with Concentration in Heritage Conservation (5.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 0.5 credit in:

   BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.5 credits in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.

   CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials
   ENVE 5104 [0.5] Indoor Environmental Quality

3. 1.0 credit in approved electives

4. 2.5 credits in:


Total Credits 5.0
M.Eng. Building Engineering (5.0 credits)

Requirements - Coursework pathway:
1. 1.0 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5102 [0.5] Introduction to Research Methods
2. 0.5 credits from Building Performance concentration courses:
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   - BLDG 5302 [0.5] Building Services Engineering
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   - CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   - CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   - CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   - CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   - CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials
3. 0.5 credit from Fire Safety concentration courses:
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
4. 0.5 credit from Heritage Conservation concentration courses:
   - ARCC 5401 [0.5] Workshop: Technical Studies in Heritage Conservation
   - ARCN 5100 [0.5] Representation and Documentation in Architectural Conservation
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   - BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   - CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
5. 1.0 credit in additional concentration courses, not already used to fulfill Items 2-4 above
6. 1.5 credits in approved electives

Total Credits 5.0

M.Eng. Building Engineering with Concentration in Building Performance (5.0 credits)

Requirements - Coursework pathway:
1. 1.0 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5102 [0.5] Introduction to Research Methods
2. 2.0 credits from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - ARCC 5401 [0.5] Workshop: Technical Studies in Heritage Conservation
   - ARCN 5100 [0.5] Representation and Documentation in Architectural Conservation
   - CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   - BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   - BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   - BLDG 5302 [0.5] Building Services Engineering
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   - CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   - CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   - CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   - CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   - CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials
   - ENVE 5104 [0.5] Indoor Environmental Quality
   - MECH 5205 [0.5] Building Performance Simulation
3. 1.0 credit in approved electives
4. 1.0 credit in:
   - BLDG 5900 [1.0] M.Eng. Project

Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Project pathway:
1. 1.0 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

Total Credits 5.0
### M.Eng. Building Engineering

**with Concentration in Heritage Conservation (5.0 credits)**

**Requirements - Coursework pathway:**

1. **1.0 credit in:**  
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5102 [0.5] Introduction to Research Methods

2. **2.0 credits in** the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   - BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   - BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   - CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   - CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   - CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   - CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   - CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   - CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials

3. **1.0 credits in** approved electives  
4. **1.0 credit in:**  
   - BLDG 5900 [1.0] M.Eng. Project

**Total Credits** 5.0

**Requirements - Project pathway:**

1. **1.0 credit in:**  
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5102 [0.5] Introduction to Research Methods

2. **2.0 credits in** the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   - BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   - BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   - CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   - CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   - CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   - CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   - CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   - CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials

3. **1.0 credits in** approved electives
4. **1.0 credit in:**  
   - BLDG 5900 [1.0] M.Eng. Project

**Total Credits** 5.0
Ph.D. Building Engineering with Concentration in Building Performance (10.0 credits)

Requirements:
1. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.0 credit in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - BLDG 5301 [0.5] Building Energy Management and Optimization
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
   - BLDG 5302 [0.5] Building Services Engineering
   - ENVE 5104 [0.5] Indoor Environmental Quality
   - MECH 5205 [0.5] Building Performance Simulation

3. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 6901 [0.5] Thesis Proposal (in the area of the concentration)

4. 8.0 credits in:
   - BLDG 6909 [0.0] Ph.D. Thesis (in the area of the concentration)

Total Credits 10.0

Ph.D. Building Engineering with Concentration in Fire Safety (10.0 credits)

Requirements:
1. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.0 credit in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - CIVE 5609 [0.5] Fundamentals of Fire Safety Engineering
   - CIVE 5610 [0.5] Fire Dynamics I
   - CIVE 5612 [0.5] Fire Modeling
   - CIVE 5613 [0.5] Fire Dynamics II
   - CIVE 5614 [0.5] Design for Fire Resistance
   - CIVE 5615 [0.5] Fire Behaviour of Materials

3. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 6901 [0.5] Thesis Proposal (in the area of the concentration)

4. 8.0 credits in:
   - BLDG 6909 [0.0] Ph.D. Thesis (in the area of the concentration)

Total Credits 10.0

Ph.D. Building Engineering with Concentration in Heritage Conservation (10.0 credits)

