

**Lyle School of Engineering**  
**Graduate Programs**  
**Southern Methodist University**  
**2017-2018 Catalog**

# Catalog Policy and Legal Statement

## Bulletin of Southern Methodist University 2017-2018

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Southern Methodist University publishes a complete bulletin every year. The following catalogs constitute the General Bulletin of the University:

- Undergraduate Catalog
- Cox School of Business Graduate Catalog
- Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences Graduate Catalog
- Dedman School of Law Graduate Catalog
- SMU Guildhall Graduate Catalog
- Lyle School of Engineering Graduate Catalog
- Meadows School of the Arts Graduate Catalog
- Perkins School of Theology Graduate Catalog
- Simmons School of Education and Human Development Graduate Catalog

In addition, certain locations or programs provide their own schedules:

- Continuing Education
- Jan Term
- SMU Abroad
- SMU-in-Plano
- SMU-in-Taos (Fort Burgwin)
- Summer Studies

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# Academic Calendar

## Academic Year 2017-2018

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This calendar includes a list of religious holidays for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy 1.9. For religious holidays not listed, students should contact the Office of the Chaplain. Graduate programs in the Cox School of Business, the SMU Guildhall, the Perkins School of Theology, the Dedman School of Law, the Department of Dispute Resolution and Counseling within the Simmons School of Education and Human Development, and the Master of Science in Data Science offered as an interdisciplinary program through the Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, the Lyle School of Engineering and the Meadows School of the Arts, have different calendars.

## Fall Term 2017

**April 10-28, Monday-Friday:** Enrollment for fall 2017 continuing students for all undergraduates and for graduates in Dedman College, Lyle and Meadows.

**May, July, August - TBA:** Academic Advising, Enrollment and Orientation conferences for new first-year and transfer undergraduate students. Additional information about AARO is available from New Student Programs, Student Life Office, 214-768-4560, [www.smu.edu/newstudent](http://www.smu.edu/newstudent).

**August 19, Saturday:** Residence halls officially open at 9 a.m.

**August 20, Sunday:** Opening Convocation, McFarlin Auditorium.

**August 21, Monday:** First day of classes.

**August 25, Friday:** Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without tuition billing while remaining enrolled for the term. Last day to file for graduation in December.

**September 1, Friday:** Last day to drop a course without academic record ([tuition charges apply](#)). Last day to withdraw from the university without academic record ([withdrawal refund schedule applies](#)). See Bursar's website for more information.

**September 4, Monday:** Labor Day. University closed.

**September 6, Wednesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options. Also, last day to request an excused absence for the observance of a religious holiday.

**September 22-24, Friday-Sunday:** Family Weekend.

**September 26, Tuesday:** Early intervention grades due for first-year undergraduate students.

**October 4, Wednesday:** Last day for continuing undergraduate students to change their majors for spring 2018 enrollment.

**October 9-10, Monday-Tuesday:** Fall break.

**October 22, Sunday:** Midterm grades due for first-year and sophomore students.

**October 30, Monday:** 60 percent point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU; prior to this date, a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

**October 30-November 17, Monday-Friday:** Enrollment for spring 2018 continuing students for all undergraduates and for graduates in Dedman College, Lyle and Meadows.

**November 3, Friday:** Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

**November 3-4, Friday-Saturday:** Homecoming Weekend.

**November 9, Thursday:** Last day for December graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

**November 13, Monday:** Students should file for May graduation. The last day to file is January 26, 2018.

**November 21, Tuesday:** Last day to withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**November 22, Wednesday:** No classes.

**November 23-24, Thursday-Friday:** Thanksgiving holiday. University closed.

**November 29-December 4, Wednesday-Monday:** No final examinations or unscheduled tests/papers.

**November 30, Thursday:** Last day for oral/written examinations for December graduate degree candidates.

**December 4, Monday:** Last day of classes.

**December 5-6, Tuesday-Wednesday:** Reading days.

**December 7-13, Thursday-Wednesday:** Examinations. (No examinations scheduled for Sunday.)

**December 14, Thursday:** Residence halls close at 10 a.m. for winter break. (December graduates and residential students who need winter break housing should contact the Department of Residence Life and Student Housing.)

**December 16, Saturday:** December Commencement Convocation. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

**December 25-January 1, Monday-Monday:** University closed.

**December 25, Monday:** Christmas Day.

## January Interterm 2018

*Note:* Some areas of instruction offer selected courses during the January interterm, December 14-January 18.

**January 1, Monday:** New Year's Day. University closed.

## Dallas Jan Term 2018

**January 8, Monday:** First day of classes.

**January 9, Tuesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail.

**January 17, Wednesday:** Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**January 18, Thursday:** Last day of classes, including examinations. Also, official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

## Jan Term at SMU-in-Taos 2018

**Note:** The following dates are applicable only for SMU-in-Taos. Permission of SMU-in-Taos is required for all enrollments.

**January 5, Friday:** Wellness student travel day and arrival, 2-6 p.m.

**January 7, Sunday:** Regular session travel day and arrival, 2-6 p.m.

**January 8, Monday:** First day of classes.

**January 9, Tuesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail.

**January 15, Monday:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. University closed.

**January 16, Tuesday:** Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**January 17, Wednesday:** Last day of classes, including examinations.

**January 18, Thursday:** Departure of Students. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

## Spring Term 2018

**November 6-January 26, Monday-Friday:** Enrollment for spring 2018 continuing students for all undergraduates and for graduates in Dedman College, Lyle and Meadows.

**January - TBA:** Academic Advising, Enrollment and Orientation conferences for new first-year and transfer undergraduate students. Additional information about AARO is available from New Student Programs, Student Life Office, [www.smu.edu/newstudent](http://www.smu.edu/newstudent), 214-768-4560.

**January 1, Monday:** New Year's Day. University closed.

**January 12, Friday:** Residence halls officially open at 9 a.m.

**January 15, Monday:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. University closed.

**January 22, Monday:** First day of classes.

**January 26, Friday:** Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without tuition billing while remaining enrolled for the term. Last day to file for May graduation.

**February 2, Friday:** Last day to drop a course without academic record ([tuition changes apply](#)). Last day to withdraw from the university without academic record ([withdrawal refund schedule applies](#)). See Bursar's website for more information.

**February 6, Tuesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options. Also, last day to request an excused absence for the observance of a religious holiday.

**February 26, Monday:** Early intervention grades due for first-year undergraduate students.

**March 6, Tuesday:** Last day for continuing undergraduate students to change their majors for fall 2018 enrollment.

**March 12-18, Monday–Sunday:** Spring break.

**March 27, Tuesday:** Midterm grades due for first-year and sophomore students.

**March 30, Friday:** Good Friday. University closed.

**April 1, Sunday:** Easter Sunday.

**April 4, Wednesday:** 60 percent point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU; prior to this date, a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

**April 10–27, Tuesday–Friday:** Enrollment for summer 2018 and fall 2018 continuing students for all undergraduates and for graduates in Dedman College, Lyle and Meadows.

**April 11, Wednesday:** Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

**April 13, Friday:** Last day for May graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

**April 16, Monday:** Honors Convocation, 5:30 p.m.

**April 25, Wednesday:** Students should file for August or December graduation. Last day to file for August graduation is June 7. Last day to file for December graduation is the last day to enroll for fall 2018.

**April 27, Friday:** Last day to withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**May 2-7, Wednesday–Monday:** No final examinations or unscheduled tests or papers.

**May 3, Thursday:** Last day for oral/written examinations for graduate students who are May degree candidates.

**May 7, Monday:** Last day of classes; follows a Friday schedule.

**May 8, Tuesday:** Reading day.

**May 9-15, Wednesday–Tuesday:** Examinations. (No examinations scheduled Sunday.)

**May 16, Wednesday:** Residence halls officially close for non-graduating students.

**May 18, Friday:** Baccalaureate.

**May 19, Saturday:** Commencement Convocation. Also, official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

**May 20, Sunday:** Residence halls officially close for graduating seniors.

## May Interterm 2018

**Note:** Some areas of instruction may offer a limited number of selected courses during the May term, May 17-June 1. Each May term course may have unique start and end dates during May 17-June 1 to accommodate the particular needs of the course.

# Dallas May Term 2018

*Classes meet 4 hours a day, Monday-Friday.*

**May 17, Thursday:** First day of classes.

**May 18, Friday:** Last day to enroll or add courses. Also, last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options.

**May 28, Monday:** Memorial Day. University closed.

**May 29, Tuesday:** Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**June 1, Friday:** Last day of classes, including examinations. Also, official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

**June 7, Thursday:** Last day to file for August graduation.

# May Term at SMU-in-Taos 2018

**Note:** The following dates are applicable only for SMU-in-Taos. Permission of SMU-in-Taos is required for all enrollments.

**May 16, Wednesday:** Student travel day and arrival, 2-6 p.m.

**May 17, Thursday:** First day of classes.

**May 29, Tuesday:** Last day to drop/withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**June 1, Friday:** Last day of classes, including examinations. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

**June 2, Saturday:** Departure of students.

# Summer Term 2018

Summer term consists of three primary sessions: first session, second session and a full summer session. Each primary session has different deadline dates. There are also shorter and longer sessions to accommodate the particular needs of various instructional units such as SMU Abroad, SMU-in-Taos and the Perkins School of Theology.

# Full Summer Session

*Classes meet 2 hours, 15 minutes twice a week or 1 hour, 30 minutes three times a week.*

**May 28, Monday:** Memorial Day. University closed.

**June 4, Monday:** First day of classes.

**June 7, Thursday:** Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without a grade record. Also, last day to file for August graduation.

**June 13, Wednesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options.



**July 4, Wednesday:** Independence Day. University closed.

**July 19, Thursday:** Last day for August graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

**July 26, Thursday:** Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

**August 1, Wednesday:** Last day to withdraw from the University.

**August 7, Tuesday:** Last day of classes, including examinations. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

## First Session

*Classes meet 2 hours a day, Monday-Friday.*

**May 28, Monday:** Memorial Day. University closed.

**June 4, Monday:** First day of classes.

**June 5, Tuesday:** Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without a grade record.

**June 7, Thursday:** Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options. Last day to file for August graduation.

**June 26, Tuesday:** Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

**June 27, Wednesday:** Last day to withdraw from the University.

**July 3, Tuesday:** Last day of classes, including examinations.

## Summer I Session at SMU-in-Taos

**Note:** The following dates are applicable only for SMU-in-Taos. Permission of SMU-in-Taos is required for all enrollments.

**June 4, Monday:** Travel day and arrival of students, 2–6 p.m.

**June 5, Tuesday:** First day of classes.

**June 26, Tuesday:** Last day to drop/withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**June 29, Friday:** Last day of classes, including examinations.

**June 30, Saturday:** Departure of students.

## Second Session

*Classes meet 2 hours a day, Monday-Friday.*

**June 7, Thursday:** Last day to file for August graduation.

**July 4, Wednesday:** Independence Day. University closed.

**July 5, Thursday:** First day of classes.

**July 6, Friday:** Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without a grade record.

**July 10, Tuesday:** Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options.

**July 16, Monday:** Last day for August graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

**July 26, Thursday:** Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

**July 30, Monday:** Last day to withdraw from the University.

**August 3, Friday:** Last day of classes, including examinations.

**August 7, Tuesday:** Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

## August Term at SMU-in-Taos 2018

*Note:* The following dates are applicable only for SMU-in-Taos. Permission of SMU-in-Taos is required for all enrollments.

**July 31, Tuesday:** Travel day and arrival of students, 2–6 p.m.

**August 1, Wednesday:** First day of classes.

**August 15, Wednesday:** Last day to drop/withdraw from the University (grade of W).

**August 16, Thursday:** Last day of classes, including examinations. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

**August 17, Friday:** Departure of students.

## Major Religious Holidays

*(August 2017-August 2018)*

The following list of religious holidays is for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy 1.9. For religious holidays not listed, the instructor or supervisor may contact the Office of the Chaplain.

### Christian

**Christmas:** December 25, 2017

**Good Friday:** March 30, 2018

**Easter Sunday:** April 1, 2018

**Easter Sunday (Orthodox):** April 8, 2018

# Hindu

**Janmashtami:** August 15, 2017

**Dasera:** September 30, 2017

**Diwali:** October 19, 2017

# Jewish\*

**Rosh Hashanah:** September 21-22, 2017

**Yom Kippur:** September 30, 2017

**Sukkot/Simchat Torah:** October 5/6, 2017 & October 13, 2017

**Purim:** March 1, 2018

**Hanukkah:** December 12-20, 2017

**Pesach (Passover):** March 31-April 7, 2018

**Shavuot:** May 20-21, 2018

# Muslim

**Eid al-Adha:** September 1, 2017

**Islamic New Year:** September 21, 2017

**Ashura:** October 1, 2017

**Mawlid an-Nabi:** December 1, 2017

**Ramadan:** May 16-June 14, 2018

**Eid al-Fitr:** June 15, 2018

\* All holidays begin at sundown before the first day noted and conclude at sundown on the day(s) noted.

# General Information

## The Vision of Southern Methodist University

To create and impart knowledge that will shape citizens who contribute to their communities and lead their professions in a global society.

## The Mission of Southern Methodist University

Southern Methodist University will create, expand and impart knowledge through teaching, research and service, shaping world changers who contribute to their communities and excel in their professions in a global society. Among its faculty, students and staff, the University will cultivate principled thought, develop intellectual skills and promote an environment emphasizing individual dignity and worth. SMU affirms its historical commitment to academic freedom and open inquiry, to moral and ethical values, and to its United Methodist heritage.

## Southern Methodist University

As a private, comprehensive university enriched by its United Methodist heritage and its partnership with the Dallas Metroplex, Southern Methodist University seeks to enhance the intellectual, cultural, technical, ethical and social development of a diverse student body. SMU offers undergraduate programs centered on the liberal arts; excellent graduate and continuing education programs; and abundant opportunities for access to faculty in small classes, research experience, international study, leadership development, and off-campus service and internships, with the goal of preparing students to be contributing citizens and leaders for our state, the nation and the world.

SMU comprises seven degree-granting schools: Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, Edwin L. Cox School of Business, Dedman School of Law, Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering, Meadows School of the Arts, Perkins School of Theology, and Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development.

Founded in 1911 by what is now the United Methodist Church, SMU is non-sectarian in its teaching and is committed to the values of academic freedom and open inquiry.

At its opening session in 1915, the University had two buildings, 706 students, a 35-member faculty and total assets of \$633,540.

Today, the University has more than 100 buildings, a total enrollment averaging more than 10,000 the past 10 years, a full-time faculty of 748 and assets of \$2.9 billion - including an endowment of \$1.4 billion (market value, May 31, 2016).

Offering only a handful of degree programs at its 1915 opening, the University presently awards over 100 baccalaureate degrees in more than 90 programs, with in five schools. The university also offers a variety of graduate programs in all of its seven schools.

Of the 11,739 students enrolled for the 2016 fall term, 6,521 were undergraduates and 5,218 were graduate students. The full-time equivalent enrollment was 6,406 for undergraduates and 3,825 for graduate students.

Nearly all the students in SMU's first class came from Dallas County, but now more than 50 percent of the University's undergraduate student body comes from outside Texas. In a typical school year, students come to SMU from every state; from more than 100 foreign countries; and from all races, religions and economic levels.

Undergraduate enrollment is 50 percent female. Graduate and professional enrollment is 46 percent female.

A majority of SMU undergraduates receive some form of financial aid. In 2016-2017, 79 percent of first-year students received some form of financial aid, and 29 percent of first-year students received need-based financial aid.

Management of the University is vested in a board of trustees of civic, business and religious leaders - Methodist and non-Methodist. The founders' first charge to SMU was that it become not necessarily a great *Methodist* university, but a great *university*.

## Academic Accreditation

Southern Methodist University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award bachelor's, master's, professional and doctoral degrees. Students should contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Southern Methodist University. Note: The commission is to be contacted only if there is evidence that appears to support an institution's significant noncompliance with a requirement or standard.

Individual academic programs are accredited by appropriate national professional associations.

In Dedman College, the Department of Chemistry undergraduate program is accredited by the American Chemical Society, and the Psychology Department's Ph.D. program in clinical psychology is accredited by the American Psychological Association.

The Cox School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.

The Dedman School of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association.

The Guildhall receives its accreditation because SMU is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

The Lyle School of Engineering undergraduate programs in civil engineering, computer engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, environmental engineering and mechanical engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of The Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

Programs in and/or affiliated with The Meadows School of the Arts receive their accreditation because Southern Methodist University is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design, of Music, of Dance, and of Theater. The programs recognized under this accredited institutional membership are the art and art history programs, the Dance Division, the Music Division, the music therapy program, and the theater program. (NASM/NASAD/NASD/NAST 11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21, Reston, VA 20190-5248, Telephone: (703) 437-0700, Facsimile: (703) 437-6312, Email: info@arts-accredit.org).

Perkins School of Theology is accredited by the Commission on Accrediting of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada to award M.Div., M.A.M., M.S.M., M.T.S., Th.M. and D.Min. degrees.

Accredited programs in the Simmons School of Education and Human Development include the teacher education undergraduate and graduate programs, which are accredited by the State Board for Educator Certification of the Texas Education Agency. The SBEC and the TEA also accredits the M.Ed. in Accelerated School Leadership and the M.Ed. Urban Leadership. The M.S. in Counseling meets the licensure standards of the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors and the Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists and the State Board for Educator Certification (TEA) School Counselor All Levels K-12.

# Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering traces its roots to 1925, when the Technical Club of Dallas, a professional organization of practicing engineers, petitioned SMU to fulfill the need for an engineering school in the Southwest. The Lyle School of Engineering has grown to become a thriving school, with graduate programs in a variety of areas.

Corporate support for the engineering school has generated a remarkable array of equipment and laboratories. Recent additions include a microwave lab from General Dynamics and a robotics lab from General Electric. Additional laboratories are being developed with funds from AT&T and Southwestern Bell. The Dallas area's national prominence in high technology and research is a major benefit for the Lyle School of Engineering.

All programs of education and research in engineering and applied science are conducted through the Lyle School of Engineering. The school is organized into the following five departments: Civil and Environmental Engineering; Computer Science and Engineering; Electrical Engineering; Engineering Management, Information and Systems; and Mechanical Engineering.

## Programs and Courses

All courses offered in the Lyle School of Engineering are identified by a two-, three- or four-letter prefix code, designating the general subject area of the course, followed by a four-digit number. The first digit specifies the approximate level of the course as follows: 7 – graduate and 8 – advanced graduate. The second digit denotes the credit hours associated with the course. The last two digits specify the course numbers. Thus, CSE 7320 denotes a course offered by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at the (7) graduate level, having three credit hours and having the course number 20. The prefix codes are as follows:

<b>CEE</b>	Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
<b>CSE</b>	Department of Computer Science and Engineering
<b>DSIN</b>	Multidisciplinary Programs
<b>EE</b>	Department of Electrical Engineering
<b>EMIS</b>	Department of Engineering Management, Information and Systems
<b>ENGR</b>	Multidisciplinary Programs
<b>ME</b>	Department of Mechanical Engineering
<b>MSDS</b>	Multidisciplinary Programs

Additional information is found under Interpretation of Course Numbers in the Enrollment Policies section of this catalog.

# Degree Programs

The Lyle School of Engineering offers curricula leading to M.A., M.S., Doctor of Engineering and Ph.D. degrees. The M.A., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees generally are directed toward specific branches of engineering and applied science, whereas the curricula for the professional degree of Doctor of Engineering is directed toward professional practice based on a broad range of engineering fundamentals. All graduate programs are individually designed in conference between the student and his or her supervisory committee. The following table shows the major areas in which students may major at the several graduate-degree levels:

<b>Transcript</b>		<b>Degree or Diploma</b>	
<i>Dept.</i>	<i>Major Area</i>	<i>Master</i>	<i>Doctor</i>
CEE	Civil Engineering	M.S.C.E.	
CEE	Civil and Environmental Engineering		Ph.D.
CEE	Environmental Engineering	M.S.Env.E.	
CEE	Sustainability and Development	M.A.	
CEE	Computer Engineering	M.S.Cp.E.	Ph.D.
CEE	Computer Science	M.S.	Ph.D.
CEE	Security Engineering	M.S.	
CEE	Software Engineering	M.S.	D.Engr.
EE	Electrical Engineering	M.S.E.E.	Ph.D.
EE	Telecommunications and Network Engineering	M.S.	
EMIS	Engineering Management	M.S.E.M.	D.Engr.
EMIS	Engineering Entrepreneurship	M.S.E.N.	
EMIS	Information Engineering and Management	M.S.I.E.M.	
EMIS	Operations Research	M.S.	Ph.D.
EMIS	Systems Engineering	M.S.	Ph.D.
ME	Mechanical Engineering	M.S.M.E.	Ph.D.
ME	Manufacturing Systems Management	M.S.	
Multiple	Applied Science	M.S.	Ph.D.
Multiple	Data Science	M.S.D.S.	
Multiple	Datacenter Systems Engineering	M.S.	

Engineering education beyond the baccalaureate degree may have one or any combination of the following four objectives, some of which may relate only indirectly to a graduate degree:

1. **Upgrading:** Taking advanced work to raise the level of one's formal capabilities.
2. **Updating:** Keeping one's education current; for example, a person who received a B.S. degree 10 years ago may take coursework to make his or her formal education comparable to that of a person receiving a B.S. degree this year.
3. **Diversification:** Seeking to obtain formal education in another field, but not necessarily at a higher degree level.
4. **Maturing:** Adding new perspectives on one's own field without raising the academic level of the education.

## Admission

Applicants who hold baccalaureate or higher degrees in engineering, mathematics or the sciences from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, or who have completed an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree from a college or university of recognized standing, will be considered for admission to the Graduate Division of the Lyle School of Engineering for the purpose of pursuing work leading to an advanced degree in engineering or applied science. Each case is considered on an individual basis, and due to the wide variations in student education, past performance, age, experience and academic objective, individualized graduate-program requirements for each student may be anticipated.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants for admission to the Graduate Division must have a minimum GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies. Three letters of recommendation are required for all doctoral applicants and for all applicants requesting financial aid. In addition, an official GRE graduate school admission test score is required in the following cases: 1) for master's applicants in civil engineering, computer engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, environmental engineering, and mechanical engineering programs; 2) for all doctoral applicants; and 3) for all applicants requesting financial aid.

Graduate students applying for admission to the Lyle School of Engineering are required to pay an appropriate application fee, which must accompany the application. Applications will not be considered unless the complete official transcripts of the applicant's prior undergraduate and graduate work are in the possession of the SMU Office of Admissions. The transcript is regarded as official only if it is received directly from the registrar of the institution in which the work was done, or if it is an original and authenticated transcript bearing the institutional seal. A statement of purpose is required.

Graduates from foreign countries who apply to Ph.D. programs are required to submit three letters of recommendation. A notarized financial certification form verifying sufficient assets in the form of savings accounts must be received prior to issuance of a student visa. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a TOEFL English language proficiency test or its equivalent with a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based examination, 213 on the computer-based examination or 80 overall score on the Internet-based examination. A score of 6.5 or better is also acceptable on the IELTS English language proficiency test. For further information, students should write to TOEFL, PO Box 899, Princeton NJ 08541, U.S.A., or visit [www.TOEFL.org](http://www.TOEFL.org).

Domestic students must apply and submit all requisite application materials by no later than July 1 for fall admission, November 15 for spring admission and April 15 for summer admission. *All international students* use the following dates: May 15 for fall admission, and September 1 for spring admission. Students apply for admission online at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/ApplyNow](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/ApplyNow).



## **Readmission of Students**

Students who formerly attended SMU but who did not attend the immediately prior regular term or terms (not including the summer session) are considered readmission students and are required to file an application for readmission by the application deadline. If a student applies for readmission, all incomplete grades must be removed prior to readmission. The decision to re-admit or not re-admit is made by each department in consultation with the Associate Dean. Additional information is found in under Lyle Graduate Programs Policies and Procedures in the Academic Records and General and Enrollment Standards section of this catalog.

## **Financial Aid**

Graduate students who would like to be considered for financial aid must first be accepted for admission to the Lyle School of Engineering. For financial aid from the Lyle School of Engineering, contact the specific academic department. Requests for financial assistance from departments are reviewed during the admission process and applicants are notified at the time of admission if a department has awarded any financial assistance. For other sources of financial aid, students should apply to the Office of Financial Aid, SMU, PO Box 750196, Dallas TX 75275-0196. All applicants will be considered for Texas Tuition Equalization Grant eligibility. Additional information is found in the Financial Information section of this catalog.

## **Residence Hall Directorships**

A limited number of residence hall directorships are offered to men and women graduate students. These positions offer room and board in a residence hall plus a monthly stipend. Students who have been admitted to the graduate school may request applications from the Office of Residence Life, Southern Methodist University, PO Box 750452, Dallas TX 75275-0452.

## **Scholarships**

Scholarships are available for students whose scholastic attainments are outstanding. Holders of scholarships must maintain a grade average of *B*.

## **Graduate Assistantships**

Graduate assistantships for teaching and research are available in the Lyle School of Engineering. These carry monthly pay and tuition benefits. The school also has a limited number of instructorships. Applications for these appointments should be submitted before March 1 to the individual department of interest.

# Master of Science and Master of Arts Degrees

## Admission to the Master's Program

Admission to the Graduate Division of the Lyle School of Engineering is a prerequisite to postbaccalaureate registration for any graduate course or to any program of graduate study. A student wishing to study for a master's degree may be admitted on either a regular or a conditional basis.

### Regular Admission

After submission of a complete application, an applicant is evaluated for regular admission. Typically, the following requirements must be satisfied for regular admission:

- Completion of a bachelor's degree from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree from a college or university of recognized standing. Each program has additional information on appropriate academic backgrounds required for admission into that program.
- A minimum GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies.
- Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of the appropriate application fee.

A score of 151 or higher (revised scale) on the quantitative portion of the GRE graduate school admission test score for the following programs:

Electrical Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering

A score at the 90th percentile or higher on the quantitative portion of the GRE graduate school admission test for the following programs:

Computer Engineering  
Computer Science

Other Ph.D. and DE programs may have specific GRE requirements. Please see those program descriptions for specific admission requirements.

Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit three letters of recommendation and a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency test score before being considered for admission, as follows:

- 550 – paper-based examination.
- 213 – computer-based examination.
- 80 – Internet-based examination overall score

A score of 6.5 on the IELTS English language proficiency examination is acceptable in place of the above scores for the TOEFL examination.

## Conditional Admission

An applicant may be offered admission to the Graduate Division on a conditional basis to ascertain his or her ability to successfully pursue graduate work. The necessity for such a conditional admission may arise when a student's undergraduate program, however high in quality, does not provide a completely adequate base on which to build the particular graduate program desired by the student. This may be due to a variety of reasons, of which the following are a few examples:

1. The undergraduate program may have been taken so many years ago that it differs from what is offered today.
2. The undergraduate degree may have been completed in a field other than that in which the master's degree is sought.
3. Despite strong evidence that the student possesses both the necessary qualities and the motivation to succeed in graduate study, his or her undergraduate record may have been undistinguished.
4. The student has not been awarded a bachelor's degree because he or she is currently enrolled in the final academic term.

A student who is admitted on a conditional basis may be required to take up to 12 credit hours of coursework beyond the minimum 30 credit hours required for the master's degree. Although a necessary part of the student's plan of study, such extra courses are admission requirements and cannot be counted in determining progress toward satisfaction of the minimum requirements for the master's degree. Because they provide a connecting path between the student's previous work and the graduate coursework, these extra courses are termed *articulation courses*. When the articulation coursework has been completed with an average grade of B (3.000 GPA) or better, the student's admission classification is changed from conditional to regular.

## Degree Requirements

The minimum credit hour requirement for the master's degree in the Lyle School of Engineering is 30 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate, of which six credit hours may be in a thesis. Additional hours may be required depending on the student's background, objectives of the degree program and the demands of the discipline.

Any student whose articulation into engineering or whose objective will require more than 12 credit hours of articulation courses will be denied admission to the Graduate Division. Such students should enroll in additional undergraduate courses until these deficiencies are removed. The major department should be consulted for counseling information.

All Lyle School of Engineering coursework satisfying degree requirements must be in graduate courses numbered 7000 and above.

All work for the master's degree must be completed no later than seven years after matriculation.

Students must complete any required articulation courses with a minimum GPA of 3.000.

Admission to candidacy is automatically achieved when the student has obtained 12 credit hours with a minimum 3.000 GPA and that student has filed a degree plan. A student who fails to achieve this standard of performance may be required to take additional courses to satisfy the requirements of his or her degree plan and to bring his or her GPA to 3.000 or better or may be asked to discontinue graduate study.

All work attempted for the master's degree must be completed with an overall GPA of 3.000 or better. A grade of *D* obtained by a student will be figured into his or her overall GPA, but cannot be applied to his or her degree plan. Specific curricular requirements for Lyle master's degrees are detailed in departmental sections of this catalog.

## **Study Loads**

The Graduate Division faculty expects its students to fully meet the rigorous demands of its program. For many students, this will mean a weekly time investment averaging at least four hours for each credit hour of graduate registration. This figure derives from experience that shows that each hour of class work generates three hours of homework. Each student should bear this in mind in working out a schedule of studies.

Students desiring special counseling concerning an appropriate study load should consult their faculty adviser or the director of the Graduate Division.

All international students are required to be full-time students, taking nine to 12 credit hours for each fall and spring term.

Part-time students are allowed to register for a maximum of six credit hours. Students are considered part-time if they hold a full-time job. Students who have a grade of Incomplete can register for a maximum of three credit hours until the incomplete grade is removed.

## **Articulation Course Requirements**

A recent engineering graduate with an undergraduate GPA of approximately 3.000 or better and pursuing a master's program in the bachelor's degree field will have few, if any, problems articulating into the master's program.

Engineering graduate students have a wide range of preparatory education, industrial experience, age and academic objectives. It is often difficult to articulate these highly variable factors when determining educational programs in engineering. As a result, a plan of study often includes a series of specific courses that articulate an individual student's previous education and experience into an established educational program.

Students are required to complete these articulation courses, maintaining a minimum 3.000 GPA. The student who fails to achieve this record is automatically dropped from the graduate program, is not eligible to enroll in graduate courses and is denied the right to petition for readmission.

Students who maintain the requisite minimum 3.000 GPA in these courses may advance into the balance of their plan of study. As nearly as possible, these articulation courses should be completed before the courses in the balance of the plan of study are attempted.

## **Major Department Requirement**

The program in the major field usually amounts to at least 18 credit hours and may vary with the discipline. These include basic curriculum core courses, plus electives in the particular area of interest to the student. In some disciplines, a thesis may be required. The courses are drawn from the various offerings of the department of the Lyle School of Engineering, as well as other departments of SMU outside the school. Specific requirements in the individual areas of concentration may be obtained from the appropriate department or the Graduate Division.

## **The Minor Requirement**

Minor work must be in an area other than the major. This is usually associated with six to 12 credit hours of courses. In special cases, this requirement may be modified, but only with the approval of the faculty adviser, the curriculum chair and the associate dean.

## Thesis Requirement

For the purposes of this section, Faculty Adviser (or Academic Adviser) is the person responsible for advising on the coursework to be taken and for setting up a Thesis Committee, if the thesis option is pursued. The Thesis Adviser is the person advising on the thesis research topic. The Thesis Committee Chair is the faculty member chairing the Thesis Committee and responsible for the quality of the thesis.

When a thesis is not required by a department, the student seeking a master's degree has the option of writing a thesis or of taking an equivalent number of credit hours of additional coursework.

The decision to choose the thesis option should be made by the student in consultation with the faculty adviser under the condition that a thesis adviser and a thesis committee chair can be identified and approved by the department chair and the associate dean. In some cases, a student may require a thesis adviser or a thesis committee chair other than the faculty adviser. The associate dean, with the advice of the major department chair, appoints the thesis adviser and the thesis committee chair.

All master's degree candidates who present a thesis in partial fulfillment of their degree requirements must pass a written and/or oral examination, administered by an examining committee recommended by the major department chair and appointed by the associate dean. The oral examination involves, largely, a defense of the thesis, although questions may be asked in areas that relate to the student's program of study. The examination committee should be made up of at least three members chaired by a tenured or tenure track faculty member from the candidate's major department. One of the committee members may be chosen from outside the major area to examine the student's general knowledge.

The thesis format must follow the University guidelines as indicated in the *Guidelines for Preparation of Theses and Dissertations*. After successful completion of the thesis defense, the thesis committee chair must sign the abstract original, and all the faculty members attending the final examination must sign the half-title page of the thesis. After the thesis has been checked and approved by the Lyle School of Engineering examiner, the thesis is uploaded to the SMU/UMI thesis submission website. One extra copy of the abstract signed by the committee chair and one copy of the original half-title page with signatures must be delivered to the office of the director of graduate student experience before the final examination period in a regular term and before examinations in a summer term.

An announcement of all scheduled examinations must be sent to the associate dean. Using the form provided for the purpose, the examining committee shall report in writing to the associate dean no later than one week before the time for conferring the degree whether all work has been completed in a satisfactory manner and whether, on the basis of the final examination, the student is recommended for the desired degree. In no case may this examination be scheduled earlier than six months before the degree is to be conferred.

## Faculty Adviser

The faculty adviser is appointed by the chair, subject to approval by the associate dean. It is the adviser's responsibility to review and eventually approve the student's specific plan of study, and to check on subsequent progress. It is the responsibility of the faculty adviser to secure approval of the plan of study by the Graduate Division and to arrange for the appointment of the thesis committee if there is a thesis.

Once the plan of study is approved, it becomes the curriculum for the student, and deviations are permitted only if the student obtains formal approval for the change from the faculty adviser, department chair and director of graduate studies. All such approved changes are incorporated into the student's plan of study and are placed on file in the office of the director of graduate studies.

## Probation and Suspension

A student with a GPA lower than 3.000 will be placed on probation, and his or her record will be reviewed at the closing of each term. A student on probation for two terms can be placed on suspension only to be readmitted by special approval from the faculty adviser, department chair and associate dean. A student who does not meet his or her suspension conditions in the allotted time stated at the time of acceptance will be permanently suspended.

## Transfer of Credits

Official college transcripts are required for all college-level work attempted, regardless of transferability. Military transcripts are also required for students receiving VA benefits; more information is available at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar) ("Veterans Affairs" link). Students are responsible for making sure a transcript of all transfer work attempted is sent to the University Registrar's Office immediately following completion of the work.

Generally, up to six credit hours of graduate courses may be transferred from an institution approved by the Graduate Division, provided that such courses 1) were completed in the five years prior to matriculation, 2) carried graduate credit, 3) earned grades of *B-* or higher and 4) were not used to meet the requirements of an undergraduate degree.

