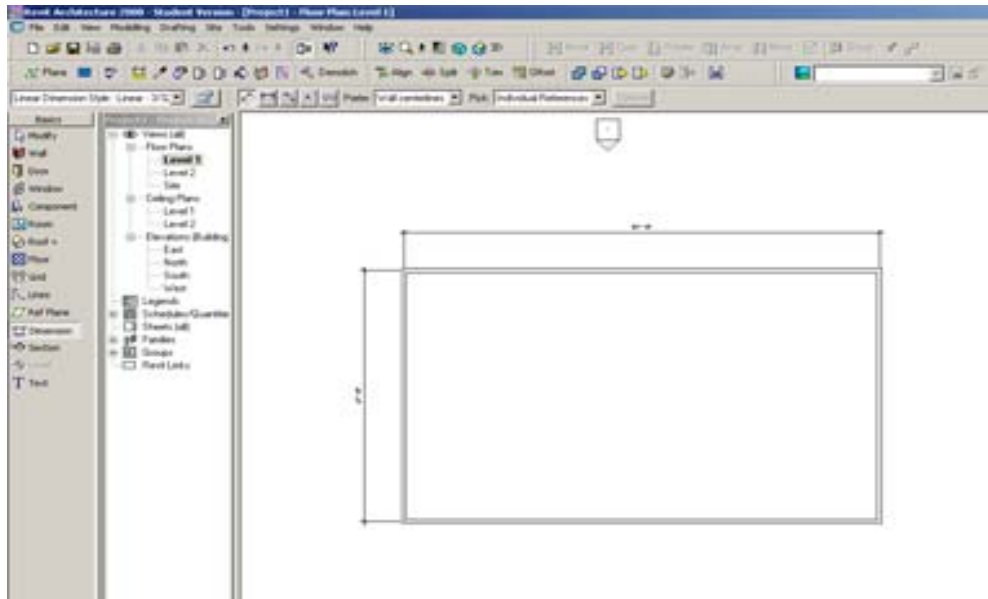


How to calculate total wall costs in Revit

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Here is a simple project with four walls using the Basic Wall - Generic – 8 wall type.



I went into the properties of the wall and edited it to add a cost value of \$8.00 per square foot as shown below:

Type Properties

Family: System Family: Basic Wall Load...

