Silesian University of Technology Civil Engineering Faculty

<u>1. Course number and name</u>

RB-S1-19-S54-77, Review of Famous World's Structures

2. Credits and contact hours*

2 ECTS, lectures: 30 hours**, classes: 0 hours**, project: 0 hours**

3. Instructor's or course coordinator's name

Szymon Dawczyński PhD

4. Text book, title, author, and year

- Williams G.: Amazing structures of the World: Incredible feats of architecture from around the world, New Holland Publishers
- Greenstein R. et al.: The World's Greatest Buildings: Masterpieces of Architecture & Engineering, Time Life Education

a. other supplemental materials

- Current articles and reports from scientific journals, e.g. Structural Concrete, Structural Engineering International.
- Websites devoted to the described structures.

5. Specific course information

a. brief description of the content of the course (catalog description)

Lectures:

The course covers explanation of advanced problems of structural systems used in different structures basing on examples of famous projects from all over the world. Highrise buildings: development of structural systems, use of steel, reinforced concrete, prestressed-concrete and composite materials. Problems of fire resistance, seismic loads, wind loads – exemplary solutions in the past half-century and future projects. Bridges: main groups of structural systems, recent achievements, use of advanced materials, future projects. Shell structures as a roof structures and other parts of buildings. Containers. Towers. Dams. Viaducts. Sport structures: famous stadiums and halls. Off- shore structures.

Classes:

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Project:

b. prerequisites or co-requisites

No prerequisites and additional requirements

c. indicate whether a required, elective, or selected elective (as per Table 5-1) course in the program

Elective.

6. Specific goals for the course

<u>a. specific outcomes of instruction, ex. The student will be able to explain the significance</u> <u>of current research about a particular topic</u>

The student can:

- make classification and evaluation of building structures,
- describe selected structural systems and basic mechanisms of load transfer,
- make a list of loads acting on building objects.

b. explicitly indicate which of the student outcomes listed in Criterion 3 or any other outcomes are addressed by the course.

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7. Brief list of topics to be covered

- 1. Basic information: high-rise buildings history and development of structural systems.
- 2. High-rise buildings: detailed description of the construction on the example of the tallest buildings in the world (Burj Khalifa, Shanghai Tower).
- 3. Structural issues of construction of the tallest viaduct in Europe (Viaduct Millau, France).
- 4. Structural issues of construction of artificial islands (on the example of Kansai Airport, Osaka, Japan).
- 5. Structural issues of construction of famous bridges (on the example of Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, USA).
- 6. Structural issues of construction of dams (on the example of Hoover Dam, USA).
- 7. Structural issues of construction of famous canals (on the example of the Panama Canal, Panama).

*- Consultations were not included in the contact hours

**-per semester