Grades of courses transferred for credit are neither recorded nor used in computing GPAs. Acceptance of transfer credit requires approval of the student's faculty adviser, department chair and the director of graduate studies.

The request to transfer credit must be made, using the appropriate forms, during the term of matriculation to the Graduate Division. Usually, this is done at the time the detailed plan of study is developed in consultation with the faculty adviser. The plan of study must be filed with the Graduate Division during the term of matriculation. Transfer of credit for courses that are taken at other institutions after matriculation into the Graduate Division in the Lyle School of Engineering is not normally permitted. Any deviations must be approved in writing by the adviser, department chair and the associate dean prior to such action and will be granted only under extenuating circumstances, as determined by each department.

## Fast Second Master's Degree

Students who are currently enrolled in an SMU Lyle graduate program and who are seeking a new master's degree from SMU Lyle must take a minimum of 18 credit hours of Lyle graduate coursework for the new SMU Lyle master's degree, and these hours will not be applied toward another SMU graduate degree. In such cases, the master's degree will not be awarded until a minimum of 30 credit hours of graduate coursework has been completed at SMU.

Students who hold an SMU graduate degree and who are seeking a new master's degree from SMU Lyle must take a minimum of 18 credit hours of graduate coursework for the new master's degree, and these hours must not have been applied toward another SMU graduate degree.

## The 4+1 Master's Degree Program

The 4 + 1 Program permits undergraduate Lyle Engineering students to take some graduate courses while an undergraduate, which will count both toward B.A./B.S. and M.A./M.S. degrees. Up to nine (9) semester credit hours of graduate course work may be permitted to be taken as an undergraduate and be applied toward fulfilling the undergraduate degree requirements. In such cases, students may fulfill both Bachelor's and Master's degree requirements in as few as 21 semester credit hours beyond the B.A./B.S. coursework.

Furthermore, because the graduate work is spread over two or more academic years, students have a greater selection of courses in both their undergraduate and graduate studies and are able to complete a thesis, should they so desire. The student must work closely with his or her academic adviser to ensure that the requirements of the 4+1 Program, the B.A./B.S. degree, and the M.A./M.S. degree all are met.

## Requirements

For students admitted to the 4+1 Program, up to nine (9) semester credit hours of graduate courses (7000-level and above) may be applied toward fulfilling the student's undergraduate program requirements. The student must complete a minimum of 21 semester credit hours of graduate course work at SMU beyond the undergraduate residency requirement to satisfy the graduate residency requirement. In addition, the 4+1 student is permitted to take additional graduate courses while an undergraduate, up to their eighth semester, that can be marked for graduate credit only. No graduate course work for graduate-only credit will be permitted after the eighth semester, although the students will be permitted to take dual-credit graduate courses (up to 9 hours) even beyond the eighth semester. Furthermore, the student must take at least one of the courses for the graduate degree while holding graduate status, i.e., after the student graduates with the undergraduate degree.

NOTE: Undergraduate students may take graduate courses only after they have reached senior status (90 or more earned credit hours).

## Admission Requirements

For admission to the 4+1 program, the student must:

1. Be enrolled in an undergraduate program in the Lyle School of Engineering;
2. Have achieved junior-level status;
3. Apply no later than the semester before they finish their undergraduate studies;
4. Have an overall GPA of 3.000 or higher;
5. Upon request, provide three letters of recommendation, one from the student's academic adviser and two from other faculty members in the School of Engineering; and
6. Be accepted into the desired M.A./M.S. program

## Bachelor's Degree Requirements

All undergraduate degree requirements must be satisfied, with up to 9 semester credit hours of graduate course work (7000 and above) applying toward the satisfaction of those requirements. It is important to note that the graduate courses must be taken at the 7000 level from the beginning, as no conversion from 5000 to 7000 will be permitted after the add/drop deadline in the semester the course is taken. The undergraduate adviser should be consulted on the appropriateness of the 7000 dual-counting courses for the undergraduate degree.

## Master's Degree Requirements

To receive a master's degree under the 4+1 Program, the student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 in the M.S. degree course work (including the graduate course work applied towards the undergraduate degree requirements), and satisfy all requirements for the master's degree. The master's degree requirements will be completed after the semester the student graduates with the bachelor's degree. The designated graduate adviser should be consulted when registering for any graduate courses, to make sure that these courses satisfy requirements of the master's degree pursued.

# Graduate Cooperative Education Program

Linda Parker, **Director**

The graduate co-op program is an academic enrichment opportunity designed to give students the ability to apply their academic studies to real-world problems. Qualified students may apply to join this program and are eligible to enroll up to two terms of relevant professional work experience. The work experience must be related to the student's major area of study and is subject to these regulations:

1. Students are eligible to apply for graduate co-op only *after* completion of both a fall term and a spring term.
2. Students must be in good academic standing to be admitted to the co-op program with a minimum GPA of 3.000.
3. Students must secure their own co-op position.
4. Co-op positions must be full-time, and subsequent co-op positions must be with eligible employers.
5. Students may not quit co-op assignments in midterm to seek a position with a different employer.
6. All paperwork must be completed prior to the deadline:
  - a. SMU graduate co-op application (requires adviser, department chair and director's approval).
  - b. Legal agreement between SMU and employer (requires supervisor, Lyle dean and SMU provost approval).
  - c. Curricular practical training request form for international students. (CPT form requires adviser, department chair and director's approval.)
  - d. Offer letter from employer stating beginning and ending dates, salary per hour and job description on company letterhead and signed by supervisor. The letter must also indicate that the position is full-time (40 hours per week).
  - e. Application deadline: All co-op paperwork for the work term is due by the deadline set each term by the graduate co-op director, and the deadline is approximately eight business days before the start of the term. **Note:** The process to obtain an I-20 Certificate of Eligibility from English for Internationals takes five business days after the co-op paperwork has been completed.
7. The duration of the co-op work term must coincide with the SMU academic term.
8. Students must be enrolled in graduate co-op course ENGR 8199 while on co-op work assignments.
9. Students may take no more than three credit hours (one course) during a co-op work term, and only if the course is needed to graduate on time. The course may be taken on campus or by distance learning.
10. Students must complete a minimum of two, but no more than three, co-op work terms.
11. Students may complete only spring/summer or summer/fall back-to-back work terms. (Fall/spring and spring/fall back-to-back work terms are not allowed.)
12. Students must submit a report at the end of each work term, signed by the student's supervisor, academic adviser and department chair, no later than two weeks after the end of the co-op work term.
13. Students must read and become familiar with the graduate engineering co-op policy.

## Nondegree Study

Nondegree studies are subject to the following:

1. A baccalaureate degree is required for admission.
2. Admission to nondegree study requires the consent of the program director who oversees the course(s) taken by the student.
3. Students who apply to the Lyle School of Engineering graduate programs after the deadline for admission may be offered the nondegree option to begin their studies.
4. Students applying for nondegree study must submit an application, an application fee of \$75 and an official transcript from the institution that conferred the student's baccalaureate degree.
5. Students may not take more than three courses on a nondegree status.



6. Students on a nondegree study plan may apply to study toward a graduate degree. All requirements for admission must be met. After a student is admitted, he or she may petition to transfer the nondegree courses subject to approval of the adviser, department chair and associate dean.

Tuition for nondegree students is the same as tuition for students who take the course toward a degree.

## Off-Campus Distance Education

SMU, through its Lyle School of Engineering (Lyle), has supported distance education graduate programs for nearly 50 years. The Lyle Distance Education (DE) program is designed to provide qualified students a rewarding graduate education that fits their busy lifestyles. DE instruction has proven to be an effective education medium with advantages such as access to digital library resources and the ability to replay the lectures as many times as needed.

Lyle graduate course lectures are recorded "live" in one of the school's state-of-the-art studio classrooms. Our classroom recordings include the lecture and all dialogue in the class between the students and the professor. The recorded lectures are then posted to a Lyle server within 24 hours of the on-campus course. Subsequently, DE students download the lecture to their computer and watch it on-demand. Course handouts, syllabi and assignments are distributed by the department or via Canvas, SMU's learning management system. Graded coursework is returned as directed by the professor. DE students are encouraged to contact the instructor by email or telephone to ask questions and clarify points from the lecture. DE students are required to identify a proctor for all exams. Proctors are verified and vetted in accordance with SMU's academic standards and are required to agree and abide by the SMU Honor Code.

Lyle offers DE students the opportunity to complete master's degrees in professional and traditional engineering disciplines. Each of the programs is interdisciplinary in content and flexible in approach. The programs available via distance education are as follows:

Civil Engineering

Mechanical Engineering

Computer Engineering

Operations Research

Computer Science

Security Engineering

Datacenter Systems Engineering

Software Engineering

Electrical Engineering

Sustainability and Development

Engineering Management

Systems Engineering

Environmental Engineering

Telecommunications and Network Engineering

Manufacturing Systems Management

**Note:** Students should see specific program sections for the admission and curricular requirements for each program.

More information regarding Lyle off-campus distance education graduate programs can be obtained by visiting <https://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Graduate/ProspectiveStudents/Lyle-Distance-Education-Program>.

# Doctor of Engineering Degrees

The objective of a Doctor of Engineering degree is to provide students with adequate preparation to meet doctoral standards in an applied science or engineering practice. Applied science, as a focus for a doctoral degree, refers to the study of advanced theory and its application to a practical problem in order to test and verify performance and limitations. A doctorate with focus on applied science requires a high level of expertise in the theoretical aspects of the relevant scientific principles and experience with the details of the implementation of this theory on realistic problems. Engineering practice, as a focus for a D.E. degree, is the study of the different aspects that play a role in the transfer of technology from its inception in research to the intended engineering environment. This requires a high level of expertise in 1) theoretical aspects of the relevant scientific principles, 2) solving the problems and understanding the details of the transfer and application of the technology and 3) economic issues.

A D.E. degree is distinguished from a Ph.D. degree in that a Ph.D. is expected to make a significant advance to scientific knowledge, whereas a D.E. is expected to make a contribution to science by studying its implementation and participating in the transformation of knowledge into technology. Currently, D.E. degrees are offered with majors in engineering management and software engineering.

Specific degree requirements for the D.E. with a major in software engineering are found in the Computer Science and Engineering Department section of this catalog. Specific degree requirements for the D.E. with a major in engineering management are found in the Engineering Management, Information and Systems Department section of this catalog.

## Sequence of Events

The following events must occur in the process of obtaining a Doctor of Engineering degree. Some events may occur concurrently.

1. Acceptance into the program and assignment of an academic adviser.
2. Preparation of a formal degree plan (form labeled "Degree Plan – Doctor of Engineering") and creation of the supervisory committee ("Recommendation and Certification of Supervisory Committee").
3. Basic coursework and preliminary counseling examination (if required by the student's department).
4. Written qualifying examination.
5. Submission of written proposal for praxis project.
6. Oral qualifying examination and proposal presentation.
7. Admission to candidacy (form labeled "Admission to Candidacy").
8. Preparation of praxis.
9. Review of praxis by project supervisor and chair of committee.
10. Presentation and defense of praxis to the committee (form labeled "Report on Thesis or Dissertation and/or Final Examination").

## Admissions Criteria

Persons with a B.S., or equivalent baccalaureate degree, and a master's degree may qualify for admission. The undergraduate degree must be in a technical or applied science area. This includes all engineering degrees as well as degrees in mathematics and applied sciences. The master's degree may be in a technical area or other areas such as business administration or economics. The degrees must be from U.S. colleges or universities accredited by regional accrediting associations, or be international degrees equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's and/or master's degrees from colleges and universities of recognized standing. Each program has additional information on appropriate academic backgrounds required for admission into that program.

## **Initial Advising**

Upon acceptance into a D.E. program, the student is assigned an academic adviser. This adviser is a resident tenured or tenure-track faculty member in the student's home department. The selection of the adviser is an administrative decision that may not necessarily be connected to the student's academic interests. At the outset, the student should identify whether the focus of the doctorate will be in applied science or in engineering practice. The adviser and the student will prepare a formal degree plan based on the student's academic background and declared interests and objectives. This plan of study should present clearly how past and proposed coursework will satisfy the requirements for the degree. It should also provide a term-by-term schedule for taking courses consistent with current course offering projections.

## **Total Academic Credit**

The total credit hour requirement is 78–66 credit hours of graduate coursework and 12 credit hours devoted to the praxis project. Postbaccalaureate coursework from other institutions and other graduate degrees may be applied toward the degree requisites subject to approval of the supervisory committee. There must be a minimum of 36 credit hours of graduate coursework and a minimum of 12 credit hours of praxis project work, none of which have been nor can be applied to any other degree.

## **Residence Requirement**

The term *residence requirement* refers to the minimum number of required academic credit hours a student must complete while properly enrolled at SMU. At least 18 of the 66 credit hours of coursework as well as the 12 credit hours devoted to the praxis must be taken in residence at SMU.

## **Recognition of Previous Postbaccalaureate Coursework**

Graduate-level courses may be used to fulfill the course requirements for the degree. Any course assigned to a specific requirement must be approved by the supervisory committee.

## **Preliminary Counseling Examination**

The preliminary counseling examination is designed to establish the academic strengths and weaknesses of the student. If required by the department, the individual department determines the format of the preliminary counseling examination. Depending on the results of the preliminary counseling examination, one of the following three actions is taken: 1) the student is allowed to take advanced courses for the degree, 2) the student is disallowed from further study at SMU or 3) remedial action in areas of academic weakness is recommended.

## **The Qualifying Examination**

The qualifying examination marks the transition from preparation to execution of the doctoral research. Upon its successful completion, and the presentation of a research plan, the student is certified to proceed with the research directly related to the praxis. Beyond this point, the student is formally recognized as a doctoral candidate. Transition into candidacy occurs after the following three requirements are satisfied.

## **The Written Qualifying Examination**

The written portion of the qualifying examination is composed of several tests. Members of the supervisory committee administer the tests. The supervisory committee has full discretion as to the choice of material and the format and style of the written exam. Usually, the tests are designed to measure knowledge in an area of expertise of an individual supervisory committee member or on a topic from a course taught by that member. Tests are commonly take-home exams over the course of a week or more. It is the responsibility of the student to inquire as to the nature and format of the tests and the availability of the supervisory committee members when scheduling the exam. When the student is ready to proceed with the written portion of the qualifying examination, and when all participating examiners have been consulted and have agreed on a schedule, the academic adviser issues a memorandum to all members of the supervisory committee formalizing the schedule for this portion of the exam.

## **The Written Research Proposal**

A formal document describing in detail the proposed research project that constitutes the praxis must be submitted to the supervisory committee in time to be read prior to the oral presentation. This document outlines the responsibilities of the supervisory committee as well as presents a realistic plan and time schedule for the completion of the praxis.

## **The Oral Qualifying Examination and Proposal Presentation**

The oral qualifying examination and the oral presentation of the research project proposal may be presented following the successful completion of the written examination and when the members of the supervisory committee have had time to review the written research proposal. The oral qualifying examination is a continuation of the written qualifying examination. At this time, the supervisory committee may proceed with an oral examination of the student. After this, the student presents the proposed praxis project. The student must be prepared to defend the proposal to the supervisory committee.

## **The Doctorate Praxis Project**

### **Composition of the Supervisory Committee**

The purpose of the supervisory committee is to supervise the student's praxis project. The supervisory committee is made up of at least five members. At least four members of the committee must be resident tenured or tenure-track faculty members at SMU, three of whom must be members of the student's home department. The chair of the committee must be a member of the resident tenured or tenure-track faculty of the Lyle School and a member of the student's home department; however, a different committee member may act as the praxis director. Other members of the supervisory committee may come from related areas such as engineering, business or economics. One committee member can be from outside the Lyle School of Engineering. The supervisory committee must be approved by the chair of the department and the associate dean, who is an ex officio member of the supervisory committee. The supervisory committee may be modified as the student progresses in the program. The supervisory committee may add members to include faculty members from other areas of specialization or cognizant members from industry who may contribute to the praxis.

### **The Project and Final Defense**

As a culmination of a doctoral program, the student must perform a suitable engineering praxis (practical engineering study), including both a written report and an oral presentation of the results. The scope of the praxis may be broad or narrow and may involve engineering design, development or any other major category of engineering work, typically

revolving around a well-defined project relevant to current engineering practice. Good scholarship, including recognition of both previous and current work in the subject area, is required. The praxis may be conducted on campus or at an industrial location. The proposal will 1) outline the general technical scope of the project, 2) state the economic and technical relevance of the work and 3) give a time schedule for accomplishing the project. It is expected that this proposal will be worked out in close consultation with the faculty member supervising the work and cognizant industry people when the project is to be conducted off campus. Once the project is set into motion, the student is expected to adhere to the time schedule and to keep the supervisory committee informed on a regular basis of progress made. The project may focus on a well-defined practical problem or on a more general theoretical development. If the focus is a practical problem, economic considerations must also be incorporated in the praxis. If the focus is more general, the supervisory committee will determine whether or not economic aspects will be required.

## The Praxis Report

The praxis report is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing. The praxis format must follow the University guidelines as indicated in the Guidelines for Preparation of Theses and Dissertations. Upon successful completion of the praxis defense, the abstract original must be signed by the praxis director, and the original half-title page of the praxis must be signed by all the supervisory committee members attending the final examination. After the praxis has been checked and approved by the Lyle School of Engineering examiner, the praxis is uploaded electronically to the SMU/UMI Dissertation Publishing submission website. One extra copy of the abstract signed by the adviser and one copy of the original half-title page with signatures must be delivered to the director of Graduate Student Experience before the final examination period in a regular term and before examinations in a summer term.