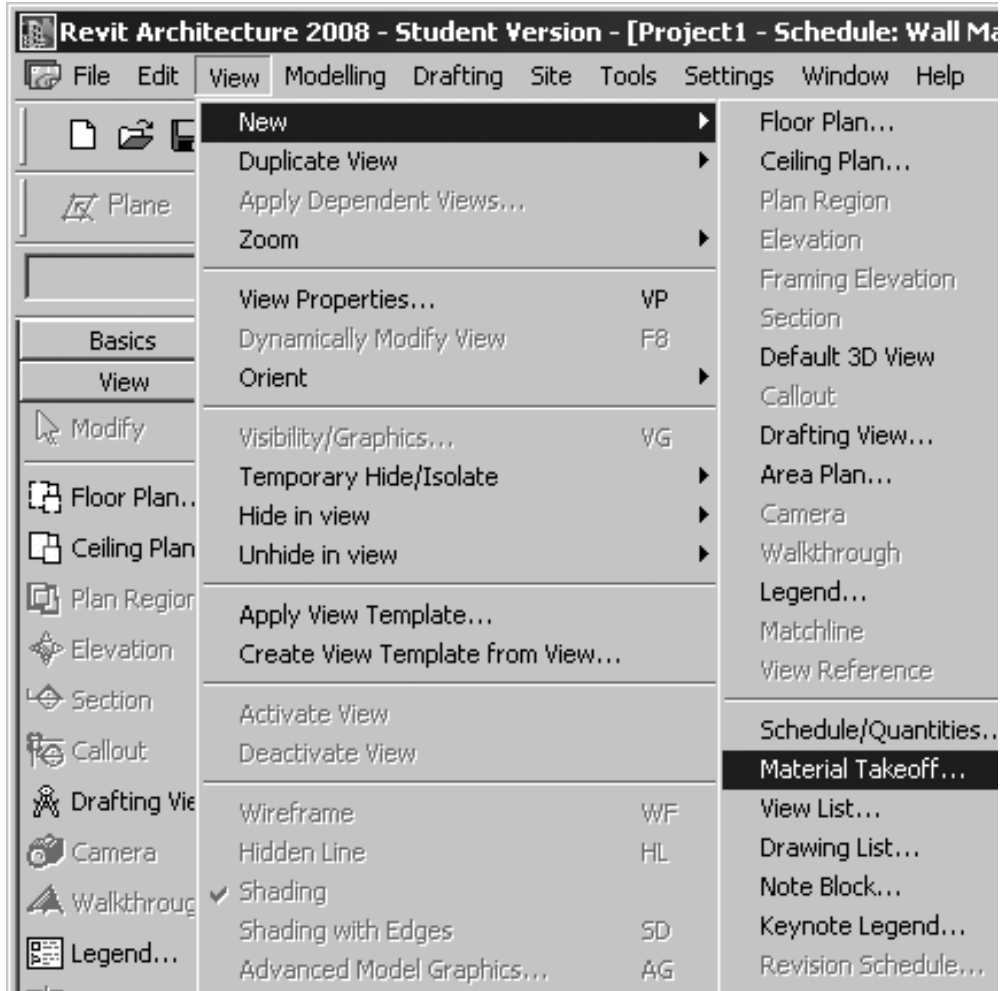
Type: Generic - 8" Duplicate... Rename...

Type Parameters:

