

The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Houston presents...

The CIVE 6111 Graduate Seminar Series



Dr. Joseph Colaco

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University of Houston

Friday, October 26, 2018

2:45PM-3:45PM

Classroom Business Building (CBB) Room 108

Seminar Topic

Dr. Colaco will discuss the three projects listed below.

- 100 John Hancock Center
- 75 Story J.P. Morgan Chase
- 50 story One Shell Plaza

Bio

Joseph Philip Colaco, President of CBM Engineers, Inc. and Professor with the Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture and Design at the University of Houston, is among the leading specialists in building structures worldwide. He has made notable contributions to the advancement of the design and construction practice of structural engineering as it applies to tall buildings.

After receiving his PhD in civil structural engineering from the University of Illinois in 1965, he began his career with the consulting firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill in Chicago. There he worked on the 100-story steel John Hancock Building in Chicago and the 50-story reinforced concrete One Shell Plaza in Houston, Texas. Since 1975, Colaco has been the president of CBM Engineers, Inc. He has done the conceptual design of 50 major building projects, including the 75-story J. P. Morgan/Chase Tower and the 64-story Williams Tower in Houston among many other projects.

Colaco is a member of the National Academy of Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), and the American Concrete Institute and a Fellow of the Institute of Structural Engineers, U.K. He has been active in numerous professional organizations, including ASCE, American Concrete Institute, Wind Engineering Research Council, and the American Institute of Steel Construction. His awards and honors include the Maurice Van Buren Award for Outstanding Structural Engineering in a Complete Concrete Building Project from the American Concrete Institute, Special Citation Award from the American Institute of Steel Construction, Annual Award for Outstanding Professional from the India Cultural Center in Houston, and the Distinguished Civil and Environmental Engineering Alumnus award from the University of Illinois.