## Doctor of Philosophy Degrees

General requirements for a Ph.D. degree include the following components: 1) total academic credit, 2) residence requirements, 3) course requirements, 4) preliminary counseling examination, 5) qualifying examination, 6) admission to candidacy, 7) dissertation, 8) final examination and 9) supervisory committee. A student admitted to a doctoral program is expected to have been awarded a master's degree in the same or a closely related program or to earn such a master's degree during the course of the program. The following sections define and discuss these general requirements. Specific details about Ph.D. program requirements are found in the departmental sections of this catalog.

## Total Academic Credit

The Lyle School of Engineering requires for a Ph.D. degree a *minimum* academic credit of 54 credit hours earned in coursework beyond the baccalaureate degree or 24 credit hours earned in coursework beyond a master's degree, in addition to 24 credit hours earned in dissertation work. There must be a minimum of 24 credit hours of graduate coursework and a minimum of 24 credit hours of dissertation work, none of which have been nor can be applied to any other degree. The student's supervisory committee determines the precise amount of course credit to be required, subject to the approval of the department chair and the associate dean. A student who is actively working on his or her dissertation must be enrolled in dissertation study each term until completion of all requirements for a Ph.D. degree.

## Resident Requirement

The term *residence requirement* refers to the minimum number of required academic credit hours a student must complete while properly enrolled at SMU. The residence requirement is 30 credit hours of graduate credit, normally the last 30.

## Time Limitations

A Ph.D. degree is given in recognition of the highest attainment in a specific field. It requires novel, high-quality research work recognized and accepted by other scholars in the field. Due to this need for timeliness, all requirements for a Ph.D. degree must be satisfied within five years after the date the qualifying examination is passed. If such period has expired without successful completion of a Ph.D. degree, the associate dean, in consultation with the thesis adviser and the department chair, may ask the student to retake the Ph.D. qualifying examination or may disallow the student from further study.

## Preliminary Counseling Examination

Upon admission of each student into the program, the associate dean, on the recommendation of the department chair, appoints a faculty adviser. The faculty adviser is responsible for providing the student with advice on a proper plan of study on fundamental courses in the discipline to prepare for the preliminary counseling examination, which is designed to establish the academic strengths and weaknesses of the student. If required by the department, the individual department determines the format of the preliminary counseling examination. The background expected for this examination is similar to that of a master's level, and the final examination for the master's degree may substitute for this exam for students who complete master's degrees at SMU. Depending on the results of the preliminary counseling examination, one of the following three actions is taken: 1) the student is allowed to take advanced courses for a Ph.D., 2) the student is disallowed from further study at SMU or 3) remedial action in areas of academic weakness is recommended.

Every student who is admitted to a Ph.D. program must form a supervisory committee with the approval of the dissertation director, the department chair and the associate dean. Because the chair of this committee normally will also be the student's dissertation director, the student should decide upon a general area of the dissertation before requesting the appointment of a supervisory committee. It is essential that the student do this quickly because there are no assurances that graduate work completed before the appointment of the committee will be accepted as part of a Ph.D. program.

## Course Requirements

The minimum academic coursework of 54 credit hours should include a major as well as a minor area of investigation. The individual departments identify specific course requirements for these areas. As a general guideline, at least 12 credit hours are required for the minor, which should be in an area providing breadth as well as support to the major field of investigation.

For a Ph.D. program, qualifying examinations and the dissertation are paramount. Course requirements are identified to facilitate the student's training toward the qualifying examination. Of the 24 credit hours required in coursework beyond a master's degree, 12 credit hours must be taken at SMU. Generally, up to 12 credit hours of graduate courses may be transferred into a Ph.D. program from an institution approved by the Graduate Division, provided that such courses 1) were completed in the five years prior to matriculation, 2) were taken toward a Ph.D. degree and 3) received grades of *B-* or higher. The request to transfer credit must be made using appropriate forms during the term of matriculation to the Graduate Division. Grades of courses transferred for credit are neither recorded nor used in computing GPAs. Acceptance of transfer credit requires approval of the student's faculty adviser, department chair and the associate dean. Transfer of any credit for courses taken at other institutions after admission to SMU is not normally permitted.

# Qualifying Examination Process

These examinations must be taken after the student has completed some of the advanced coursework in the major and minor fields of investigation.

Each department within the Lyle School of Engineering specifies the formats, schedules and areas for the qualifying examinations. The student should contact his or her department for these requirements.

This examination process is comprehensive in scope, covering the student's entire academic career, and includes the major and minor areas planned for the Ph.D. degree. It is conducted by the supervisory committee with the aid of faculty members drawn from the major and minor areas of concentration, and it consists of both written and oral parts. As part of the oral examination, the student will be required to discuss the proposed dissertation topic. This is desirable because a student's program of study should be supportive of his or her intended dissertation research. Successful performance on the examination results in a recommendation that the student be admitted to candidacy for a Ph.D. degree. The committee may believe that, while a student passed the major parts of the examination, his or her performance disclosed weaknesses requiring further coursework. The committee may then modify the student's plan of study to include specific additional courses before he or she may be recommended for admission to candidacy.

Should the student fail the examination process, the supervisory committee may recommend a re-examination, subject to approval by the department chair and the associate dean. The right of re-examination is not automatic; rather, it is a special privilege recommended in those cases in which the supervisory committee believes a student has the necessary potential but needs some additional preparation.

## Admission to Candidacy

A graduate student does not become a candidate for a Ph.D. degree until the formal application for candidacy has been approved. Such admission requires the approval of the student's supervisory committee, the department chair and the associate dean. The approval is based upon 1) passing the qualifying examination, 2) the academic record of the student as attested by a 3.000 GPA or better (4.000 = A), 3) selection of a tentative title for the dissertation and 4) the student's overall fitness as judged by the supervisory committee. The formal application for candidacy should be submitted as soon as these four requirements have been met, as judged by the supervisory committee.

## Dissertation Requirement

The dissertation format must follow the *Guidelines for Preparation of Theses and Dissertations*. Each student is also expected to submit articles for publication in reputable journals and conferences appropriate to the field of research.

The most clearly distinguishing characteristic of a program leading to a Ph.D. degree is the requirement that the candidate write a dissertation embodying the results of a significant and original investigation. The dissertation is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing and must make a significant and novel contribution to the engineering or applied science discipline. The work it reports may be basic scientific research, engineering research or creative design. The progress of the student toward a Ph.D. degree is monitored closely by the thesis adviser and the supervisory committee, with an annual report to the department chair. In the event a student is judged by the supervisory committee not to be making satisfactory progress, he or she will be placed on probation for one term, at the conclusion of which his or her progress will be reevaluated. Should the progress be found unsatisfactory, the student will be suspended.

Upon successful completion of the dissertation defense, the dissertation director must sign the abstract original, and all faculty members attending the final examination must sign the original half-title page of the dissertation. After the dissertation has been checked and approved by the Lyle School of Engineering examiner, the dissertation is uploaded electronically to the SMU/UMI Dissertation Publishing submission website. One extra copy of the abstract signed by the

adviser and one copy of the original half-title page with signatures must be delivered to the director of Graduate Student Experience before the final examination period in a regular term and before examinations in a summer term.

## **Dissertation Research in Industrial Laboratories**

Under special circumstances, some students may be permitted to undertake their dissertation in industrial laboratories in the Dallas-Fort Worth area or elsewhere. This situation may arise when the research requires special laboratory facilities that are not available at SMU but that are available elsewhere. Such an operation creates special problems for both the University and the company, particularly when the dissertation research is also the student's work assignment as an employee of the company. From the viewpoint of the school, the principal requirement is that the particular research on which the dissertation is to be based be undeniably the individual work of the student. The second requirement on which the school must stand is that the dissertation results be available for free dissemination via open publication, whatever those results may be.

To minimize difficulties arising out of these requirements, the Lyle School of Engineering has adopted the following regulations:

1. The chair of the student's supervisory committee must be a member of the resident tenured or tenure-track faculty of the school.
2. The student may register for dissertation-research credit only after appointment of a dissertation director by the department chair, subject to the approval of the associate dean.
3. The supervisory committee must approve the specific character of the work to be conducted, the conditions under which it is conducted and the time schedule for completion. It is expected that the supervisory committee shall have access to the student's experimental apparatus, and the chair of that committee shall join with the dissertation director in meeting at intervals with the student at the scene of the research to evaluate the process and the conditions under which the research is carried out.
4. The dissertation director has the responsibility to ensure that the student's work is identifiably the student's own and that needed equipment belonging to SMU will not be diverted from the dissertation research by the company except in cases of extreme need.

## **Supervisory Committee**

The membership of the supervisory committee is selected by the student in consultation with the dissertation director. After the student has obtained the written consent of those selected, he or she must obtain the written endorsement of the department chair before transmitting the list to the associate dean for official certification. The supervisory committee is made up of at least five members. Three resident tenured or tenure-track faculty members are drawn from the student's department, as well as one resident tenured or tenure-track faculty member from each minor field. The chair of the supervisory committee shall be a resident tenured or tenure-track member of the school faculty and shall normally be the dissertation director and a member of the student's department. Thus, a minimum of four members must be resident tenured or tenure-track faculty of Southern Methodist University. The supervisory committee should be constituted as early as possible after the student has begun doctoral work and normally before the completion of 15 credit hours of work beyond the master's degree (or 45 credit hours of work beyond the baccalaureate degree). The associate dean is an ex officio member of all supervisory committees and should be notified in writing, at least one week in advance, of all meetings of such committees. The associate dean may, at his or her own discretion, reconstitute any supervisory committee.

The duties of a supervisory committee shall be

1. To assist the student in interpreting all regulations governing the degree sought. This duty does not absolve the student from the sole responsibility to remain informed concerning these regulations.
2. To meet immediately after its appointment for the purpose of passing on the qualifications of the student, to discuss and approve a plan of study, and to set a tentative time schedule for the qualifying examination.



3. To discuss and approve the dissertation project proposed by the student and the plans for implementing it.
4. To participate in the qualifying examination.
5. To convene whenever needed during dissertation research to review procedure, progress and expected results, and to develop suggestions for the remainder of the work. The supervisory committee may be convened by either the chair of the supervisory committee or the associate dean of graduate studies. The supervisory committee may suggest discontinuation of the student if sufficient progress toward a Ph.D. degree has not been achieved.
6. To conduct the final examination.

## **Final Examination**

Upon completion of all other requirements, a final examination of the candidate will be announced, registered with the Graduate Division and subsequently conducted by the supervisory committee. The candidate must make six unbound copies of the complete draft version of his or her dissertation available to the Graduate Division for distribution to the members of the supervisory committee at least three weeks prior to scheduling of the final examination. This examination, which is conducted orally, must enable the committee to satisfy itself that the dissertation is an original piece of work, either in research or creative design; that it has been carried out in keeping with the highest standards of investigation and reporting; and that it makes a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the engineering profession or scientific community. Satisfactory performance on this examination is the last requirement to be met for a Ph.D. degree. The degree may be awarded at the end of the term in which the final examination is passed, but the prospective candidate should note that at least one academic year must elapse between the passing of the qualifying examination and the conferring of the degree.

## **Multidisciplinary Studies**

A Ph.D. degree in the Lyle School of Engineering may be pursued in areas that do not belong strictly to any one department but nevertheless are of interest to some faculty members of the school. In such cases, the composition of the supervisory committee will be made flexible in order to allow for the interdisciplinary nature of the program, with the single restriction that at least three of the five members of the supervisory committee are tenured or tenure-track faculty members in the Lyle School of Engineering. Additional information is found in the Multidisciplinary Studies section of this catalog.

# Academic Programs

## Applied Science

### Applied Science, Ph.D.

A Ph.D. degree in the Lyle School of Engineering may be pursued in areas that do not belong strictly to any one department but nevertheless are of interest to some faculty members of the school. In such cases, the composition of the supervisory committee will be made flexible in order to allow for the interdisciplinary nature of the program, with the single restriction that at least three of the five members of the supervisory committee are tenured or tenure-track faculty members in the Lyle School of Engineering. The major area of this degree will be designated as applied science. Admission to and oversight of program is at the discretion of the associate dean for academic affairs of the Lyle School of Engineering, who also serves as department chair.

Applicants to the program must meet all requirements for admission stated in the general admission requirements section for Doctor of Philosophy Degrees section of this catalog. Additionally, all applicants must secure the approval of a tenured track member of the Lyle Engineering faculty to serve as dissertation adviser and dissertation committee chair, submit a tentative supervisory committee form with 5 members at least 4 of which must be tenured track Lyle faculty including the dissertation adviser, and submit a research proposal.

### Applied Science, M.S.

Applicants to the M.S. with a major in applied science must meet all relevant admission requirements set forth in the Master of Science and Master of Arts Degrees section of this catalog. Additionally, all applicants must secure the approval of a tenured track member of the Lyle Engineering faculty to serve as faculty adviser. Thesis track applicants must also submit a tentative supervisory committee form with at least three tenured track Lyle faculty members and submit a research proposal. Admission to and oversight of the program is at the discretion of the associate dean for academic affairs of the Lyle School of Engineering, who also serves as department chair.

# Civil and Environmental Engineering

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## General Information

### Department Facilities

CEE departmental offices and instructional and research laboratories are located in the new, state-of-the-art J. Lindsay Embrey Engineering Building, which is certified as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Gold Building in LEED's internationally recognized green building certification program. Environmental teaching and research laboratories include dedicated space for air quality and meteorology, industrial hygiene, environmental microbiology, soil and water quality, and contaminant modeling.

The air quality and meteorology laboratory includes modern airflow, pressure and volume measurement instrumentation. The industrial hygiene laboratory includes an inventory of the latest personal monitoring equipment for assessing occupational exposure to a variety of industrial process stressors including asbestos, noise, total and respirable dust, metals, radiation, and heat stress. The contaminant-modeling laboratory provides space to conduct experiments for water quality assessment, to develop innovative biological and chemical treatment processes that remove and degrade potentially harmful contaminants, to develop multicomponent reactive transport modeling of contaminants in the groundwater and subsurface environments, and to analyze groundwater flow regimes and fate and transport of contaminants in the subsurface.

The environmental teaching and research laboratories have sophisticated analytical capabilities for performing chemical analyses of air samples and for assessing the quality of water supplies and wastes and the effectiveness of water and waste treatment procedures. Major equipment includes a Thermo Scientific ozone analyzer, a Dynamax absorbance detector, a Hach DR 2500 scanning spectrophotometer for water quality analysis of numerous parameters, a Thermo Scientific inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer, a PerkinElmer Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometer with attenuated total reflectance, a Dionex ion chromatography unit, a Cary bio UV-visible spectrometer with temperature control, and an Agilent gas chromatography and mass spectrometry unit for identifying and measuring numerous organic and inorganic compounds in environmental samples. Other miscellaneous equipment includes continuous ambient air monitoring devices, a UV-visible spectrophotometer, pH and other specific ion meters, incubating ovens, microscopes, furnaces, centrifuges, dissolved oxygen meters, a Mettler titrator for chemical and acid/base surface experiments, several temperature control baths, and a tumbler for constant temperature studies. An autoclave, microscopes and a UV light reader support basic engineering microbiological work.

Civil engineering teaching and research laboratories include dedicated space for mechanics of materials and structural engineering, hydraulics and hydrology, geotechnical engineering and transportation materials, and intelligent transportation systems. The Structural and Mechanics of Materials Laboratory is equipped for instruction and research on the behavior of materials under various loading conditions such as fatigue, impact, hardness, creep, tension, compression, and flexure. This lab is equipped with an Instron 5582 universal materials testing machine, a Tinius-Olsen tension and compression test machine, a Didactec and a Tecquipment torsion test machine, a deflection test machine for simply supported beams, and a cantilever beam bending and deflection test apparatus. Major hydraulics and hydrology laboratory equipment includes a 5-meter open channel

flume with various accessories (e.g., undershot weir, rotary undershot gate, and sharp and broadcrested weirs), a basic hydraulics bench for fundamental fluid mechanics experiments (e.g., hydrostatic pressure forces, Bernoulli's theorem and pipe friction losses), and a hydrology study system for hydrology experiments (e.g., simulating rainfall over watersheds and measuring resulting outflow hydrographs, and groundwater flow profiles). The geotechnical engineering and transportation materials laboratory has a Geocomp soil testing equipment automated set, a Geocomp direct residual shear test system automated set, a pocket penetrometer and the torvane shear device, and liquid and plastic limit devices. Traditional geotechnical testing equipment such as sieve analysis, hydrometer, constant head/falling head permeameter, liquid and plastic limits, compaction, and relative density are also available.

The Embrey Building also houses a dedicated computer-aided design laboratory with AutoCAD software and a general-use computer laboratory with personal computers, high-resolution color monitors and laser printers for use by the department's students. Computers in the CAD and general-use laboratories are connected through a high-speed network to the computer systems of the Lyle School of Engineering and SMU, as well as to off-campus systems via the Internet. The computer network provides access to general applications software and specialized software for engineering problems, including air dispersion modeling, AutoCAD, ArcGIS, hydrologic and hydraulic modeling for water resource systems, statistical analysis and stochastic modeling, structural analysis and design, transportation systems planning and analysis, and water quality modeling.

## Graduate Programs

Graduate programs in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering educate and train leaders in the fields of environmental protection, resource management, engineering design, and construction and facilities management. Programs are tailored to the individual needs and interests of students, so that students with interests in studying global climate change, protecting the quality of drinking water, designing the next generation of high-rise buildings or smart highways, managing commercial buildings, or managing large institutional and industrial facilities receive the training they need to excel in their careers.

