**CONCRETE INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT**

Concrete Industry Management Program ([http://www.csuchico.edu/cim/](http://www.csuchico.edu/cim/))

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**Insight**

The Concrete Industry Management program at California State University, Chico is one of the only four CIM programs in the United States. This program—the only one of its kind on the West Coast—was created with the financial support of concrete industry executives, who are eager to employ its interns and graduates. The program at Chico State combines concrete technology with business administration to prepare men and women for a wide variety of professional careers in the concrete industry.

**Experience**

More than 50 national and local companies support the program, which has received over $5.5 million in donations from its industry supporters. This degree program is truly a joint initiative between industry and academia. Concrete companies and professional organizations are active, ongoing partners. Industry supplies students and faculty with advice, feedback, monetary donations, scholarships, equipment, supplies, training, and funded research.

Each year the program offers more than $50,000 in scholarships for eligible students based on academic performance, improvement, leadership potential, and/or financial need. For more information regarding CIMT scholarships, visit the Concrete Industry Management website ([https://www.csuchico.edu/cim/](https://www.csuchico.edu/cim/)). In addition, CIM majors have had success in receiving scholarships from related organizations, colleges, and the University.

**Outlook**

This professional degree program addresses an identified need for technical professionals in the concrete industry. The career opportunities for CIM graduates are excellent. Examples of entry-level positions available immediately upon graduation include:

**Production and project management**

- Ready mixed concrete plants
- Precast/prestressed plants
- Quarry operations
- Concrete projects managers
- Concrete subcontracting

**Sales and marketing**

- Concrete and concrete products
- Cement and admixtures
- Equipment
- Contracting services

**Other areas**

- Concrete specialist
- Field engineer
- Quality control technician

**Programs**

**Undergraduate**

**Bachelor's**


See [Course Description Symbols and Terms](https://catalog.csuchico.edu/academic-standards-policies/course-description-symbols-terms/) for an explanation of course description terminology and symbols, the course numbering system, and course credit units.

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**Course Attributes:** Lower Division

**Corequisites:** May be taken concurrently with CIMT 231 with faculty permission.

**Typically Offered:** Fall only
An overview of the history, career opportunities, job functions, and professional organizations in the concrete industry. Students are introduced to the Concrete Industry Management curriculum, its instructional expectations and methodologies. 1 hour discussion. (020294)

Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 1 unit

**Course Attributes:** Lower Division

**Prerequisite:** CIMT 101 and MATH 119 both with a grade of C- or higher.

Typically Offered: Spring only
This course covers reading and interpreting drawings related to concrete projects. This course includes a detailed study of drawings of concrete foundation, piers, slabs, walls, and frames. 2 hours activity, 1 hour discussion. (021714)

Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 2 units

**Course Attributes:** Lower Division; Laptop required

**Prerequisite:** To be established when course is formulated.

Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Special topics are generally offered one time only. Different sections may have different topics. See the Class Schedule for specific topics being offered. A maximum of 6.0 units of special topics may be counted toward the major. 3 hours discussion. (020296)

Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once

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<td>CIMT 231 with a grade of C- or higher</td>
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**Typically Offered**
- Spring only
- Fall only
- Drop-in
- Inquire at department
- To be established when course is formulated
- Online only
- Traditional
- Independent study
- Project course
- Internship

**Course Attributes**
- Lower Division
- Upper Division
- General Education: GE Oral Communication (A1); GE Written Communication (B4) requirements, or consent of the instructor.
- W, GE Written Communication (B4)
- Sustainability and Climate Change Pathway
- Sustainable Course
- Upper-Division Scientific Inq/Quant Reason (UDB); General Education: Upper-Division Scientific Inq/Quant Reason (UDB); Sustainability and Climate Change Pathway
- GE Oral Communication (A1); GE Written Communication (B4) requirements, or consent of the instructor.

**Grade Basis**
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**Repeatability**
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**Prerequisite**
- CIMT 241 with a grade of C- or higher
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- CIMT 231 with a grade of C- or higher; CHEM 107; MATH 119 or MATH 120
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CIMT 399  Special Problems  1-3 Units
Prerequisite: Approval of supervising faculty member.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Independent study of a special problem. Visit the program office for the registration procedure. 9 hours supervision. (020306)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

CIMT 453  Ready Mixed Concrete Production Management  3 Units
Prerequisite: CIMT 241 (C- or higher), FINA 307, OSCM 440.
Typically Offered: Fall only
Management of the manufacturing processes common to all concrete product production facilities. Emphasis is on planning, organizing, and controlling production. A study of the differences in the manufacturing process of ready-mixed concrete, concrete masonry, pre-cast concrete, pre-stressed concrete, and concrete pipe is explained through product-specific guest lectures and plant tours. 3 hours discussion. (020309)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

CIMT 455  Precast Concrete Production Management  3 Units
Prerequisite: CIMT 325 and CIMT 348 both with a grade of C- or higher, FINA 307.
Typically Offered: Spring only
Precast concrete production process for the various concrete elements such as: pipes, box culverts, walls, railroad ties and brides are covered. Topics include planning and production process, safety, and quality control management practices. A study of the differences in the manufacturing process of the various precast concrete elements is explained. Various applications of precast concrete are also discussed. 3 hours discussion. (021842)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

CIMT 466W  Concrete Capstone Project (W)  3 Units W
Prerequisite: GE Written Communication (A2) requirement; CIMT 325, CIMT 389 and CIMT 453 with a grade of C- or higher.
Typically Offered: Spring only
Students create a business plan for a concrete related business as well as conduct a concrete research project. The business plan involves gathering data and information, conducting market analysis, developing operation and management plans, and preparing and analyzing financial statements. The business plan report emphasizes critical thinking, technical writing, and oral presentation skills as well as technical and business management knowledge. The technical project focuses on hands-on learning through conducting research on concrete, for which students preform literature reviews, conducts experiments, analyze and presents data and writes a technical report. Students present their projects to an audience. 2 hours discussion, 3 hours laboratory. (020310)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division; Laptop required; Writing Course

CIMT 498  Special Topics  1-3 Units
Prerequisite: To be established when course is formulated.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course is for advanced special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically a topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and topics vary from term to term and section to section. See the Class Schedule for specific topics being offered. Different topics may have different sections. This course is normally taught by professionals from the field. 3 hours discussion. (020311)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Upper Division

CIMT 499  Special Problems  1-3 Units
Prerequisite: Approval of supervising faculty member.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Independent study of a special problem. Visit the program office for registration procedures. 0 hours supervision. (020312)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

CIMT 598  Advanced Topics  1-3 Units
Prerequisite: To be established when course is formulated.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course is for advanced special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically a topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and topics vary from term to term and section to section. See the Class Schedule for specific topics being offered. This class may be repeated more than once, but a maximum of 6 units may be counted toward the major. 3 hours seminar. (020313)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Upper Division

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