

Date: March 28, 2025

Room: IT- 122

Time: 9:00 am -10:30 am

Norco Faculty in Attendance: Dr. Jim Thomas

Note taker: Student, Mariam Hasaballa,

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## 1. Introduction- curriculum overview:

- Recap-Professor Jim Thomas:
- The Construction Program is more than 40 years old, having been established in 1990. The curriculum ensures that students acquire practical skills necessary for their employment by giving them opportunities for hands-on learning.

## 2. Equipment needed and course policies

- Increased use of Zero-Cost-Textbooks in courses to lower costs for students.
- Books are carefully selected and electives have been rolled into core courses.

- c. Emphasis on skills building in blue print reading especially in areas such as architectural, structural, electrical, and mechanical.
- d. Increased need of peer mentoring for students
- e. New course-Construction Estimating with new part-time faculty.
- f. Soil Topography increased skill set taught.

### **3. Growth of Construction Technology Program**

- a. Increased demand for online classes
  - i. Professor Jim Thomas, required to teach 40% face-to-face, and 60% online classes.
  - ii. Regional Labor Market demand for Construction Workers and Construction Managers
    - 1. Networking opportunities for students with annual in-class presentations from companies like Gaffon Construction.
    - 2. Call out to attendees to see if anyone else interested in presenting to our Uniform Mechanical Code Monday evening course.

### **4. Recap and Wrap up-Thank you for attending!**