

# Unit 04: High Rise Building Design

Content Area: **Applied Technology**  
Course(s):  
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## **Brief Summary of Unit**

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Students will develop understanding of curtain walls, steel construction, and means of egress. These concepts will be applied to the design of a high-rise building.

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## **Essential Questions/Enduring Understandings**

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### **Essential Questions:**

What systems keep people safe in high rise buildings?

What holds high rise buildings up?

What does a high rise building look like?

### **Enduring Understandings:**

Means of egress describes a system for leaving a building in an emergency.

Steel and concrete are the major structural components in high-rise construction.

## **Objectives**

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### **Students Will Know:**

Vocabulary associated with structural systems and curtain wall construction, i.e. girder, truss joist, wide

flange, glazing.

Why means of egress is important in buildings.

Components of means of egress systems.

How to employ curtain wall systems from manufacturers

Historically important high rise buildings can influence the design

### **Students Will Be Skilled At:**

Drafting plans, sections, and elevations of a high rise building

Developing the means of egress for a high rise building

Developing proposals for a high rise building that are considerate of functional and aesthetic concerns.

Write a technical description of systems in a building.

### **Learning Plan**

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Preview the essential questions and connect to learning throughout the unit.

Lecture and discussion about guiding questions.

Formative assessments will be conducted throughout the process.

Lecture and presentation of historically important high rise buildings.

Formative assessments will be conducted throughout the design problem.

Design problem: design a high-rise speculative office building, hotel, or apartment house. Create presentation drawings that express the intent of the program.

Incorporate drawings into a digital portfolio.

Summative assessment will be conducted by the student and teacher using a rubric specific to the research problem which may include student-driven goals.

Present the present digital portfolio for review.

### **Assessment**

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## **Formative**

answer essential questions

exit ticket

meaningfully participate in guided question and answer sessions, group and individual discussions, and show an understanding of the purpose of the unit lesson(s), and their key terms and concepts.

## **Summative**

Design and create presentation drawings for a building that demonstrates an understanding of means of egress, curtain wall, and steel construction. The presentation will include a written description that describes the technical aspects of the proposal. The presentation will be evaluated using teacher and student designed rubrics.

The presentation will be included in an electronic portfolio and assessed with a rubric.

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## **Benchmark**

Midterm Exam/Final Exam

## **Alternative Assessment**

Present the project to peers and/or the community.

Complete writing prompt: What are the considerations for developing a presentation drawing?

Complete writing prompt. Examples: Explain strategies to keep people safe from fire in a building.

## **Materials**

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**Materials:**

Computer lab with AutoCAD software, one computer per student

White board with projector or Smartboard

CADD Lab including 3d printers, drill press, scroll saw and power drill, soldering iron, xacto knives, and hand tools.

## Standards

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CS.9-12.8.2.12.ED.1	Use research to design and create a product or system that addresses a problem and make modifications based on input from potential consumers.
CS.9-12.8.2.12.ED.2	Create scaled engineering drawings for a new product or system and make modification to increase optimization based on feedback.
CS.9-12.8.2.12.ED.3	Evaluate several models of the same type of product and make recommendations for a new design based on a cost benefit analysis.
CS.9-12.8.2.12.ED.4	Design a product or system that addresses a global problem and document decisions made based on research, constraints, trade-offs, and aesthetic and ethical considerations and share this information with an appropriate audience.
CS.9-12.8.2.12.ED.5	Evaluate the effectiveness of a product or system based on factors that are related to its requirements, specifications, and constraints (e.g., safety, reliability, economic considerations, quality control, environmental concerns, manufacturability, maintenance and repair, ergonomics).
CS.9-12.ETW	Effects of Technology on the Natural World
LA.RST.9-10	Reading Science and Technical Subjects
LA.RST.9-10.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough evidence from the text to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to precise details for explanations or descriptions.
LA.RST.9-10.2	Determine the central ideas, themes, or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text.
LA.RST.9-10.3	Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks, attending to special cases or exceptions defined in the text.
LA.RST.9-10.4	Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 9-10 texts and topics.
LA.RST.9-10.5	Analyze the relationships among concepts in a text, including relationships among key terms (e.g., force, friction, reaction force, energy).
LA.RST.9-10.7	Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words.
LA.RST.9-10.8	Determine if the reasoning and evidence in a text support the author's claim or a recommendation for solving a scientific or technical problem.
LA.RST.9-10.9	Compare and contrast findings presented in a text to those from other sources (including their own experiments), noting when the findings support or contradict previous explanations or accounts.
LA.RST.9-10.10	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
SCI.HS.ETS1.A	Delimiting Engineering Problems
SCI.HS.ETS1.C	Optimizing the Design Solution
SCI.HS-ETS1-1	Analyze a major global challenge to specify qualitative and quantitative criteria and constraints for solutions that account for societal needs and wants.