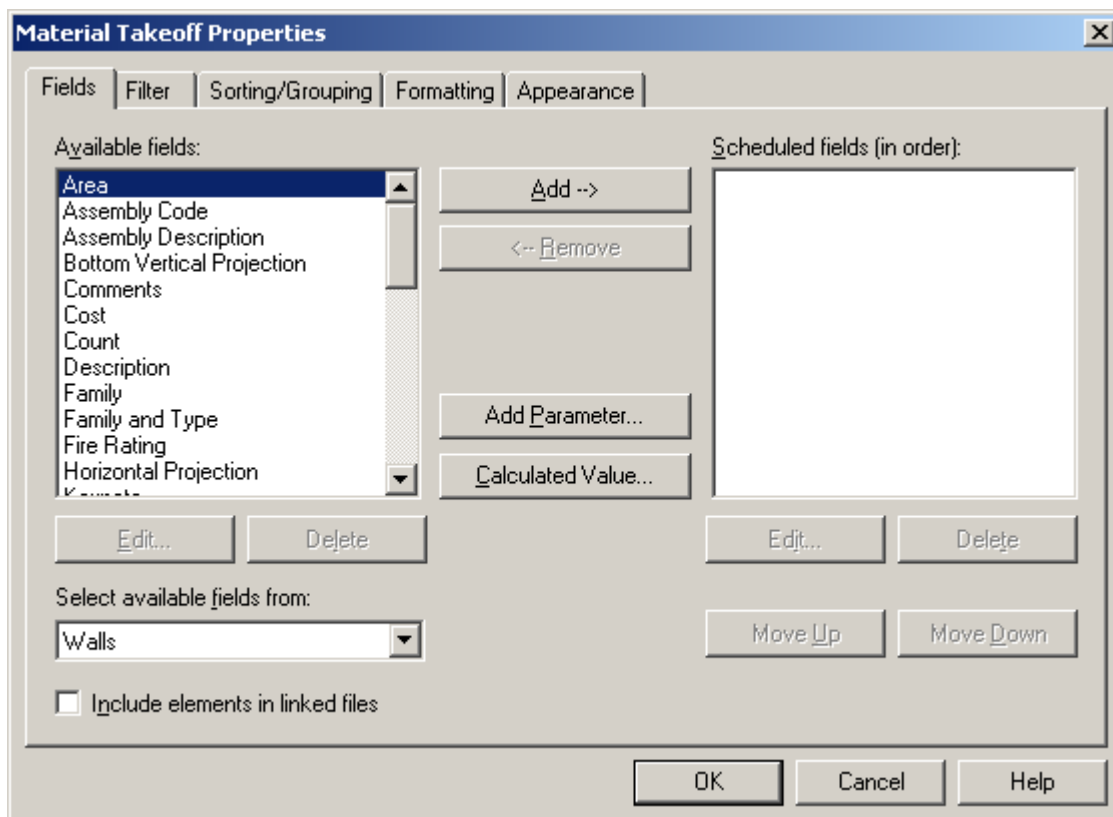
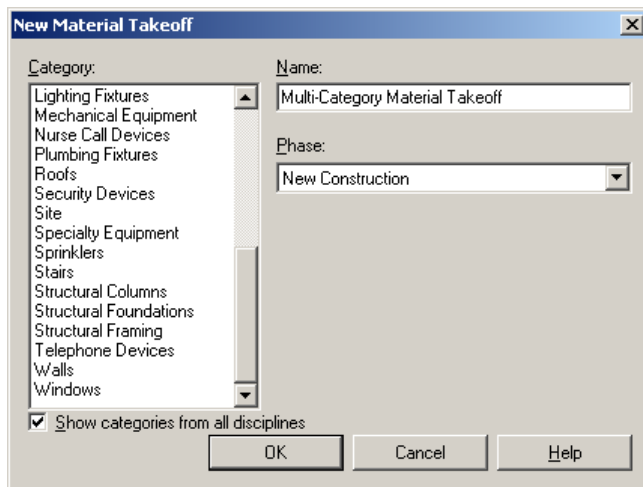
Parameter	Value
Construction ^	
Structure	Edit...
Wrapping at Inserts	Do not wrap
Wrapping at Ends	None
Width	0' 8"
Wall Function	Exterior
Graphics ^	
Coarse Scale Fill Pattern	
Coarse Scale Fill Color	Black
Identity Data ^	
Keynote	
Model	
Manufacturer	
Type Comments	
URL	
Description	
Assembly Description	Exterior Walls
Assembly Code	B2010
Type Mark	
Fire Rating	
Cost	8.00

