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New Degree Trains Civil Engineers to Save the Environment

A new degree at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology will produce civil engineering graduates specially equipped to tackle environmental problems.

The BEng in Civil and Environmental Engineering provides a solid civil engineering education coupled with training in environmental engineering and management.

"These graduates will be in demand wherever there are environmental problems or new infrastructure projects," said Dr Irene M. C. Lo, one of the new degree's coordinators. "For instance, Hong Kong legislation that requires all designated projects to produce formal environmental impact assessment (EIA) reports has created a huge need for engineers qualified in this field."

Students can choose courses in water, air, land and noise pollution, and environmental management. "They can concentrate in one area, such as water pollution control, or take courses in a range of disciplines," said Dr Lo.

The new degree will be offered through the JUPAS system this year for entry in September 1998. JUPAS applications close on 1 December 1997.

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