Introduction to Seismic Design of Structures (CEGE0032)

**Description**

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1. Intro to Seismology and Earthquake Engineering
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9. Earthquake case studies
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**Learning outcomes.**

The learning outcomes of the course are: understanding the concepts behind seismic design; understanding the behaviour of building materials, structural members and structural systems under earthquake loading; having the ability to interpret and critique different seismic codes of practice; gaining knowledge of how to design civil engineering structures for seismic resistance.

**Key information**

- **Year**: 2019/20
- **Credit value**: 15 (150 study hours)
- **Delivery**: PGT L7, Campus-based
- **Reading List**: [View on UCL website](#)
- **Tutor**: Dr Carmine Galasso
- **Term**: Term 1
- **Timetable**: [View on UCL website](#)

**Assessment**

- Coursework: 20%
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