Requirements:
1. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 5101 [0.5] Introduction to Building Engineering

2. 1.0 credit in the concentration, from the following list. Other courses may be used, with Supervisor recommendation and Director approval.
   - BLDG 5201 [0.5] Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
   - BLDG 5202 [0.5] Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
   - CDNS 5403 [0.5] Heritage Conservation and Sustainability
   - ARCN 5100 [0.5] Representation and Documentation in Architectural Conservation
   - ARCC 5401 [0.5] Workshop: Technical Studies in Heritage Conservation
   - BLDG 5103 [0.5] Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering

3. 0.5 credit in:
   - BLDG 6901 [0.5] Thesis Proposal (in the area of the concentration)

4. 8.0 credits in:
   - BLDG 6909 [0.0] Ph.D. Thesis (in the area of the concentration)

Total Credits 10.0

Admission

M.A.Sc., M. Eng. Building Engineering
The normal requirement for admission to the M.A.Sc. and M.Eng. in Building Engineering is a bachelor's degree in an engineering or related program, with at least a B+ average. Applicants to the M.A.Sc. are required to include a research proposal statement.

Ph.D. Building Engineering
The normal requirement for admission to the Ph.D. Building Engineering is a master's degree in an engineering or related program, with at least a A- average. Applicants are required to include a research proposal statement.

Students registered in the M.A.Sc. Building Engineering program at Carleton University may be permitted to transfer into the Ph.D. program without completing the master's program, provided they meet the following conditions:

- completion of 2.5 credits of master's-level courses with a minimum average of A-,
- demonstration of exceptional research potential,
- formal application for admission to the PhD program no later than the fourth semester of initial registration in the M.A.Sc. program, and
- permission from the Director of the Building Engineering programs.
Building Engineering (BLDG) Courses

BLDG 5101 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Building Engineering
Broad introductory and multi-disciplinary coverage of building engineering, with particular emphasis on building performance, heritage conservation, fire safety, and structures. Core competencies including research skills, communication of building engineering topics. Advanced methods for building design and restoration in the architectural, engineering, and construction field.

BLDG 5102 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Research Methods
Broad introduction to theory and application of research methods in engineering. Key areas include conducting literature reviews; field, laboratory, and computational techniques; and designing, conducting, and presenting research.
Prerequisite(s): Enrolment in M.Eng. Building Engineering.

BLDG 5103 [0.5 credit]
Advanced Research Methods for Building Engineering
Broad set of technical and non-technical research skills to design, conduct, and publish research focused on building engineering. Key areas: defining research problems; literature reviews; methods to conduct research; inferential statistics; measurement and error analysis; design of experiments; presenting and publishing in scientific venues.
Prerequisite(s): enrollment in MASc Building Engineering, PhD Building Engineering, or BLDG 5702.

BLDG 5201 [0.5 credit]
Advanced Building Characterization, Conservation and Rehabilitation Heritage
Supporting concepts and techniques for the identification, documentation, and conservation of heritage and existing buildings; advanced workshops by experts from key disciplines and practice areas in heritage conservation. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as CIVE 5603.

BLDG 5202 [0.5 credit]
Structural Assessment of Historic Buildings
General concepts related to conservation of heritage structures; materials, construction techniques and structural components; classical structural analysis approaches; seismic behaviour, damage and collapse mechanisms of historic buildings; modern conservation criteria and practical implementation of repair or strengthening strategies.
Also listed as CIVE 5202.

BLDG 5301 [0.5 credit]
Building Energy Management and Optimization
Fault detection and diagnostics; preventive and predictive maintenance; predictive and adaptive control of indoor climate; advanced sensing technologies for the built environment; analysis and modelling using data from buildings; data mining; linear and generalized linear models; optimization methods; model selection and validation; inverse modelling.

BLDG 5302 [0.5 credit]
Building Services Engineering
How buildings are designed and operated. The materials provide foundational knowledge to understand building services: mechanical, electrical, plumbing systems with associated controls. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as ENVE 4107, for which additional credit is precluded.

BLDG 5900 [1.0 credit]
M.Eng. Project
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

BLDG 5909 [2.5 credits]
M.A.Sc. Thesis

BLDG 6901 [0.5 credit]
Thesis Proposal

BLDG 6909 [8.0 credits]
Ph.D. Thesis