ABOUT A DEGREE IN CONSTRUCTION SCIENCE

Construction Science majors are responsible for planning and directing construction projects. They inspect the construction, alteration, and repair of structures to make sure that they meet the terms of the regulations and contract specifications. They manage the equipment and any permits, licenses and contracts needed to carry out the specific plans of a construction project. They work for federal, state, or local governments and usually work in settings such as construction firms, architectural offices, governmental agencies, developmental firms, and at colleges and technical schools.

RELATED SKILLS

- Proficiency in written and oral communication
- Flexibility and ability to work effectively in a fast-paced environment
- Decisive and work well under pressure
- Coordination of several major activities at once
- Understanding of engineering, architectural, and construction drawings
- Good problem solving ability
- Computer skills
- Ability to understand measurements

HIRING INSTITUTIONS

- Construction Companies
- Home Builders
- Contract Work/Self-Employment
- Architectural/Engineering Service Firms
- Government Agencies
- Private Corporations
- Speciality Contract Companies
- Consulting Firms
- Real Estate Development Companies
- Construction Material Suppliers

RELATED WEBSITES

- OU Department of Construction Science: cns.ou.edu
- Construction Student Association: cns.ou.edu/csa
- Career Services, University of Oklahoma: www.hiresooner.com
- The Associated General Contractors of America: www.agc.org
- National Association of Home Builders: www.nahb.org
- National Demolition Association: www.demolitionassociation.com
- Construction Management Association of America: cmaanet.org
- Construction Owners Association of America: www.coaa.org