Civil and environmental engineering are inextricably linked. While civil engineering focuses on the infrastructure of modern society, environmental engineering is concerned with the well-being and health of people and the environment. Civil and environmental engineering entered the early 1900s as a single integrated discipline, when it was critical to address sanitary problems to protect public health and to develop regional water supplies and the civil infrastructure to support rapid urbanization and early industrialization. Separate disciplines gradually emerged, evolving and broadening to address the overall quality and function of modern society – preserving the environment while enabling the realization of an enriched life through technology.

**Graduate Degrees.** The Civil and Environmental Engineering Department offers the following graduate degrees:

Civil Engineering	M.S.C.E.
Environmental Engineering	M.S.Env.E.
Sustainability and Development	M.A.
Civil and Environmental Engineering	Ph.D.

**Civil Engineering Program.** Civil engineers are engaged in planning, design, construction, maintenance and management of the infrastructure of modern society. They are responsible for the design of water-supply and wastewater treatment systems; transportation systems such as highways, railways, waterways, mass transit, airports, ports and harbors; dams, reservoirs and hydroelectric power plants; thermoelectric power plants; transmission and communication towers; high-rise buildings; and even aircraft and aerospace structures, shuttles and space stations. Every major structure critical to this country and global society depends on the work of civil engineers. The civil engineering program prepares graduates for professional and academic careers through a focus in the following areas: 1) construction management, 2) geomechanics and foundations, 3) structural analysis and design, 4) water and wastewater treatment, 5) surface and groundwater quality management, and 6) transportation planning.

**Environmental Engineering Program.** Today, the environmental field is dynamic and wide-ranging, comprising many different disciplines and professional roles. Environmental engineering and science involve not only traditional water and wastewater

management, but also the management of hazardous and radioactive materials, pollution prevention and waste minimization, innovative hazardous waste treatment and site remediation processes, environmental and occupational health, resource conservation and recovery, sustainable development of natural resources and air quality management, and air pollution control. In addition, modern manufacturing, both domestic and worldwide, is focusing on products fabricated from recycled and natural materials that are both competitive and harmlessly degraded in the environment. The trend toward global manufacturing will grow stronger in the years ahead. Environmental challenges presented by this movement must be overcome if the economic and lifestyle benefits of globalization are to be extended to all people of the world.

SMU's environmental engineering program prepares graduates for professional and academic careers dealing with a broad spectrum of environmental issues: 1) atmospheric systems and air-pollution control, 2) environmental and occupational health, 3) environmental chemistry and biology, 4) environmental systems and process modeling, 5) hazardous and waste materials management, 6) solid-waste management, 7) surface and groundwater quality management, and 8) wastewater management.

**Contact Information.** For more information about graduate programs in civil engineering, environmental engineering and environmental science, students should call 214-768-3894 or visit the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering website at [www.smu.edu/lyle/departments/cee](http://www.smu.edu/lyle/departments/cee). Additional contact and enrollment information is available from the Lyle School of Engineering at 214-768-1817 or [www.smu.edu/Lyle/graduate](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/graduate).

**Distance Learning.** All M.S. and M.A. degrees offered by the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering are available to distance learning students. The distance-learning program is managed by the Lyle School of Engineering and is available to students throughout the United States and many foreign countries. Lectures are available via streaming video on the Internet and, in some cases, DVDs of current lectures are forwarded to students on a regular, weekly basis.

## Civil and Environmental Engineering Ph.D.

# Admission Requirements

Applicants are required to satisfy these requirements:

1. An M.S. degree in civil engineering, environmental engineering or a closely related discipline in engineering or the physical sciences from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a minimum GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale.
3. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies, and payment of appropriate application fee.
4. Official GRE graduate school admission test scores.
5. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
6. Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency score before being considered for admission:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. At least 54 credit hours of coursework beyond the baccalaureate degree.
2. A minor of at least 12 credit hours providing breadth and support to the doctoral program.

3. Twenty-four credit hours of dissertation.
4. Written and oral doctoral qualifying examinations.
5. A written dissertation.
6. Defense of the dissertation.

The major and minor courses comprising a degree plan for a doctoral student will be determined by the student's advisory committee. These plans will vary among students depending on their background and dissertation research topic. Possible Ph.D. program focus areas include geotechnical engineering, structural engineering, transportation systems management, air pollution control and atmospheric science, or water and wastewater engineering.

## **Civil Engineering, M.S.C.E.**

The M.S.C.E. offers three areas of emphasis, geotechnical engineering, structural engineering and transportation systems management, while offering breadth in the areas of environmental engineering and water resources. A minimum of 30 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree is required. For full-time graduate students, six credit hours may involve research and completion of a thesis, with approval from the student's adviser, with an additional 24 credit hours of coursework. The program also has the flexibility to meet the needs of part-time students, already working in industry, who typically take the nonthesis route with 30 credit hours of coursework. All civil engineering graduate courses are offered with evening class times or via distance learning to accommodate the schedule of working professionals.

## **Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirement: a B.S. in civil engineering or a closely related engineering discipline.

### **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy these additional requirements:

1. A total of 30 credit hours, with a minimum graduate GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale. Additional articulation courses may be required for students without a civil engineering undergraduate degree.
2. Given the multidisciplinary nature of civil engineering, the core curriculum and elective courses comprising the degree plans for M.S. students will vary, depending on the student's undergraduate background and his or her desired area of specialization.

The following sample degree plans are for students who have a civil engineering undergraduate degree and want to specialize in structural engineering, geotechnical engineering or transportation systems management:

### **Sample Degree Plan: Geotechnical Engineering**

#### **Required Courses**

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum consisting of five courses (15 credit hours):

- CEE 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics
- CEE 7361 - Matrix Structural Analysis and Introduction to Finite Element Methods
- CEE 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics
- CEE 7385 - Advanced Soil Mechanics
- CEE 7386 - Foundation Engineering

## Elective Courses

Satisfactory completion of five elective courses (15 credit hours) chosen from structural analysis, structural design, geotechnical engineering, transportation systems management, construction management, environmental engineering, and water resources courses:

- CEE 7096 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7196 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7296 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7696 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7362 - Engineering Analysis with Numerical Methods
- CEE 7387 - Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering
- CEE 7388 - Groundwater and Seepage
- CEE 7391 - Special Projects
- CEE 8340 - Theory of Elasticity
- CEE 8364 - Finite Element Methods in Structural and Continuum Mechanics
- CEE 8366 - Basic Concepts of Structural Stability

## Sample Degree Plan: Structural Engineering

### Core Courses

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum consisting of five courses (15 credit hours):

- CEE 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics
- CEE 7361 - Matrix Structural Analysis and Introduction to Finite Element Methods
- CEE 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics
- CEE 7375 - Advanced Concrete Design
- CEE 7377 - Advanced Steel Design

### Elective Courses

Satisfactory completion of five elective courses (15 credit hours) chosen from structural analysis, structural design, geotechnical engineering, transportation systems management, construction management, environmental engineering, and water resources courses:

- CEE 7096 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7196 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7296 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7696 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7362 - Engineering Analysis with Numerical Methods
- CEE 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics
- CEE 7365 - Introduction to Construction Management
- CEE 7373 - Prestressed Concrete
- CEE 7385 - Advanced Soil Mechanics
- CEE 7386 - Foundation Engineering

- CEE 7391 - Special Projects
- CEE 8340 - Theory of Elasticity
- CEE 8364 - Finite Element Methods in Structural and Continuum Mechanics
- CEE 8366 - Basic Concepts of Structural Stability
- CEE 8368 - Theory of Plate Behavior

## Sample Degree Plan: Transportation Systems Management

### Core Courses

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum consisting of five courses (15 credit hours):

- CEE 7323 - Project Management
- CEE 7378 - Transportation Planning and Traffic Engineering
- CEE 7379 - Highways Design and Safety
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models

### Specialization Electives

Satisfactory completion of five specialization electives (15 credit hours) chosen from the following courses:

- CEE 7096 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7196 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7296 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7696 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7324 - Geographical Information Systems and Mapping
- CEE 7331 - Air Pollution Management and Engineering
- CEE 7350 - Introduction to Environmental Management Systems
- CEE 7365 - Introduction to Construction Management
- CEE 7391 - Special Projects
- CEE 8378 - Transportation Demand Analysis
- CEE 8379 - Analysis of Transportation Systems
- CSE 7345 - Advanced Application Programming
  
- CSE 7365 - Introduction to Numerical Analysis  
or
- MATH 5315 - Introduction to Numerical Analysis
  
- CSE 8355 - Graph Theory: Algorithms and Applications
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming
- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming
- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows
- STAT 6336 - Statistical Analysis



## **Environmental Engineering, M.S.Env.E.**

The M.S.Env.E. emphasizes engineering analysis and design of both technological and management-oriented solutions to environmental problems, while broadly addressing the fundamental science and regulatory aspects of the field. A minimum of 30 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree is required. For full-time graduate students, six credit hours may involve research and completion of a thesis, with approval from the student's adviser, with an additional 24 credit hours of coursework. The program also has the flexibility to meet the needs of part-time students, already working in industry, who typically take the nonthesis route requiring 30 credit hours of coursework. All environmental graduate courses are offered in the evening and via distance learning to accommodate the busy schedules of working professionals.

## **Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy these additional requirements:

1. A B.S. in one of the engineering disciplines or in a quantitative science closely related to environmental engineering.
2. A minimum of one year of college-level calculus. An additional half-year of differential equations is desirable.
3. A minimum of one year of college-level chemistry. An additional half-year of organic chemistry is desirable.
4. A solid background in the fundamental engineering sciences, including thermodynamics and fluid mechanics, is desirable.

## **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy these additional requirements: 30 credit hours, with a minimum graduate GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale. Additional articulation courses may be required for students without rigorous engineering undergraduate degrees.

## **Sample Degree Plan**

### **Core Courses**

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum consisting of five courses (15 credit hours):

- CEE 7312 - Risk Assessment and Health Effects
- CEE 7313 - Environmental Chemistry and Biology
- CEE 7322 - Biological Waste Treatment
- CEE 7331 - Air Pollution Management and Engineering
- CEE 7354 - Environmental Engineering Principles and Processes

### **Group I Specialization Electives**

Satisfactory completion of three Group I specialization electives (nine credit hours) chosen from environmental engineering courses and related engineering disciplines, including:

- CEE 7317 - Environmental Organic Chemistry
- CEE 7318 - Bioremediation of Inorganic Contaminants
- CEE 7319 - Soil Chemistry and Mineralogy
- CEE 7320 - Biodegradation of Hazardous Organic Pollutants

- CEE 7324 - Geographical Information Systems and Mapping
- CEE 7332 - Groundwater Hydrology and Contamination
- CEE 7334 - Fate and Transport of Contaminants
- CEE 7335 - Aerosol Mechanics
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- ME 7336 - Intermediate Fluid Dynamics

## Group II Breadth Electives

Satisfactory completion of two Group II breadth electives (six credit hours) chosen from civil engineering, environmental science, environmental systems management, hazardous and waste materials management, and engineering management courses, including:

- CEE 7096 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7196 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7296 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7696 - Master's Thesis
- CEE 7303 - Leadership Innovation Hub
- CEE 7314 - Environmental Regulations and Compliance
- CEE 7323 - Project Management
- CEE 7350 - Introduction to Environmental Management Systems
- CEE 7351 - Introduction to Environmental Toxicology
- CEE 7353 - Environmental Epidemiology
- CEE 7362 - Engineering Analysis with Numerical Methods
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support

## Sustainability and Development, M.A.

The M.A. with a major in sustainability and development offers a graduate-level degree to students looking for advanced education in the growing fields of sustainability and development. The program will produce graduates who will connect and contribute to the local community, deal with problems on the national and international stages, and increase the profile of the Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and Southern Methodist University as a whole. It will also be synergistic with and an important contributor to the success of the new Hunter and Stephanie Hunt Institute for Engineering and Humanity. All graduate courses are offered with evening class times and via distance learning to accommodate the busy schedules of working professionals.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants holding a bachelor's degree from an institution of standard collegiate rank, recognized by the accrediting agencies in whose jurisdiction the college is located, may apply for admission to the M.A. with a major in sustainability and development. Graduates of colleges not fully recognized will be treated as special cases and required to produce evidence attesting to the quality of their programs. Any student whose bachelor's degree is not equivalent to the comparable baccalaureate degree from

SMU may be required to take sufficient additional work to make up the deficiency. All applicants must have an overall grade point average of 3.000 (on a 4.000 scale).

## Degree Requirements

Candidates are required to satisfy these requirements: 30 credit hours, with a minimum graduate GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale. All students must complete 15 credit hours of core requirements to include:

### Core Courses

- CEE 7328 - Introduction to Sustainability
- CEE 7329 - Methods and Technology for Sustainability
- CEE 7330 - Design for Sustainability
- CEE 8326 - Sustainable Development
- CEE 8327 - Policy Impacts on Sustainability

## Concentration Requirements

A depth component of an additional nine credit hours is required in one concentration.

### Environmental Resources

- CEE 7313 - Environmental Chemistry and Biology
- CEE 7331 - Air Pollution Management and Engineering
- CEE 7334 - Fate and Transport of Contaminants
- CEE 7353 - Environmental Epidemiology
- CEE 8328 - Defining the Future of Global Sustainability
- CEE 8329 - Global Resource Use

### Urban Development and Design

- CEE 7363 - Architectural and Structural Engineering
- CEE 7370 - Facility Planning
- CEE 7378 - Transportation Planning and Traffic Engineering
- CEE 7384 - Energy Management for Buildings
- CEE 8325 - The Sustainable Urban Plan
- CEE 8330 - Engineering Sustainability for the Future

## Breadth Requirement

Three credit hours of breadth are required. This requirement will be satisfied by taking one course from another concentration. Students will receive depth in one track while building breadth in the overall field by taking one advanced course in another.

## Capstone

Three credit hours of capstone experience are required. This requirement may be satisfied by either of the following:

- CEE 7391 - Special Projects
- CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis

## Note

Students may enroll in a number of different sections of the special topics course CEE 7391. Different sections will be managed and prepared differently. It is the intent to provide seminar, research and site-based internship/service learning opportunities through the different sections. Students will have the option to choose which experience best matches their career path.

## **Civil Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

## Overview

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business offer a two-year, dual-degree in Master of Science in Engineering (with one of the specific degrees listed above) and Master of Business Administration, with as few as 68 semester credit hours. The program is intended for full-time graduate students with Bachelor degrees in engineering or science. The program is offered on-campus although some of the engineering courses may be taken by means of the Lyle School's distance learning facilities. This program is geared toward recent graduates as well as early-career professionals employed in the engineering and technology sector who desire to broaden and deepen their skills to further their career opportunities and become leaders in technology with the appropriate business and management acumen.

This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA

requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

## Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

### Summer Term (Cox School)

#### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

#### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Fall Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Environmental Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### **Overview**

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business offer a two-year, dual-degree in Master of Science in Engineering (with one of the specific degrees listed above) and Master of Business Administration, with as few as 68 semester credit hours. The program is intended for full-time graduate students with Bachelor degrees in engineering or science. The program is offered on-campus although some of the engineering courses may be taken by means of the Lyle School's distance learning facilities. This program is geared toward recent graduates as well as early-career professionals employed in the

engineering and technology sector who desire to broaden and deepen their skills to further their career opportunities and become leaders in technology with the appropriate business and management acumen.

This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

### Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

#### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

## Summer Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Fall Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours



Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Courses:**

### **CEE 7049 - Master's Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

### **CEE 7090 - CEE Seminar**

*Credits: 0*

Lectures by invited speakers from industry and academia, including SMU faculty and students, dealing with engineering practice and research topics of current interest in environmental and civil engineering. All students, staff, and faculty are invited.

### **CEE 7096 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 0*

### **CEE 7191 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 7192 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 7196 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 1*

### **CEE 7291 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 7292 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 7296 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 2*

## **CEE 7303 - Leadership Innovation Hub**

*Credits: 3*

Leading change in disruptive times using systems-level innovation and data-driven analysis. Experiential and project-based learning about social and environmental justice with community partners. Addressing challenges with curiosity and compassion. Prerequisites: DISC 1312 and DISC 1313, or equivalent, and instructor approval.

## **CEE 7311 - Environmental and Hazardous Waste Laws**

*Credits: 3*

Federal environmental laws, with emphasis on laws dealing with hazardous substances, such as CERCLA and RCRA; regulations and the regulatory framework; definitions and substantive requirements; roles of the states and the federal EPA; compliance and enforcement; and case studies.

## **CEE 7312 - Risk Assessment and Health Effects**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to toxicology as it relates to environmental and health effects of hazardous materials; toxicology methodology; risk management factors including legal aspects; human health and ecological risk assessment and risk communication; emergency response; computer databases.

## **CEE 7313 - Environmental Chemistry and Biology**

*Credits: 3*

Chemical and biochemical processes; controlling fate and transport of hazardous materials with emphasis on chemical equilibria; chemical thermodynamics; acid-base equilibria; precipitation and dissolution; oxidation-reduction processes; environmental transformations of organic materials; introductory taxonomy; microbial growth and kinetics; energy transfer; microbial ecosystems.

