What Can I Do With A Major In:
Construction Management

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DESCRIPTION
Construction managers plan, coordinate, budget, and supervise construction projects from development to completion. Large construction firms increasingly prefer candidates with both construction experience and a bachelor’s degree in a construction-related field.

WHAT JOBS ARE AVAILABLE?

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WHO EMPLOYS STUDENTS WITH THIS MAJOR?
Construction Subcontractors | Construction Suppliers: commercial, residential, mechanical, electrical, industrial, heavy highway, marine

INTERNSHIP INFORMATION
At Western Carolina University there are numerous internship opportunities for students. In some cases internships are established through a faculty member in the student's major. Oftentimes students find part-time jobs in an area related to their field of study. When this happens, students should discuss with their academic advisor the possibility of receiving college credit. Generally, three hours of general elective credit can be earned for a minimum of 200 hours of experience.

Undergraduate students who are working toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Construction Management are required to complete an internship, which can be completed in any one of the three semesters (summer, fall or spring) prior to graduation.

Interested in the classes you’ll be taking? Check your eight semester program here: http://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/eightsemesterplan.pdf
WHAT SKILLS ARE LEARNED IN THE CLASSROOM?
Contracts and Specifications | Safety | Quality Control | Land Development | Computer Applications | Business | Finance | Accounting | Teamwork | Communication Skills | Leadership

KNOWLEDGE
- Ability to identify, sequence, schedule, and estimate the costs of critical construction activities as associated with successful construction proposals.
- Ability to select and apply the knowledge, technique, skills, and modern tools of the discipline to broadly-defined construction management activities.
- Ability to select and apply knowledge of mathematics, science, business management, construction and construction science to problems that require the application of construction management principles and applied procedures or methodologies.

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES
- Tip: Join LinkedIn groups that are related to your career interest. Need help finding groups? Check out the “Groups You May Like” link under the Interests/Groups tab. Review the groups that professionals in your field of interest have joined and consider joining them as well.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SOURCES
- American Society of Civil Engineers: [http://www.asce.org/](http://www.asce.org/)

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