

MANAGE **RISKS**

Systems engineering, born at the dawn of the Space Age, brought engineering principles to the management of government sponsored programs of unprecedented complexity. Success then was defined simply in terms of meeting performance targets. Now, programs must meet complex sets of requirements, driven not only by their sponsors but also by an increasingly diverse range of stakeholders—political, environmental, financial, and societal.

The result is a rising demand for engineers who can blend all decision elements—human and technical—into holistic systems that achieve results. Those who can manage to focus on critical details without losing sight of the overall vision are leaders. In every realm of advanced manufacturing and construction, including and especially aerospace and defense, systems engineering provides the intellectual framework required for mission success.

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CONCEPT SOLUTIONS THINK PROCESS

SMU Lyle meets customer needs in its Master's program in Systems Engineering. In this rich, 30-hour experience, students acquire and nurture critical thinking skills required to clearly define a project and its goals. They assess risks and alternatives to make valid management and engineering choices. Most importantly, from a systems thinking perspective, they conceive a complete end-to-end solution that directs a project through its entire life cycle. In the process, students acquire the upper-level management skills and enhanced engineering knowledge that help enable them to meet their own professional goals.

ACHIEVE END STATE

Developed by Dr. Jerrell Stracener, the Systems Engineering Program (SEP) at SMU is unique in its focus, faculty, curriculum, and partnerships. From its inception in 1994, the SEP has developed around the particular needs of the aerospace and defense (A&D) industry. Because of this, we've enjoyed active collaboration and expert guidance from the U.S. DoD and systems engineering practitioners at Bell Helicopter, Lockheed Martin, Raytheon, Sikorsky, Vought, and many other leading A&D organizations. The fact that most of our students and faculty work in the nation's A&D community, both industry and government, and hold DoD security clearances adds even greater depth to this challenging program, **Unique by Design™**. EngineeringLeaders@SMU.edu

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SMU's MSSE program has allowed our company to make a long-term investment in its future viability by educating engineers in useful subject matter they might not otherwise hear about. I worked for 20 years before I began my Master's. I thought I knew all there was to know about engineering. I soon came to realize that my knowledge of what really mattered in engineering complex systems was about to change. Dr. Stracener broadened our horizons and focused our efforts where they matter corporately—on the bottom line.

Roger Carver Senior Staff Electronics Engineer | Defense – Electronic Systems

MASTER OF SCIENCE | SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Thirty term-credit hours (30 TCH) of graduate courses with a minimum graduate G.P.A. of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

Satisfactory completion of five core courses (15 TCH).

Systems Analysis Methods Systems Engineering Process Integrated Risk Management Systems Reliability, Supportability, & Availability Analysis Systems Integration and Test

Satisfactory completion of five courses (15 TCH) from the following.

Systems Engineering Design Software Systems Engineering Systems Architecture Development Systems Engineering Planning and Management Systems Engineering Leadership Systems Reliability Engineering Human-Systems Integration Logistics Systems Engineering Systems Life Cycle Cost and Affordability Analysis Systems Test and Evaluation Collective Systems Design Innovation in Systems Design Systems Engineering Tools Six Sigma for Systems Engineering Supply Chain Systems Engineering Operations Research Models Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis Optimization Models for Decision Support Production Systems Engineering Reliability Engineering Statistical Quality Control



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