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Instructor Ratings



Past AEI Courses Instructed

2025

2021 IBC/IFC: Hazardous Materials



Student Comments:

“Instructor was exceptionally knowledgeable and the content was relevant with a well-made lesson plan.”

“Engaging, relevant content, well paced, and planned out. Best WABO class I’ve taken!”

“Knowledgeable instructor and I liked how he tied the subject together, kept students engaged, and made materials interesting.”

“Level of expertise was perfect! Class went over examples to practice reading tables and the 6-step process to make sense of how to go about plan review.”

2021 IRC: Complete Plan Review



Student Comments:

“Clear presentation, possibly the best presented class out of the last 3 years that I have attended.”

“The instructor’s invitation to get the class involved in providing knowledge and experience worked well. The slides were thorough and will definitely help me prepare for my plans examiner exam! He was great through the R300s, but his joy really came out with structural.”

“Very easy to follow along. Instructor was captivating and informative.”

“A class that teaches practical skills for performing a plan review!”

2024

Fundamentals of Structural Engineering for Building Officials (2 Day Course)



Student Comments:

“Covered a complex component but through a code official perspective. Very helpful to identify flags that might warrant further investigation.”

“The instructor is very organized. His handouts and presentation were clear, easy to follow, and he gave examples that went with the handouts. The class was perfect!”

“Excellent class that clearly showed how structural engineering should look on a plan. Excellent resource for so many standards and reference sheets to help with all phases of projects.”

“Clear explanation of structural designs and how the code applies to different engineering designs. Excellent handouts with many resources.”

2023

2021 IRC Fire-Rated Construction and Braced Walls



2021 IEBC Update/Overview



2022

Fundamentals of Structural Engineering for Building Officials (2 Day Course)



Student Comments:

“Chris does a great job of making a dry subject fun.”

“Very detailed and could easily provide real life examples to questions asked.”

“Chris did a great job talking/teaching in a language that is understandable. Explaining items in ways you can relate to and use in plan review.”