SUBJECT DESCRIPTION FORM

Subject title: Construction Practice in China

Subject code: BRE527

Credit value: 3

Responsible staff and department:
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Pre-requisite: Nil
(Subject title and code no, if any)

Recommended background knowledge:
   Students are expected to possess knowledge of the construction and real estate industries in a built-environment discipline.

Mutual exclusions: Nil

Learning approach:
   The methods of teaching comprise: (1) formal lectures for explaining and discussing important concepts and theories in the subject contents; (2) workshops and seminars for students to present and discuss the key issues and problem-based cases; (3) professional study for students to exchange with professionals in China Mainland; (4) guest speakers will be invited to deliver lectures on special topics.

   Contact hours:
   Lectures 27 hours
   Workshops/Seminar/Professional study 15 hours

   Independent study:
   Assignments 48 hours
   Self study 50 hours
   140 hours

Assessment:
   Continuous assessment 50%
   Examination 50%

Objectives:
1. To allow the students to broaden and deepen their knowledge in the areas related to the practice in construction and real estate industries in China.
2. To provide lectures and seminars at postgraduate study level in construction management theories and techniques in the Chinese construction context.
3. To develop the students’ ability in applying theories and techniques in both research and practice in construction management in China.
Keyword syllabus:

Introduction to the construction practice in China
Construction market and resources management
Construction project development procedures
Construction procurement systems
Competition and competitiveness
Project supervision and project management
Legal environment for construction, contract management, disputes resolution
Construction professionals' qualifications and practice
Foreign investment practice and management.
Risk management in the construction business

Indicative reading list and references:

Recommended:

Supplementary:
Journal of Construction Management and Economics

*Journal of Construction Management and Engineering Division (ASCE)*

*International Journal of Construction Management*

*International Journal of Project Management*