<< Preview OK Cancel Apply

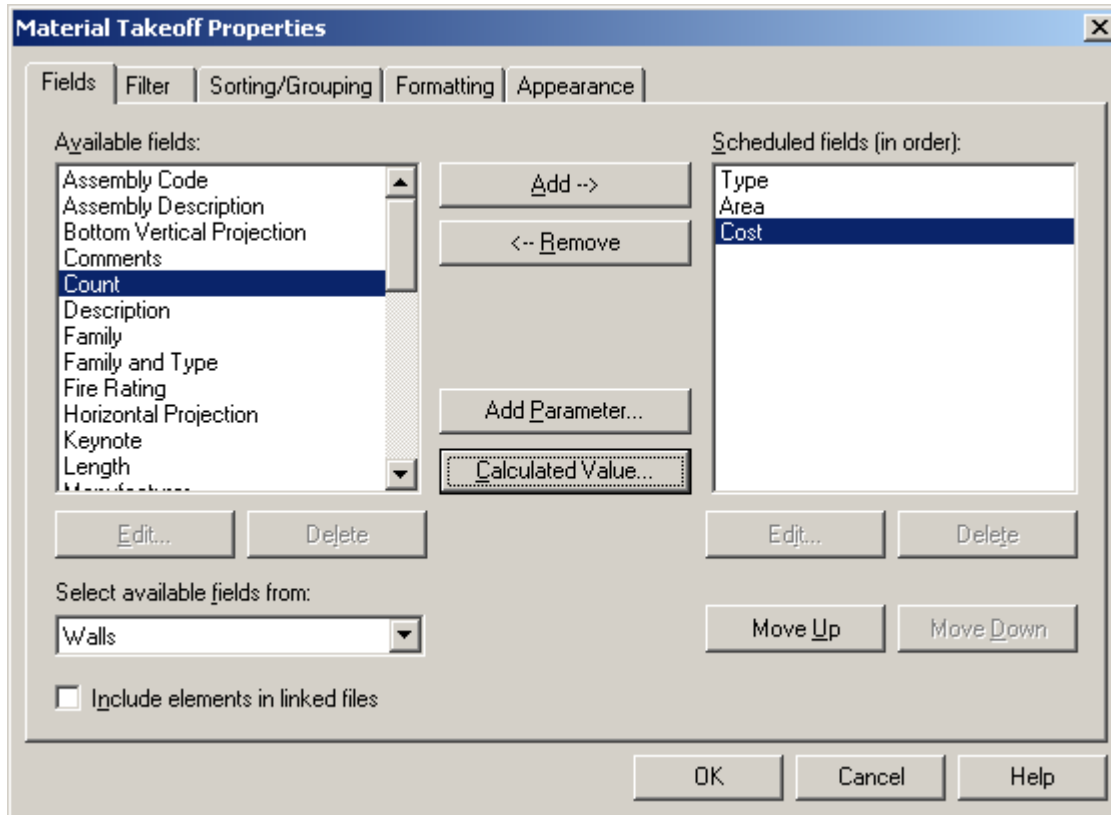
Then, from the View pulldown menu, I selected “New” “Material Takeoff...” as shown below:



