

**Course Name:**

Loading

**Course Number:**

20209

**Credit:**

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**Prerequisite:**

Dynamics; Theory of Structural Analysis I

**Course Description (Objectives):**

The primary objective of this course is to learn how to compute the loads that are exerted on structures during their lifespan. The course is based on the Section 6 of the National Building Code of Iran.

**Course Content (outline):**

- Introduction
  - Load categories
  - Load-bearing elements
  - Load distribution
  - Tributary area
- Dead load
  - Floor load
  - Wall and partition loads
- Live load
  - Distributed and concentrated live load
  - Critical loading conditions
  - Live load reduction
  - Dynamic live loads
  - Crane loads (optional)
- Snow load
  - Basic snow load
  - Symmetric and asymmetric loading
- Wind load
  - Vertical velocity gradient
  - Vortex and gust
  - Basic wind velocity and pressure
  - Velocity variation and shape factors
  - Non-building structures
  - Overturning, slip, and lateral displacement provisions
- Earthquake load
  - An introduction to engineering seismology and earthquake engineering
  - Plan and vertical regularity
  - Equivalent static load method

- Seismic-force resisting elements and systems
- Effective seismic weight
- Peak ground acceleration
- Period, spectral response, importance, and strength reduction factor of buildings
- Vertical distribution of seismic loads
- Horizontal distribution of seismic loads considering torsion
- Loading direction
- Separation gap
- Serviceability level earthquake
- Overturning provisions
- Vertical seismic load
- Load combination

**References:**

- Office of National Building Code, “Section 6 of the National Building Code: Loads on Exerted on the Building”, 2014.
- Building and Housing Research Center, “Iranian Code of Practice for Seismic Resistant Design of Buildings”, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Standard 2800, 2015.