## **CEE 7314 - Environmental Regulations and Compliance**

*Credits: 3*

Practical knowledge of federal and state environmental permitting processes and procedures is provided. Regulatory requirements are reviewed with emphasis on the 40 CFR regulations for water, air, and solid hazardous waste. Air, water, stormwater, and waste permits are reviewed, as well as permits-by-rule. Also explored are the consequences of noncompliance with regulations by presenting enforcement options available to government agencies.

## **CEE 7315 - Integrated Waste Management**

*Credits: 3*

Comprehensive introduction to the fundamentals of the complex interdisciplinary field of hazardous waste management; current management practices; treatment and disposal methods; and site remediation. Topics include detailed case studies and design examples to evaluate the effectiveness of different treatment and containment technologies in addressing today's hazardous waste situations.

## **CEE 7317 - Environmental Organic Chemistry**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the fundamental processes that govern transformation of organic chemicals in natural and engineering systems. The course is divided into three parts: organic chemistry overview, physical transformations of organic compounds, and organic chemical reactions in the environment. The organic chemistry overview provides knowledge regarding basic properties of organic compounds such as nomenclature and structures. Physical transformation of organic compounds provides an understanding in processes (such as sorption and volatilization) that control the distribution of organic chemicals between different phases (such as air, water, and soil). Environmentally mediated reactions (such as hydrolysis and photolysis) that control the breakdown of organic chemicals are the focus of chemical reactions.

## **CEE 7318 - Bioremediation of Inorganic Contaminants**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on bioremediation techniques and applications for removing inorganic contaminants (nitrogen, sulfur and phosphorus compounds, iron, heavy metals, metalloids and radionuclides) through the metabolic activities of microorganisms. Explores fundamental chemical and biological processes as well as engineering aspects. Prerequisites: Prior course experience with biochemistry or instructor approval.

## **CEE 7319 - Soil Chemistry and Mineralogy**

*Credits: 3*

Examines soil solution chemistry and reactivity. Covers distribution and significance of common soil minerals, weathering, and general solid phase reactivity. Lab covers mineral structures, techniques of mineral identification, and solution-solid phase partitioning. Prerequisite: CEE 2321 or permission of instructor.

## **CEE 7320 - Biodegradation of Hazardous Organic Pollutants**

*Credits: 3*

Students learn and integrate the basic principles of biochemistry required for understanding the biodegradation of hazardous and toxic organic compounds. Students become familiar with current biological remediation techniques and molecular microbiology and solve problems often encountered in application of bioremediation. Prerequisite: Prior course experience with biochemistry.

## **CEE 7321 - Physical and Chemical Waste Treatment**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces waste minimization techniques and objectives, and thoroughly reviews chemical equilibrium and chemical reaction kinetics. Design and analysis equations and procedures are rigorously derived for chemical reactors and physical unit operations. The treatment objectives examined include 1) solids-liquid separation accomplished by coagulation and flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, flotation, and solids handling processes; 2) immiscible liquid separation brought about by emulsion-breaking chemicals and gravity and flotation oil/water separators; 3) phase and species transformations through pH neutralization, chemical precipitation, chemical oxidation/reduction, air stripping, and solidification/stabilization; and 4) solute

separation and concentration achieved with activated carbon absorption, synthetic ion exchange resins, and membrane separation techniques.

## **CEE 7322 - Biological Waste Treatment**

*Credits: 3*

Biological treatment topics include an overview of microbiology and microbial metabolism; kinetics of biological growth; aerobic suspended growth processes including the various modifications of the activated sludge process, aerated lagoons, and sequencing batch reactors; aerobic attached growth processes including trickling filters, biofilter towers, and rotating biological contactors; anaerobic processes including sludge digestion and liquid waste treatment with the anaerobic contact process and anaerobic filters; biosolids handling and disposal; composting; land treatment; in situ biotreatment and biotreatment of contaminated soils.

## **CEE 7323 - Project Management**

*Credits: 3*

Role of project officer; systems and techniques for planning, scheduling, monitoring, reporting, and completing environmental projects; total quality management; project team management, development of winning proposals; contract management and logistics; case study application of project management to all environmental media and programs; community relations, risk communication, crisis management, consensus building, media, and public policy.

## **CEE 7324 - Geographical Information Systems and Mapping**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces modern GIS software and tools, including map design, geodatabases, geospatial and attribute data, geocoding, and simple spatial analysis. Students use research-based projects to explore GIS as a tool for innovative spatial thinking and as a catalyst for sustainable strategies.

## **CEE 7325 - Disaster Management**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces basic concepts in disaster management. Drawing on a range of sources, from the textbook to the U.S. National Response Plan to research papers, the course covers the fundamentals of preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery. An all-hazards approach is taken, providing analysis of natural, technological, and man-made disasters. Also introduces key methods in the field, including simulation modeling, consequence analysis tools, design criteria, statistical and case study methods (lessons learned), and risk analysis.

## **CEE 7326 - Sustainable Transportation**

*Credits: 3*

Covers planning and operations management of sustainable transportation systems with a focus on energy efficiency. Provides an integrated overview of main concepts and issues related to developing sustainable transportation systems for urban areas, freight transportation, and aviation. Also, advanced topics related to vehicle technologies, alternative energy, and smart cities. Presents findings from national and international case studies.

## **CEE 7327 - Optimization and Reliability for Infrastructure and Environmental Systems**

*Credits: 3*

This course introduces the concepts of engineering systems optimization, reliability and risk assessment, and applies them to civil and environmental engineering systems. Topics include an introduction to engineering systems definition, classical methods of optimization, linear programming, integer programming, dynamic programming, nonlinear optimization, and reliability and risk

concepts in engineering planning and design. Engineering applications will include transportation networks, fleet assignment, supply chain management, environmental engineering systems, fluid transport and water reservoir operation and structural engineering systems. Advance topics will include an introduction to chance-constrained optimization and basic decomposition approaches and their application to real-world problems.

### **CEE 7328 - Introduction to Sustainability**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces basic concepts in sustainability. Drawing on a range of sources, including selected books and readings, the course explores the idea of total connectedness of resource use globally, with particular emphasis on the situation in North Texas. Addresses the issues of air quality and energy supply, sustainable construction, water use, transit and other related areas of resource use, and waste generation. Guest lecturers provide a series of multiple viewpoints in areas of specific expertise. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor.

### **CEE 7329 - Methods and Technology for Sustainability**

*Credits: 3*

This course covers technologies and methods used in sustainable design and analysis. Areas covered include the scientific understanding of alternative energy systems, water reuse and supply, and state-of-the-art materials created for sustainability. Also discussed are methods for assessing sustainability, including life cycle assessment and the development of sustainable indicators. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, or permission of instructor.

### **CEE 7330 - Design for Sustainability**

*Credits: 3*

This course introduces the student to the issues involved in creating a sustainable built environment. The course will address issues of resource use at the regional and project specific level. Specific techniques for designing and constructing sustainable buildings will be addressed. Systems of measurement for sustainable properties will be discussed on a comparative level, and the USGBC's LEED system will be specifically addressed. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, or permission of instructor.

### **CEE 7331 - Air Pollution Management and Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the science, engineering, public health, and economic aspects of air quality. Students develop in-depth understanding and broad knowledge of the sources and properties of air pollutants, air quality management, fate and transport of pollutants in the environment, regulations of air quality, and the operation and design of air pollution control systems. Reviews the status of science, policy, and regulations on several selected topics such as urban smog, regional haze, greenhouse gas and global climate change, stratospheric ozone depletion, and mercury emissions and control.

### **CEE 7332 - Groundwater Hydrology and Contamination**

*Credits: 3*

Groundwater hydrology; aquifer and well hydraulics; flow equations and models; implications for landfill design; sources and nature of groundwater contaminants; monitoring and analysis; contaminant fate and transport; transport model for hazardous substances; groundwater pollution control measures; containment and treatment; groundwater quality management.

### **CEE 7333 - Laboratory Methods in Environmental Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Provides students with hands-on, state-of-the-art experience with important experimental methods in environmental systems and with evaluation of the reliability and significance of parameter determinations. Covers instrumental and statistical methods used

for characterization of water, air, and soil quality. Introduces treatability studies, including reactor dynamics. Provides 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory component. Prerequisite: CEE 5313 or two terms of undergraduate chemistry.

### **CEE 7334 - Fate and Transport of Contaminants**

*Credits: 3*

Development and application of fate and transport models for hazardous substances with focus on water-sediment, water-soil, and water-air interfaces; material balance principle; mass transport and transformation processes; modeling of lakes and reservoirs; stream modeling; general flow case; groundwater models; multiphase and integrated modeling approaches; and case studies.

### **CEE 7335 - Aerosol Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Fundamental and advanced principles of airborne particles, including their physical properties, aerodynamic behavior, and their collection, measurement, and analysis. The course emphasizes the origins and properties of atmospheric aerosols and the design of air pollution control equipment.

### **CEE 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Three dimensional stress and strain, failure theories, introduction to two-dimensional elasticity, torsion of prismatic members, beams on elastic foundation, introduction to plates and shells, and energy methods. Prerequisites: CEE 2340 and MATH 2343.

### **CEE 7350 - Introduction to Environmental Management Systems**

*Credits: 3*

An in-depth introduction to environmental management systems. Includes systems such as EMAS, Responsible Care, OHSAS 18000, ISO 14000, and the Texas EMS program. Takes a step-by-step look at the ISO 14001 standard, from the policy statement to the management to review, so students can fully understand the plan-do-check-act approach of the system. Also introduces management systems auditing the requirements of a system auditor, and the certification process.

### **CEE 7351 - Introduction to Environmental Toxicology**

*Credits: 3*

Presents toxicology as it relates to environmental and health effects of hazardous materials. Examines toxicological methodologies, pharmacokinetics, mechanisms of action to toxicants, origin response to toxic substances, and relevant aspects of the occupational and regulatory environment. Includes toxicology of metals, radiation, industrial solvents and vapors, pesticides, teratogens, mutagens, and carcinogens. Examines risk communication and risk assessment as they relate to toxic substance exposure.

### **CEE 7352 - Management of Radioactive Hazards**

*Credits: 3*

Principles of radioactive material production, uses, and hazards are presented with emphasis on their safe control and management. Topics in health physics and radiation protection related to the commercial nuclear industry are examined including uranium fuel production, light water reactor technologies, and industrial and medical uses of radioactive byproduct materials. Risk assessment methods and hazard management connected to the fuel cycles are developed. The regulation of radioactive materials is studied, with emphasis on licensing of regulated industries, radioactive material transportation, radioactive waste management and disposal, radiological emergency preparedness, and decommissioning. Prerequisite: CEE 5313.

## **CEE 7353 - Environmental Epidemiology**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to the science of epidemiology. Design and conduct of studies examining health effects of environmental exposures. Strengths and limitations of research strategies and interpretation of study results. Areas of interest include air and water pollution, lead, and biological marker outcomes.

## **CEE 7354 - Environmental Engineering Principles and Processes**

*Credits: 3*

Waste minimization and pollution prevention techniques and objectives are introduced. A comprehensive study is made of biological, chemical, and physical principles and treatment strategies for controlling pollutant emissions. Equal emphasis is placed on underlying theory and practical engineering application of both common and innovative water and wastewater treatment processes. Design equations, procedures, and process models are rigorously derived for chemical/biological reactors and physical unit operations. Emphasis is placed on engineering analysis and application of process modeling techniques for design unit processes to achieve specific treatment objectives.

## **CEE 7361 - Matrix Structural Analysis and Introduction to Finite Element Methods**

*Credits: 3*

A systematic approach to formulation of force and displacement method of analysis; representation of structures as assemblages of elements; and computer solution of structural systems. Prerequisite: CEE 3350 or consent of instructor.

## **CEE 7362 - Engineering Analysis with Numerical Methods**

*Credits: 3*

Applications of numerical and approximate methods in solving a variety of engineering problems. Examples include equilibrium, buckling, vibration, fluid mechanics, thermal science, and other engineering applications. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CEE 7363 - Architectural and Structural Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

The basic principles of structural analysis and mechanics of deformable bodies are introduced. Structural systems and principles are presented with an emphasis on architectural design. Students will be provided with a conceptual introduction to structures emphasizing the integration of structural and architectural design. Case studies of buildings are presented and discussed.

## **CEE 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the dynamic responses of structures and the behavior of structural components to dynamic loads and foundation excitations. Also, single- and multidegree-of-freedom systems response and its applications to analysis of framed structures. Introduces systems with distributed mass and flexibility. Prerequisites: MATH 2343 and CEE/ME 3350 or CEE/ME 5361.

## **CEE 7365 - Introduction to Construction Management**

*Credits: 3*

Construction practice techniques and current technological tools are examined. Included are cost estimating, bidding, contracts and contract bonds, risk and umbrella excess insurance, labor law and labor relations. Building codes and regulations are

examined. Business methods with respect to managing project time and cost including typical forms used in construction are addressed.

### **CEE 7366 - Introduction to Facilities Engineering Systems**

*Credits: 3*

The inter-relationships of fire protection, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, lighting, telecommunications, energy management systems for buildings are examined. A life-cycle approach examines each of these systems with respect to cost, durability, maintainability, operability, and safety. Facility operations, facility maintenance and testing, and assessments are discussed.

### **CEE 7367 - Telecommunications in Facility Planning**

*Credits: 3*

A thorough description of telecommunications technology is presented. Provides a working knowledge of the fundamental concepts of telecommunications technology for both voice and data. Topics include digital communications, standards and protocols, Ethernets, local area networks, fiber optics, and voice technologies.

### **CEE 7368 - Facilities Contract Management**

*Credits: 3*

A critical foundation and understanding is provided of the terminology, arts and skills of contracts and contract negotiation, review and preparation, as well as insurance and risk management. Attention is also given to lease analysis, licensing and permits, when and how bidding contracts are warranted, how to prepare specifications and their role in contract creation, and supplier and vendor management in the post-contractual process.

### **CEE 7369 - Electrical, Mechanical, and Piping Systems for Buildings**

*Credits: 3*

Mechanical and electrical systems for buildings are examined with emphasis on practical aspects of the subjects. Space planning and architectural considerations, including cost and environmental impact of the mechanical and electrical systems are presented. Prerequisites: Undergraduate introduction to electrical circuits, classical mechanics, and fluid dynamics, or instructor's approval.

### **CEE 7370 - Facility Planning**

*Credits: 3*

Presents the overall planning process for construction projects. Covers the three divisions of planning (program planning, project planning, and activity planning) in an integrated manner. Includes different modeling approaches for the planning process.

### **CEE 7371 - Facility Financial and Asset Management**

*Credits: 3*

Examines financial analysis and reporting, concepts and methods of accounting, budgeting, and evaluation of projects. Presents the role of facility managers in affecting corporate earnings and valuations. Includes the management of the facility over its entire life cycle, extending from planning and budgeting to the management of its assets and construction projects.

### **CEE 7373 - Prestressed Concrete**

*Credits: 3*

Theory and application of prestressed concrete members, time-dependent deflections, and continuous prestressed beams. Prerequisite: CEE 4350 or equivalent.



## **CEE 7375 - Advanced Concrete Design**

*Credits: 3*

Behavior, analysis, and design of concrete slender columns, two-way slab systems, and deep beams. Yield line analysis for slabs. Design and behavior of shear walls, retaining walls, and foundation systems. Prerequisite: CEE 4350 or equivalent.

## **CEE 7377 - Advanced Steel Design**

*Credits: 3*

Behavior and design of steel structures, including general methods of plastic analysis, plastic moment distribution, steel frames, unbraced and braced frames, and composite construction. Prerequisite: CEE 4350 or equivalent.

## **CEE 7378 - Transportation Planning and Traffic Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

This course is concerned mainly with the analysis and modeling of urban transportation systems. The course consists of three main parts. The first part provides an overview of main definitions and terminologies involved in the planning and modeling of urban transportation systems. The second part introduces the concept of urban transportation planning systems along with an overview of various models used in travel demand forecasting. The third part describes principles of traffic operations, analysis and control. Prerequisites: Basic principles of probability and statistics.

## **CEE 7379 - Highways Design and Safety**

*Credits: 3*

Provides an overview of the principals of highways design and traffic safety. Topics include highways functional classification, design control and criteria, driver performance, sight distance, horizontal and vertical alignments, cross section elements, design of freeways, intersections and interchanges, traffic safety, and environmental impact assessment.

## **CEE 7380 - Management of Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities**

*Credits: 3*

Efficient industrial centers require balanced consideration with respect to facility design and function. Mission-critical component management and information technology systems are designed for exceptionally reliable performance and efficient operation. This course emphasizes the component systems that are designed to maintain a high level of function. Covers electrical and mechanical reliability, efficiency, readiness, robustness, and flexibility, and the management of the information technology systems. Explores strategies designed to eliminate costly downtimes, with emphasis on standby generators; automatic transfer switches; uninterruptable power supplies; fuel, fire, and battery systems; energy security; and environmental and cooling technologies. Presents the implementation of sustainable technology, green certifications, and alternative energy strategies that are compatible with the mission-critical requirements of the facility. Includes operational approaches to reduce energy requirements for power and cooling, mandated safety standards, and environmental codes. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor.

## **CEE 7381 - Site Selection for Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities**

*Credits: 3*

Efficient industrial centers and facilities with mission-critical subsystems such as datacenters require balanced considerations with respect to facility design and site location. Site location plays an integral role in creating successful projects that especially support high reliability and promote sustainable design. While the important factors may vary from site to site, in any given instance a single factor can undermine the success of an otherwise excellent project. Ready availability and proper site selection that minimizes risk of disruption are particularly important factors for successful operation. Covers siting considerations,

including power needs, electrical mix, weather patterns, building codes, proximity to the workforce and transportation, and other topics that bear on reliable operation. Emphasizes strategies of site selection to adequately safeguard hardware and mission-critical data. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor.