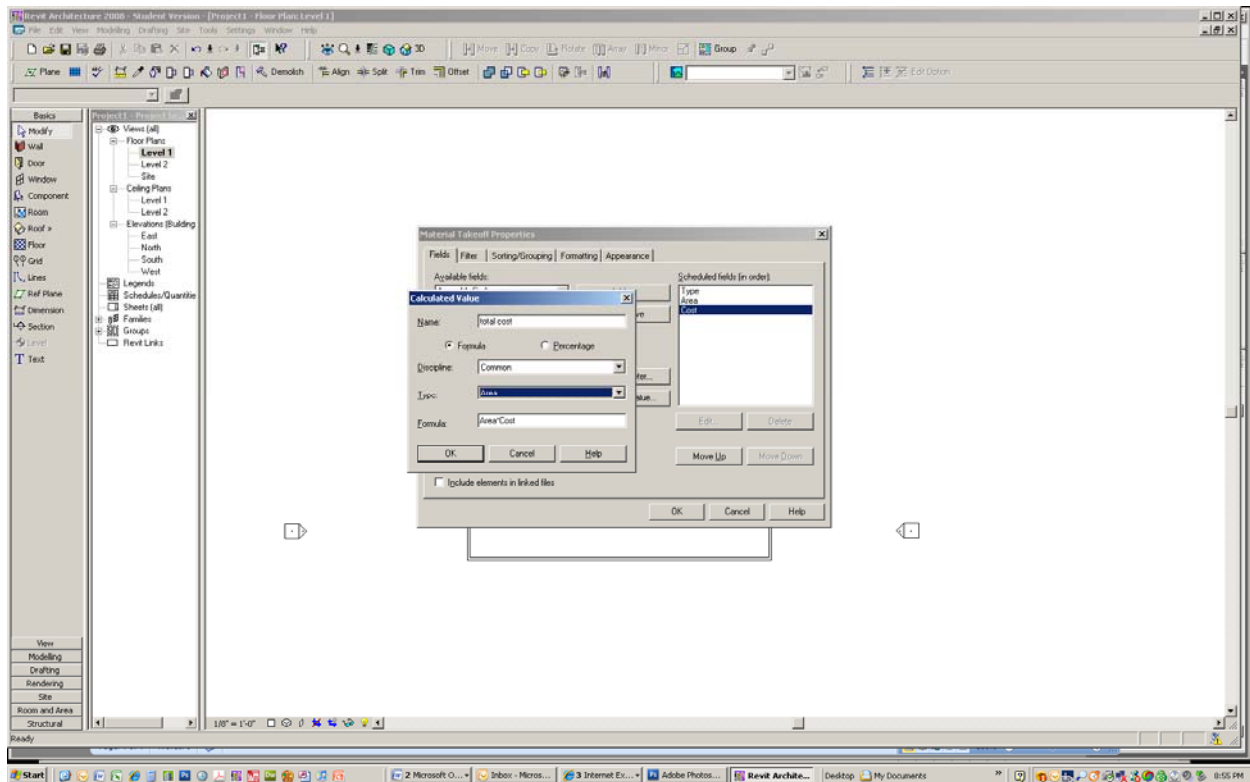
I selected the Walls Category



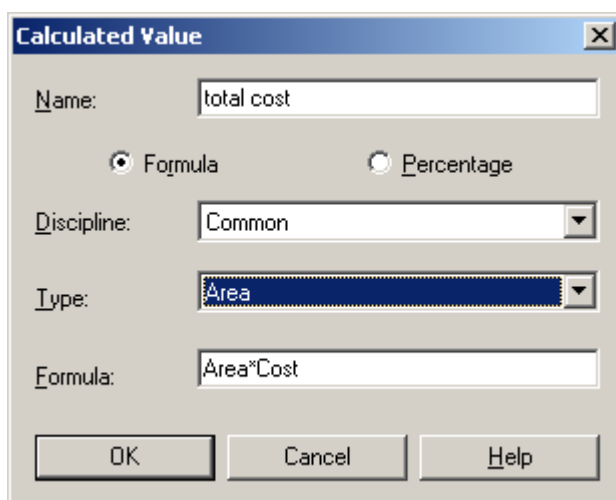
I selected “Type,” “Area,” and “Cost” parameters from the list to go into the Material Takeoff schedule



Then I created a new “Calculated value” and named it “total cost” as shown below



Set up the choices as shown below:



Now Right Click and select “View Properties”

Element Properties

Family: System Family: Schedule Load...

Type: Schedule Edit / New...

Type Parameters: Control all elements of this type

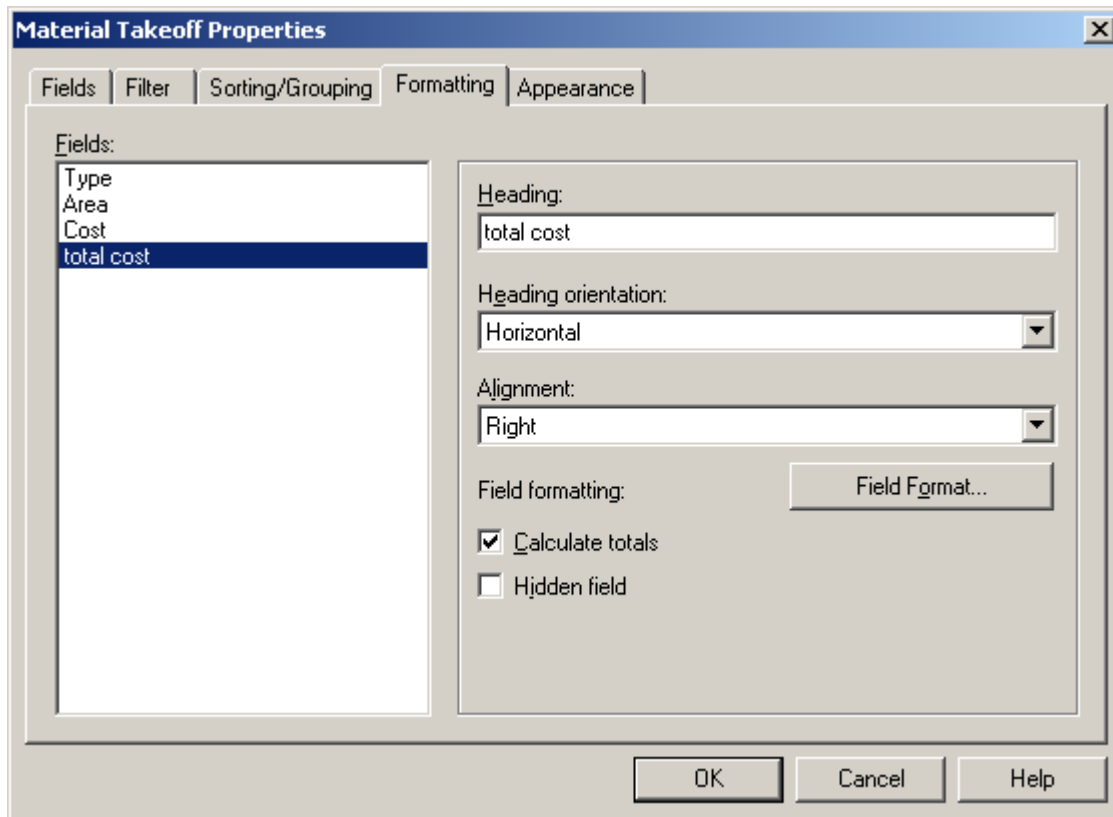
Parameter	Value
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Instance Parameters - Control selected or to-be-created instance

