CSTN 148. Blueprints, Codes, and Estimating. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F
This course will introduce blueprints and emphasize reading, scaling, analyzing and bidding from plans. Topics covered will include: line weights, styles and types; title block information, dimensions, structural shapes, auxiliary views, section views, detail prints, symbols, scaling, acronyms found in different industries, and other various blueprint information. Students will also be taught how to use plans to bid and price materials, visit the Fall Parade of Homes, and compare what’s on the page to what really gets built. Typically Taken – 1st Semester (Fall).

CSTN 173. Arch Construct and Material. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to identify the origins of materials and the extraction, properties, processing, and assemblies of the basic materials of construction. Thorough working knowledge of materials can enhance a construction project and enlighten the client, designer, drafts-person or end user. A complete understanding of materials, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures can unify a design and create timeless, contemporary elements.

CSTN 248. Plans Examining II - IBC - Commercial Codes, Blueprint Reading, and Estimating. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S
PREREQUISITE: CSTN 148, or consent of instructor, or approval of program director. This course will introduce blueprints and emphasize blueprint reading, scaling, analyzing, and estimating plan components for commercial and multiple-residence projects. Topics covered will include: building use and occupancy, special occupancy requirements, height and area limitations based on construction type, fire resistance and protection requirements, requirements for evacuation, accessibility for persons with disabilities, building systems (lighting, HVAC, plumbing, electrical and elevators), and structural components. Commercial building code criteria in the design process will be emphasized. Students will also be taught how to use plans to bid and price materials.