### **CEE 7383 - Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the science and practice of controlling environmental conditions through the use of thermal process and systems. Specific applications include refrigeration, psychometrics, solar radiation, heating and cooling loads in buildings, and design of duct and piping systems. Theory and analysis are emphasized. Prerequisites: CEE 2331, CEE 2342, and ME 3332.

### **CEE 7384 - Energy Management for Buildings**

*Credits: 3*

Procedures to select energy saving options for buildings are examined with emphasis on practical aspects of the subjects. Space planning, architectural considerations, cost and environmental impact of the mechanical and electrical systems are considered along with optimizing the life cycle cost of the proposed alternative. Software for life-cycle cost and energy analysis are used to calculate energy consumption and compare energy features of proposed, audit-determined feasible changes to a building.

### **CEE 7385 - Advanced Soil Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Physicochemical properties of soil and soil stabilization. Advanced theories of soil deformation and failure as applied to slope stability and lateral loads. Soil-water interaction in earthen dams. Prerequisite: CEE 3385.

### **CEE 7386 - Foundation Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Application of soil mechanics principles to the design and construction of shallow and deep foundations. Topics include subsurface investigation procedures to obtain soil parameters for design and construction of structure foundations, bearing capacity and settlement analyses, construction procedures, and soil improvement techniques. Prerequisite: CEE 3385.

### **CEE 7387 - Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

This course provides fundamental knowledge and practical application of soil dynamics and geotechnical earthquake engineering. This includes an overview of seismic hazards, the fundamentals of vibration, wave propagation in elastic medium, properties of dynamically loaded soils, earthquake-induced ground motion, ground response analysis, lateral earth pressure on retaining walls, liquefaction of soils, and seismic stability of earth embankments.

### **CEE 7388 - Groundwater and Seepage**

*Credits: 3*

Examines fundamental principles of flow through porous media and related engineering problems. Topics include the saturated seepage theory and flow nets; the unsaturated flow theory; suction-saturation and saturation-hydraulic conductivity relationships; the principle of effective stress; laboratory and field testing methods for determining material characteristics; and numerical models for flow-related engineering problems.

## **CEE 7391 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 3*

Intensive study of a particular subject or design project, not available in regular course offerings, under the supervision of a faculty member approved by the department chair.

## **CEE 7392 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 3*

Intensive study of a particular subject or design project, not available in regular course offerings, under the supervision of a faculty member approved by the department chair.

## **CEE 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CEE 7491 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 4*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 7492 - Special Projects**

*Credits: 4*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 7696 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 6*

## **CEE 8049 - Ph.D. Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

## **CEE 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CEE 8190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8191 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8192 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8193 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8194 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CEE 8290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8291 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8292 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8293 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8294 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8325 - The Sustainable Urban Plan**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces basic concepts in sustainable urban design and planning and the factors shaping urban developments: financial projections, design concepts, marketability, public perception, and municipal incentives and requirements. Includes lectures and discussions of the text, and guest speakers from the real estate community. Examine the effects of urban design theory meeting economic reality and the resulting options for sustainability.

## **CEE 8326 - Sustainable Development**

*Credits: 3*

A land development constructed for sustainability must work within multiple sets of existing regulations, and then go beyond business as usual, to address issues not commonly considered. This course leads students through the combination of issues that lead toward sustainability within a project, including financial projections, legal issues, and municipal regulations. The concept of a truly sustainable development is examined and challenged.

## **CEE 8327 - Policy Impacts on Sustainability**

*Credits: 3*

The idea of a truly sustainable society is either encouraged or negated by its policies. This course will examine policies at multiple levels to assess their impact on our society's ability to become a sustainable one. Guest lecturers from the city, regional and state level will be included, as well as examinations of policies at the national level from around the world.

## **CEE 8328 - Defining the Future of Global Sustainability**

*Credits: 3*

To discuss the long-term future of global sustainability, what that term includes must be defined. Examines the national and international drivers of change, both current and trends toward the future that can be identified.

## **CEE 8329 - Global Resource Use**

*Credits: 3*

The globalization of the world's economy and politics has resulted in a globalization of resource use. Materials and services are routinely sourced from any spot in the world that can be competitive. The results of this situation are different in different hemispheres. The course examines the global distribution of energy use and energy production, and the resulting impact on air quality. Also, considers goods production and transit, especially in the area of food production and availability. Other considerations are ocean use and impact, the results of global climate change, and the availability of houses for all.

## **CEE 8330 - Engineering Sustainability for the Future**

*Credits: 3*

Solving the global challenges of the future will require innovative engineering of problems that are understood now, and those not yet faced. Examines the status of cutting-edge technologies and analyzes what issues need to be addressed for the future survival of the planet.

## **CEE 8340 - Theory of Elasticity**

*Credits: 3*

The study of stress, strain, and stress-strain relationships for elastic bodies. Classical solutions of two- and three-dimensional problems. The use of the Airy stress function is covered. Prerequisite: CEE 7340 or equivalent.

## **CEE 8364 - Finite Element Methods in Structural and Continuum Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Theory and application of finite element; two- and three- dimensional elements; bending elements; applications to buckling, and dynamic problems. Prerequisite: CEE 7361.

## **CEE 8365 - Construction Methods and Rehabilitation**

*Credits: 3*

Examines basic construction methods and equipment used to rehabilitate existing buildings and structures. Includes building maintenance, space improvement, and building component alteration. Also, installation of utilities, including underground utility design. Prerequisites: CEE 7363, CEE 7365.

## **CEE 8366 - Basic Concepts of Structural Stability**

*Credits: 3*

Unified approach to elastic buckling analysis of columns, plates, and shells using variational calculus (developed entirely in the course). Prerequisite: CEE 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **CEE 8368 - Theory of Plate Behavior**

*Credits: 3*

Analysis of flat plates subjected to normal loading, inplane loading, and thermal stresses. Plates of various shapes, thick plates, and anisotropic plates are analyzed for both small and large deflections. Prerequisite: CEE 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **CEE 8370 - Facility Project Management**

*Credits: 3*

Presents the principles and techniques of project management, beginning with the conceptual phase, through the coordination of design and construction, to project completion. Prerequisite: CEE 7370.

## **CEE 8378 - Transportation Demand Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

An overview of the theory of discrete choice and applications related to modeling travel demand. Topics include theories of

choice behavior, theory of estimation, binary choice models, multinomial choice models, multidimensional choice and nested logit, aggregate forecasting techniques, and estimation software. Prerequisite: Basic principles of probability and statistics.

### **CEE 8379 - Analysis of Transportation Systems**

*Credits: 3*

An overview of techniques used to model and analyze transportation systems. Topics include queuing theory, graph theory, network modeling, development of algorithms, shortest path problem, vehicle routing problem, and simulation techniques. Applications to transportation systems. Prerequisite: Basic principles of probability and statistics.

### **CEE 8390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

### **CEE 8392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental engineering approved by the department chair, the instructor, and the academic dean.

### **CEE 8393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8394 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

### **CEE 8490 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8491 - Special Topics**

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8492 - Special Topics**

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## **CEE 8493 - Special Topics**

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8494 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8590 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 5*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8591 - Special Topics**

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## **CEE 8592 - Special Topics**

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8593 - Special Topics**

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## **CEE 8594 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 5*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8690 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 6*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8691 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 6*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

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## **CEE 8694 - Special Topics**

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## **CEE 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CEE 8790 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 7*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8791 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 7*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8792 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 7*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8793 - Special Topics**

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8794 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 7*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8890 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 8*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

### **CEE 8891 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 8*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

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## **CEE 8894 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 8*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8990 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 9*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

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## **CEE 8993 - Special Topics**

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Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8994 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 9*

Individual or group study of selected topics in environmental or civil engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **CEE 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CEE 8396 and CEE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

# Computer Science and Engineering

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## Graduate Programs

The department offers graduate programs in computer engineering, computer science, security engineering and software engineering. Faculty research interests include CAD methods and algorithms for digital systems design, computer arithmetic, computer architecture, configurable hardware, design automation, VLSI design, bioinformatics, database systems, data mining, design and analysis of algorithms, theory of computation, software engineering, parallel processing, mobile computing, computer networks, fault tolerance, computer security, and information assurance.

In addition to the research labs, students in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering have access to a wide range of facilities and equipment. The CSE Department's computing environment has evolved into an Ethernet-based network of personal computers and servers. General-use UNIX servers are available that run OSF1, SunOS and Linux. A wireless network is also available throughout the facilities of CSE. Access to the network is also available via open-area labs containing X terminals and PCs.

**Graduate Degrees.** The Department of Computer Science and Engineering offers the following graduate degrees:

### Computer Engineering, Ph.D.

Students receiving a Ph.D. in computer engineering are expected to achieve and demonstrate a mastery of the discipline and to significantly advance the state of knowledge through an original research effort.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. An M.S. degree in computer engineering or a related field, including computer science, electrical engineering, mathematics or physics, from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing. In the case of direct admission without a previous M.S. degree, the baccalaureate degree must be conferred prior to the time the student begins classes as a graduate student, and the student will fulfill the requirements for, obtain an M.S. degree, and then continue working toward the Ph.D. Also, the student's GPA must be at least 3.400 on a 4.000 scale in the student's junior and senior years.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a GPA of at least 3.000 on a 4.000 scale.
3. A reasonable level of mathematical maturity.

4. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of appropriate application fee.
5. Submission of official GRE graduate school admission test scores.
6. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
7. Submission of a notarized financial certification form (graduates from foreign countries only). Before being considered for admission, all international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency exam score as follows:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. The graduation requirements fall into the categories of completion of a specified number of graduate credits in appropriate subjects with an acceptable GPA, demonstration of understanding of the discipline of computer engineering as evidenced by examination and completion of a substantial research effort documented in a doctoral dissertation. Doctoral students must maintain at least a 3.000 GPA every term and at least a 3.300 overall (cumulative) GPA during their course of study.
2. All requirements must be completed within seven years of entry into the program.

The steps for completion of the doctoral program are

1. Initial advising.
2. Basic coursework to prepare for the commencement of research work.
3. Selection of a dissertation director and supervisory committee.
4. Advanced coursework in the chosen research area and guided thesis research to prepare for the qualifying examination.
5. Successful completion of the qualifying examination as determined by the doctoral advising committee.
6. Dissertation research supervised by the candidate's doctoral adviser.
7. Successful defense of the research leading to the Ph.D.

Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

## Initial Advising

Upon entry into the Ph.D. program, students are assigned a faculty adviser who acts as an academic adviser. The responsibilities of this adviser are to examine the student's prior background and current state of knowledge and to recommend courses to be taken in preparation for the commencement of research work.

## Credit Requirements

### Prerequisites

All students entering the program are expected to possess knowledge equivalent to the following CSE courses:

- CSE 1341 - Principles of Computer Science
- CSE 1342 - Programming Concepts
- CSE 2240 - Assembly Language Programming and Machine Organization
- CSE 2341 - Data Structures
- CSE 2353 - Discrete Computational Structures

- CSE 3342 - Programming Languages
- CSE 3353 - Fundamentals of Algorithms
- CSE 3381 - Digital Logic Design
- CSE 4344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems
- CSE 4345 - Software Engineering Principles
- CSE 4381 - Digital Computer Design

## Graduate Credit Hours

A minimum of 54 graduate credit hours is required beyond the baccalaureate degree in order to achieve the Ph.D. degree. Of this, a minimum of 21 credit hours must be at the 8000 level. In addition to these 54 credit hours, 24 credit hours are required for dissertation credit. Of the 54 graduate credit hours, a maximum of 30 credit hours may transfer from an appropriate major from another institution.

## Core Courses

The following core courses must be taken at SMU if the student has not received credit for these at another university:

- CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software
- CSE 7344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems II
- CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture
- CSE 7387 - Digital Systems Design

## Minor Requirement

A minor, usually in an area of computer science, electrical engineering or mathematics, of a minimum of 12 credit hours supporting the chosen research area is required. These courses may be taken in CSE or a department separate from CSE. The minor requirement may be satisfied by transfer credit.

## Residency Requirement

All full-time Ph.D. students in residence at the main campus of SMU are required to enroll in the CSE seminar class CSE 8098. The CSE 8098 course is graded on a pass/fail basis with a grade of Pass requiring the attendance of at least two-thirds of the CSE departmental seminars and distinguished speaker series. The seminar coordinator will keep attendance records.

## Grades

No graduate credit is earned for a course in which a grade of less than C- is received. Such courses do, however, count toward the total GPA. A student must have a GPA of at least 3.000 on a 4.000 scale to graduate. If at any point a student's GPA drops below 3.000, the student is placed on academic probation. The student then has one term to raise his or her GPA to a minimum of 3.000 or be dismissed from the program. For part-time students, one term is taken to mean six credit hours. A grade of I (Incomplete) affects the GPA for the term in which the grade is granted rather than when it is removed; therefore, a student is placed on academic probation if he or she is granted a grade of I on currently completed work in the course and that grade causes the student's GPA to drop below 3.000.

## Computer Science Seminar

All Ph.D. students who are receiving financial support from the department (such as teaching and research assistantships) must enroll in the seminar class CSE 8098 each term that the course is offered.

## Advanced Study

Advanced study in computer engineering consists of a major concentration area. A concentration area consists of a number of courses that are related to a specific subfield of computer engineering. The major concentration consists of a minimum of 18 credit hours, no more than six of which can be independent study.

Credit earned for the core courses (CSE 7343, CSE 7350, CSE 7381 and CSE 7387) will not be counted for the concentration area. The student must file an advanced study degree plan with the department. No degree plan is accepted until approved by the chair of CSE. Credits received prior to filing a degree plan are not guaranteed to count toward graduation.

## Dissertation Director and Supervisory Committee

Before the student has completed 18 credit hours or two years of Ph.D. study (whichever comes first), he or she must identify a dissertation director and form a supervisory committee. It is the responsibility of the student to find a faculty member willing to provide a research topic or to supervise a topic of the student's choosing. The dissertation director must be one of the full-time tenure or tenure-track faculty members of the CSE Department. This requirement will be satisfied by successful completion and filing of the Recommendation and Certification of Appointment of Supervisory Committee form.

The dissertation director, together with the student, should prepare the advanced study degree plan. They should also form the supervisory committee. The supervisory committee is made up of at least five members. Three resident tenured or tenure-track faculty members are drawn from the student's department, and one resident tenured or tenure-track faculty member is chosen from each minor field. The chair of the supervisory committee shall be a resident tenured or tenure-track member of the school faculty and shall normally be the dissertation director and a member of the student's department. Thus, a minimum of four members must be resident tenured or tenure-track faculty of SMU. The names of the supervisory committee members must be submitted to the chair of the CSE Department and the director of the graduate division for approval.

## Qualifying Examination

The student must complete all the core courses with an average grade of *B+* (3.300) or better before he or she can appear for the qualifying examination. The student will give a written proposal to the committee members. The timing of this submission will be determined by the thesis adviser and usually occurs at the 40–50 percent completion point of the thesis research.

Committee members will submit questions to the Ph.D. dissertation director. The director and the members will negotiate the content of the questions. The questions will generally be from areas related to the student's area of research and, hence, the questions will be submitted only after student has submitted the written proposal. However, should a majority of the committee judge that the student has not shown strong credentials in one or more of the core areas, the examination may include questions designed specifically to determine whether or not the student has sufficient background in those areas. Examinations will be graded by each submitting member and given back to the chair. The chair, along with the other members, will decide the outcome (pass/fail) of the examination.

The written portion of the qualifying examination is a take-home (open-book) examination with four questions. Although there will be more than four members in the committee, usually one member will be from outside CSE and will not be required to submit a question. The student will have one week to answer questions and return the answers to the adviser. Each question is to be graded by the committee member who submitted that question. The student must attain an average score of 70 percent and a minimum score of 50 percent on each individual question in order to receive a passing grade.

After passing the written portion, the student will appear for the oral portion of the qualifying examination. In addition to evaluating the presentation based on the proposed research, the oral part will also address any deficiencies the written examination may reveal. The student should schedule the oral presentation at the time the written proposal is submitted, even though he or she will be eligible to appear for the oral presentation only after passing the written portion.

Students will have a maximum of two attempts to pass the qualifying examination.

If a student changes her or his area of research significantly, or if significant changes are made to the composition of the supervising committee, the student may be required to repeat the qualifying examination.

## Change of Committee or Concentration

A student may change concentration, dissertation director or supervisory committee at any point, subject to the approval of the CSE faculty. Such a change will generally require the formation of a new supervisory committee and will definitely require the filing of a new advanced study degree plan. The student must take a qualifying examination in the new concentration area to be admitted to candidacy. In the event that the student changes concentration after being admitted to candidacy, the candidacy is revoked and the student must pass the qualifying examination in the new concentration. Two attempts are allowed for a student in this position. A student may also change areas before being admitted to candidacy. In this event, it is possible that one or more unsuccessful attempts will have been made to pass the qualifying examination. The student may, at the discretion of the CSE supervisory committee, be allowed two attempts in the new concentration, but under no circumstances will more than three attempts be allowed at the examination. It is also possible that a student will change dissertation director or composition of the supervisory committee, while still retaining the same concentration areas. Such changes may be made only with the approval of the CSE supervisory committee. If the dissertation director is changed, the new research adviser may, at his or her discretion, require a new qualifying examination. In addition, if the makeup of the supervisory committee changes substantially, the CSE supervisory committee may require a new qualifying examination to be taken with the newly constituted committee.