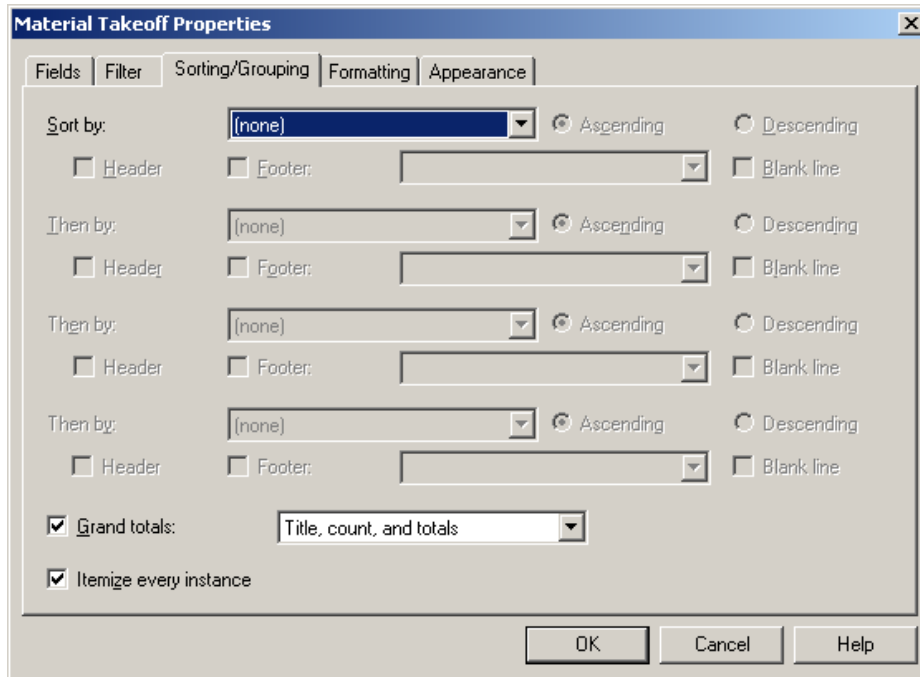
Parameter	Value
Identity Data >>	
View Name	Wall Material Takeoff
Dependency	Independent
Default View Template	None
Phasing >>	
Phase Filter	Show All
Phase	New Construction
Other >>	
Fields	Edit...
Filter	Edit...
Sorting/Grouping	Edit...
Formatting	Edit...
Appearance	Edit...