SCI.HS-ETS1	Engineering Design
SCI.HS-ETS1-2	Design a solution to a complex real-world problem by breaking it down into smaller, more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering.
WRK.9.2.12.CAP	Career Awareness and Planning
WRK.9.2.12.CAP.2	Develop college and career readiness skills by participating in opportunities such as structured learning experiences, apprenticeships, and dual enrollment programs.
WRK.9.2.12.CAP.3	Investigate how continuing education contributes to one's career and personal growth.
WRK.9.2.12.CAP.5	Assess and modify a personal plan to support current interests and post-secondary plans.
WRK.9.2.12.CAP.7	Use online resources to examine licensing, certification, and credentialing requirements at the local, state, and national levels to maintain compliance with industry requirements in areas of career interest.
TECH.9.4.12.CI	Creativity and Innovation
TECH.9.4.12.CI.2	Identify career pathways that highlight personal talents, skills, and abilities (e.g., 1.4.12prof.CR2b, 2.2.12.LF.8).
TECH.9.4.12.CI.3	Investigate new challenges and opportunities for personal growth, advancement, and transition (e.g., 2.1.12.PGD.1).
TECH.9.4.12.CT	Critical Thinking and Problem-solving
TECH.9.4.12.CT.1	Identify problem-solving strategies used in the development of an innovative product or practice (e.g., 1.1.12acc.C1b, 2.2.12.PF.3).
TECH.9.4.12.CT.2	Explain the potential benefits of collaborating to enhance critical thinking and problem solving (e.g., 1.3E.12profCR3.a).
TECH.9.4.12.TL	Technology Literacy
TECH.9.4.12.TL.1	Assess digital tools based on features such as accessibility options, capacities, and utility for accomplishing a specified task (e.g., W.11-12.6.).
TECH.9.4.12.GCA	Global and Cultural Awareness
TECH.9.4.12.GCA.1	Collaborate with individuals to analyze a variety of potential solutions to climate change effects and determine why some solutions (e.g., political, economic, cultural) may work better than others (e.g., SL.11-12.1., HS-ETS1-1, HS-ETS1-2, HS-ETS1-4, 6.3.12.GeoGI.1, 7.1.IH.IPERS.6, 7.1.IL.IPERS.7, 8.2.12.ETW.3).
TECH.K-12.1.1	Empowered Learner
TECH.K-12.1.1.a	articulate and set personal learning goals, develop strategies leveraging technology to achieve them and reflect on the learning process itself to improve learning outcomes.
TECH.K-12.1.1.c	use technology to seek feedback that informs and improves their practice and to demonstrate their learning in a variety of ways.
TECH.K-12.1.2	Digital Citizen
TECH.K-12.1.2.c	demonstrate an understanding of and respect for the rights and obligations of using and sharing intellectual property.
TECH.K-12.1.2.d	manage their personal data to maintain digital privacy and security and are aware of data-collection technology used to track their navigation online.
TECH.K-12.1.3	Knowledge Constructor
TECH.K-12.1.3.a	plan and employ effective research strategies to locate information and other resources for their intellectual or creative pursuits.
TECH.K-12.1.3.c	curate information from digital resources using a variety of tools and methods to create collections of artifacts that demonstrate meaningful connections or conclusions.
TECH.K-12.1.3.d	build knowledge by actively exploring real-world issues and problems, developing ideas and theories and pursuing answers and solutions.

TECH.K-12.1.4	Innovative Designer
TECH.K-12.1.4.a	know and use a deliberate design process for generating ideas, testing theories, creating innovative artifacts or solving authentic problems.
TECH.K-12.1.4.b	select and use digital tools to plan and manage a design process that considers design constraints and calculated risks.
TECH.K-12.1.4.c	develop, test and refine prototypes as part of a cyclical design process.
TECH.K-12.1.6	Creative Communicator
TECH.K-12.1.6.a	choose the appropriate platforms and tools for meeting the desired objectives of their creation or communication.
TECH.K-12.1.6.b	create original works or responsibly repurpose or remix digital resources into new creations.
TECH.K-12.1.6.c	communicate complex ideas clearly and effectively by creating or using a variety of digital objects such as visualizations, models or simulations.
TECH.K-12.1.6.d	publish or present content that customizes the message and medium for their intended audiences.

Collaborative digital tools can be used to access, record and share different viewpoints and to collect and tabulate the views of groups of people.

#### Craft and Structure

##### Key Ideas and Details

Humanity faces major global challenges today, such as the need for supplies of clean water and food or for energy sources that minimize pollution, which can be addressed through engineering. These global challenges also may have manifestations in local communities.

Engineering design evaluation, a process for determining how well a solution meets requirements, involves systematic comparisons between requirements, specifications, and constraints.

##### Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

There are strategies to improve one's professional value and marketability.

Collaboration with individuals with diverse experiences can aid in the problem-solving process, particularly for global issues where diverse solutions are needed.

Engineering design is a complex process in which creativity, content knowledge, research, and analysis are used to address local and global problems. Decisions on trade-offs involve systematic comparisons of all costs and benefits, and final steps that may involve redesigning for optimization.

##### Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

##### Asking Questions and Defining Problems

Career planning requires purposeful planning based on research, self-knowledge, and informed choices.

Digital tools differ in features, capacities, and styles. Knowledge of different digital tools is helpful in selecting the best tool for a given task.

Criteria and constraints also include satisfying any requirements set by society, such as taking issues of risk mitigation into account, and they should be quantified to the extent possible and stated in such a way that one can tell if a given design meets them.

Asking questions and defining problems in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to formulating, refining, and evaluating empirically testable questions and design problems using models and simulations.

##### Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Innovative ideas or innovation can lead to career opportunities.

Development and modification of any technological system needs to take into account how the operation of the system will affect natural resources and ecosystems. Impacts of technological systems on the environment need to be monitored and must inform decision-making. Many technologies have been designed to have a positive impact on the environment and to monitor environmental change over time.

**Integrated Accommodation and Modifications, Special Education students, English Language Learners, At-Risk Students, Gifted and Talented students, Career Education, and those with 504s**

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