OK Cancel

Under the “total cost” field in the “Formatting” tab, select “Calculate totals” and change Alignment to “Right”



Check “Grand Totals” under Sorting/Grouping



The image shows the 'Material Takeoff Properties' dialog box with the 'Sorting/Grouping' tab selected. The dialog has four tabs: 'Fields', 'Filter', 'Sorting/Grouping', and 'Appearance'. The 'Sorting/Grouping' tab contains the following settings:

- Sort by:** A dropdown menu set to '(none)', with radio buttons for 'Ascending' (selected) and 'Descending'.
- Header:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Footer:** A dropdown menu.
- Blank line:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Then by:** A dropdown menu set to '(none)', with radio buttons for 'Ascending' (selected) and 'Descending'.
- Header:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Footer:** A dropdown menu.
- Blank line:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Then by:** A dropdown menu set to '(none)', with radio buttons for 'Ascending' (selected) and 'Descending'.
- Header:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Footer:** A dropdown menu.
- Blank line:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Grand totals:** A checked checkbox, followed by a dropdown menu set to 'Title, count, and totals'.
- Itemize every instance:** A checked checkbox.

At the bottom of the dialog are three buttons: 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help'.

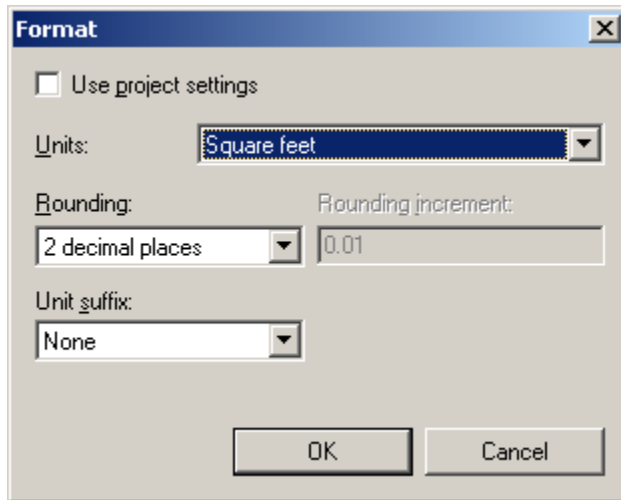
Then select the “Field Format” box.

Clear “Use Project settings”

Units are “Square Feet”

Rounding to 2 decimal places

Unit suffix: “None”



The image shows a screenshot of the 'Format' dialog box in Revit. The dialog has a title bar with the word 'Format' and a close button. Inside, there is a checkbox labeled 'Use project settings' which is unchecked. Below this is a 'Units:' label followed by a dropdown menu showing 'Square feet'. To the right of the units is a 'Rounding increment:' label followed by a text box containing '0.01'. Below the units dropdown is a 'Rounding:' label followed by a dropdown menu showing '2 decimal places'. At the bottom is a 'Unit suffix:' label followed by a dropdown menu showing 'None'. At the very bottom are two buttons: 'OK' and 'Cancel'.

This is how the calculated value Wall Material Takeoff will look: It will not have a \$ sign in the total cost column

The screenshot shows the Revit Architecture 2008 - Student Version interface. The title bar reads "Revit Architecture 2008 - Student Version - [Project1 - Schedule: Wall Material Takeoff]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Modelling, Drafting, Site, Tools, Settings, Window, and Help. The ribbon contains various toolsets: Plane, ABC, Demolish, Align, Split, Trim, and 3D. The left pane shows the "Basics" tab with a tree view of "Project1 - Project browser" containing Views (all), Floor Plans (Level 1, Level 2, Site), Ceiling Plans (Level 1, Level 2), and Elevations (Building) (East, North, South, West). The right pane displays a table titled "Wall Material Takeoff" with the following data:

Type	Area	Cost	total cost
Generic -	1630 SF	8.00	13040.00
Generic -	950 SF	8.00	7600.00
Generic -	1617 SF	8.00	12933.33
Generic -	963 SF	8.00	7706.67

End of How to calculate total wall costs in Revit