## Doctoral Dissertation

The most clearly distinguishing characteristic of a program leading to the Ph.D. degree is the requirement that the candidate write a dissertation embodying the results of a significant and original investigation. The dissertation must make a significant contribution to the engineering discipline, and it is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing. The work reported in the dissertation may be basic scientific research, engineering research or creative design.

Upon the successful completion of the dissertation defense, the dissertation is uploaded to the SMU/UMI Dissertation Publishing website. The original abstract must be signed by the dissertation director, and the original half-title page of the dissertation must be signed by all of the CSE faculty members attending the dissertation defense.

## Dissertation Defense

### **Final Examination:**

Upon completion of all other requirements, a dissertation defense by the candidate will be announced, registered with the Graduate Division and subsequently conducted by the supervisory committee. The candidate must make six unbound copies of his or her dissertation available to the members of the supervisory committee at least two weeks in advance of the dissertation defense. This defense, which is conducted orally, must enable the supervisory committee to satisfy itself that the dissertation is an original piece of work, either in research or creative design that it has been carried out in keeping with the highest standards of investigation and reporting, and that it makes a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the engineering profession or scientific community. The defense must be scheduled with the CSE departmental office and posted in the Lyle School of Engineering. This defense is open to the public, with the possible exception of a period that involves general questions in computer science and engineering and that is open only to committee members and CSE faculty. Satisfactory performance on this defense constitutes the last requirement to be met for the Ph.D. degree.

## **Computer Science, Ph.D.**

Students receiving a Ph.D. in computer science are expected to achieve and demonstrate a mastery of the discipline and to significantly advance the state of knowledge through an original research effort.



# Admission Requirements

Applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. An M.S. degree in computer science or a related field, including computer engineering, electrical engineering, mathematics or physics, from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing. In the case of direct admission without a previous M.S. degree, the baccalaureate degree must be conferred prior to the time the student begins classes as a graduate student, and the student will fulfill the requirements for and obtain an M.S. degree and then continue working toward the Ph.D. Also, the student's GPA must be at least 3.400 on a 4.000 scale in the student's junior and senior years.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a GPA of at least 3.000 on a 4.000 scale.
3. A reasonable level of mathematical maturity.
4. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of appropriate application fee.
5. Submission of official GRE graduate school admission test scores.
6. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
7. Submission of a notarized financial certification form (graduates from foreign countries only). Before being considered for admission, all international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency exam score as follows:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. The graduation requirements fall into the categories of completion of a specified number of graduate credit hours in appropriate subjects with an acceptable GPA, demonstration of understanding of the discipline of computer science as evidenced by examination, and completion of a substantial research effort documented in a doctoral dissertation. Doctoral students must maintain at least a 3.000 GPA every term and at least a 3.300 overall (cumulative) GPA during their course of study.
2. All requirements must be completed within seven years of entry into the program.

The steps for completion of the doctoral program are

1. Initial advising.
2. Basic coursework to prepare for the commencement of research work.
3. Selection of a dissertation director and supervisory committee.
4. Advanced coursework in the chosen research area and guided thesis research to prepare for the qualifying examination.
5. Successful completion of the qualifying examination as determined by the doctoral advising committee.
6. Dissertation research supervised by the candidate's doctoral adviser.
7. Successful defense of the research leading to the Ph.D.

Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

## Initial Advising

Upon entry into the Ph.D. program, students are assigned a faculty adviser who acts as an academic adviser. The responsibilities of this adviser are to examine the student's prior background and current state of knowledge and to recommend courses to be taken in preparation for conducting research.

## Credit Requirements

### Prerequisites

All students entering the program are expected to possess knowledge equivalent to the following CSE courses:

- CSE 1341 - Principles of Computer Science
- CSE 1342 - Programming Concepts
- CSE 2240 - Assembly Language Programming and Machine Organization
- CSE 2341 - Data Structures
- CSE 2353 - Discrete Computational Structures
- CSE 3342 - Programming Languages
- CSE 3353 - Fundamentals of Algorithms
- CSE 3381 - Digital Logic Design
- CSE 4345 - Software Engineering
- CSE 4381 - Digital Computer Design

### Graduate Credit Hours

A minimum of 54 graduate credit hours is required beyond the baccalaureate degree in order to achieve the Ph.D. degree. Of this, a minimum of 21 credit hours must be at the 8000 level. In addition to these 54 credit hours, 24 credit hours are required for dissertation credit. Of the 54 graduate credit hours, a maximum of 30 credit hours may be used if an entering student possesses an M.S. in an appropriate major from another institution.

### Core Courses

The following core courses must be taken at SMU if the student has not received credit for these at another university:

- CSE 7330 - File Organization and Database Management
- CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software
- CSE 7350 - Algorithm Engineering
- CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture

### Minor Requirement

A minor, usually in an area of computer engineering, electrical engineering or mathematics, of a minimum of 12 credit hours supporting the chosen research area is required. These courses may be taken in CSE or in another department in the Lyle School of Engineering. The minor requirement may be satisfied by transfer credit.

### Residency Requirement

All full-time Ph.D. students in residence at the main campus of SMU are required to enroll in the CSE seminar class CSE 8098. The CSE 8098 course is graded on a pass/fail basis with a grade of Pass requiring the attendance of at least two-thirds of the CSE departmental seminars and distinguished speaker series. The seminar coordinator will keep attendance records.

## Grades

No graduate credit is earned for a course in which a grade of less than C- is received. Such courses do, however, count toward the total GPA. A student must have a GPA of at least 3.000 on a 4.000 scale to graduate. If at any point, a student's GPA drops below 3.000, the student is placed on academic probation. The student then has one term to raise his or her GPA to 3.000 or be dismissed from the program. For part-time students, one term is taken to mean six credit hours. A grade of *I* (Incomplete) affects the GPA for the term in which the grade is granted rather than when it is removed; therefore, a student is placed on academic probation if he or she is granted a grade of *I* on currently completed work in the course and that grade causes the student's GPA to drop below 3.000.

## Computer Science Seminar

All Ph.D. students that are receiving financial support from the department (such as teaching and research assistantships) must enroll in the seminar class CSE 8098 each term that the course is offered.

## Advanced Study

Advanced study in computer science consists of a major concentration area. A concentration area consists of a number of courses that are related to a specific subfield of computer science. The major concentration consists of a minimum of 18 credit hours, no more than six of which can be independent study.

Credit earned for the core courses (CSE 7330, CSE 7343, CSE 7350 and CSE 7381) will not be counted for the concentration area. The student must file an advanced study degree plan with the department. No degree plan is accepted until approved by the chair of CSE. Credits received prior to filing a degree plan are not guaranteed to count toward graduation.

## Research Adviser and Supervisory Committee

Before the student has completed 18 credit hours or two years of Ph.D. study (whichever comes first), he or she must identify a dissertation director and form a supervisory committee. It is the responsibility of the student to find a faculty member willing to provide a research topic or to supervise a topic of the student's choosing. The dissertation director must be one of the full-time tenure or tenure-track faculty members of the CSE Department. This requirement will be satisfied by successful completion and filing of the Recommendation and Certification of Appointment of Supervisory Committee form.

The dissertation director, together with the student, should prepare the advanced study degree plan. They should also form the supervisory committee. The supervisory committee is made up of at least five members. Three resident tenured or tenure-track faculty members are drawn from the student's department, and one resident tenured or tenure-track faculty member is chosen from each minor field. The chair of the supervisory committee shall be a resident tenured or tenure-track member of the school faculty and shall normally be the dissertation director and a member of the student's department. Thus, a minimum of four members must be resident tenured or tenure-track faculty of SMU. The names of the supervisory committee members must be submitted to the chair of the CSE Department and the director of the graduate division for approval.

## Qualifying Examination

The student must complete all the core courses with an average grade of B+ (3.300) or better before he or she can appear for the qualifying examination. The student will give a written proposal to the committee members. The timing of this submission will be determined by the thesis adviser and usually occurs at the 40–50 percent completion point of the thesis research.

Committee members will submit questions to the Ph.D. dissertation director. The director and the members will negotiate the content of the questions. The questions will generally be from areas related to the student's area of research and, hence, the questions will be submitted only after student has submitted the written proposal. However, should a majority of the committee judge that the student has not shown strong credentials in one or more of the core areas, the examination may include questions

designed specifically to determine whether or not the student has sufficient background in those areas. Examinations will be graded by each submitting member and given back to the chair. The chair, along with the other members, will decide the outcome (pass/fail) of the examination.

The written portion of the qualifying examination is a take-home (open-book) examination with four questions. Although there will be more than four members in the committee, usually one member will be from outside CSE and will not be required to submit a question. The questions will be given to the students on a Friday as determined by the committee chair, and the answers will be due back on the following Friday. The student must attain an average score of 70 percent and a minimum score of 50 percent on each individual question in order to receive a passing grade.

After passing the written portion, the student will appear for the oral portion of the qualifying examination. In addition to evaluating the presentation based on the proposed research, the oral part will also address any deficiencies the written examination may reveal. The student should schedule the oral presentation at the time the written proposal is submitted, even though he or she will be eligible to appear for the oral presentation only after passing the written portion.

Students will have a maximum of two attempts to pass the qualifying examination.

If a student changes her or his area of research significantly or if significant changes are made to the composition of the supervising committee, the student may be required to repeat the qualifying examination.

## Change of Committee or Concentration

A student may change concentration, dissertation director or supervisory committee at any point, subject to the approval of the CSE faculty. Such a change will generally require the formation of a new supervisory committee and will definitely require the filing of a new advanced study plan. The student must take a qualifying examination in the new concentration area to be admitted to candidacy. In the event that the student changes concentration after being admitted to candidacy, the candidacy is revoked and the student must pass the qualifying examination in the new concentration. Two attempts are allowed for a student in this position. A student may also change areas before being admitted to candidacy. In this event, it is possible that one or more unsuccessful attempts will have been made to pass the qualifying examination. The student may, at the discretion of the CSE supervisory committee be allowed two attempts in the new concentration, but under no circumstances will more than three attempts be allowed at the examination. It is also possible that a student will change dissertation director or composition of the supervisory committee while still retaining the same concentration area. Such changes may be made only with the approval of the CSE supervisory committee. If the dissertation director is changed, the new dissertation director may, at his or her discretion, require a new qualifying examination. In addition, if the makeup of the supervisory committee changes substantially, the CSE supervisory committee may require a new qualifying examination to be taken with the newly constituted committee.

## Doctoral Dissertation

The most clearly distinguishing characteristic of a program leading to the Ph.D. degree is the requirement that the candidate write a dissertation embodying the results of a significant and original investigation. The dissertation must make a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the computer science discipline, and it is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing. The work reported in the dissertation may be basic scientific research, engineering research or creative design.

Upon the successful completion of the dissertation defense, the dissertation is electronically uploaded to the SMU/UMI Dissertation Publishing submission website. The original abstract must be signed by the dissertation director, and the original half-title page of the dissertation must be signed by all of the CSE faculty members attending the dissertation defense.

## Dissertation Defense

### **Final Examination:**

Upon completion of all other requirements, a dissertation defense by the candidate will be announced, registered with the Graduate Division and subsequently conducted by the supervisory committee. The candidate must make six unbound copies of

his or her dissertation available to the members of the supervisory committee at least two weeks in advance of the dissertation defense. This defense, which is conducted orally, must enable the supervisory committee to satisfy itself that the dissertation is an original piece of work, either in research or creative design that it has been carried out in keeping with the highest standards of investigation and reporting, and that it makes a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the computer profession or scientific community. The defense must be scheduled with the CSE departmental office and posted in the Lyle School of Engineering. This defense is open to the public, with the possible exception of a period open only to committee members and CSE faculty in which general questions in computer science and engineering may be asked. Satisfactory performance on this defense constitutes the last requirement to be met for the Ph.D. degree.

## **Software Engineering, D.Engr.**

Students receiving a D.Engr. with a major in software engineering are expected to achieve and demonstrate a solid foundation and depth in software engineering practice, a breadth across the engineering discipline, and a significant and industrially relevant engineering innovative experience through the D.Engr. praxis.

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants are required to satisfy the following requirements:

1. A master's degree in software engineering, computer science, computer engineering, engineering management or a related discipline.
2. Submission of official test scores from the GRE graduate school admission test score and submission of TOEFL English language proficiency exam scores if English is not the applicant's native language.
3. Approval of the director of the software engineering program.

## **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the D.Engr. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following: The graduation requirements fall into the categories of completion of a specified number of graduate credit hours in appropriate subjects and completion of a praxis. Doctoral students must maintain at least a 3.000 GPA every term and at least a 3.300 overall (cumulative) GPA during their course of study.

1. Twenty-four credit hours of core software engineering courses. These credit hours must come from graduate-level courses in software engineering, as specified.
2. Twelve credit hours of core engineering management courses. These credit hours must come from graduate-level courses in engineering management, as specified.
3. Fifteen credit hours in a technical specialty. These credit hours must be taken in software engineering, computer science, computer engineering, engineering management, systems engineering or other technical areas consistent with anticipated doctoral work demands.
4. Fifteen credit hours of electives. All elective credit hours must come from graduate-level courses and must be approved by the advisory committee. These courses should, in some way, complement and strengthen the student's degree plan. They should broaden the student's understanding of the issues and problems relating to the application of software technologies to different engineering disciplines.
5. Twelve credit hours of praxis. These credit hours must be taken in residence. The student enrolls for these credit hours in the course of preparing the praxis project.

Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

## Core Courses in Software Engineering

### Required Courses

The following courses or their equivalents must be included in the degree plan:

- CSE 7314 - Software Testing and Quality Assurance
- CSE 7315 - Software Project Planning and Management
- CSE 7316 - Software Requirements
- CSE 7319 - Software Architecture and Design

### Additional Courses

In addition, at least four of the following courses must be taken:

- CSE 8312 - Software Generation and Maintenance
- CSE 8313 - Object-Oriented Analysis and Design
- CSE 8314 - Software Metrics and Quality Engineering
- CSE 8315 - Software Acquisition, Legal, and Economic Issues
- CSE 8316 - User Interface Design
- CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety
- CSE 8340 - Advanced Topics in Software Engineering

## Core Courses in Engineering Management

### Required Courses

The following courses, or their equivalents, must be included in the degree plan:

- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments

### Additional Courses

In addition, at least two of the following courses must be taken:

- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support

## Engineering Praxis

The student must perform a suitable engineering praxis proposed by the student and approved by the praxis adviser and the supervisory committee. The praxis must include a significant and industrially relevant engineering innovative experience, typically revolving around a well-defined project relevant to current software engineering practice. Good scholarship and the significance of the student's praxis could be demonstrated by relevant technical publications, patents (or patent applications) or invention disclosures. As a culmination of the doctoral program, the student must submit an acceptable written praxis report and pass the oral praxis presentation and defense.

Upon the successful completion of the praxis defense, the praxis is uploaded to the SMU/UMI Praxis Publishing website. The original abstract must be signed by the praxis adviser, and the original half-title page of the praxis must be signed by all of the CSE faculty members attending the praxis defense.

## Sample Doctoral Degree Plans

The courses comprising a degree plan for a D.Engr. with a major in software engineering will be determined by the student's supervisory committee. The plans will vary among students depending on their background and praxis topics. Sample degree plans cover both basic degree requirements and technical specialties. All students must select a technical specialty track that is approved by their committee and that relates to their praxis topic. The following are *examples* of technical specialty tracks appropriate for a D.Engr. with a major in software engineering candidates:

### Security

- CSE 7339 - Computer System Security
- CSE 7348 - Internetworking Protocols and Programming
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- CSE 7359 - Software Security
- CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security
- CSE 8352 - Cryptography and Data Security

### Networks/Distributed Computing

- CSE 7344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems II
- CSE 7348 - Internetworking Protocols and Programming
- CSE 8344 - Computer Networks
- CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing
- CSE 8380 - Parallel and Distributed Processing

### Data Management

- CSE 7330 - File Organization and Database Management
- CSE 7331 - An Introduction to Data Mining and Related Topics
- CSE 7347 - XML and the Enterprise
- CSE 8330 - Database Management Systems
- CSE 8331 - Advanced Data Mining
- CSE 8337 - Information Storage and Retrieval

### Embedded Systems

- CSE 7380 - VLSI Algorithms
- CSE 7385 - Microcontroller Architecture and Interfacing
- CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety
- CSE 8387 - Switching Theory and Applications in VLSI Cad
- CSE 8388 - Embedded Computing System Design

## High-Performance Applications Engineering

e.g., computer gaming

- CSE 7350 - Algorithm Engineering
- CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture
- CSE 7382 - Computer Graphics
- CSE 8355 - Graph Theory: Algorithms and Applications
- CSE 8351 - Computer Arithmetic
- CSE 8383 - Advanced Computer Architecture

## Recognition of Previous Postbaccalaureate Coursework

Students with an M.S. in software engineering, engineering management or other related areas may apply up to 30 credit hours of their M.S. degree credits toward their D.Engr. with a major in software engineering, subject to approval of their supervisory committee.

## **Computer Engineering, M.S.Cp.E.**

## Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. A bachelor's degree in computer engineering, computer science or closely related discipline. Applicants with undergraduate degrees in other disciplines may also be admitted to the program and may be required to take articulation coursework.
2. A minimum GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale in the student's junior and senior years.
3. A reasonable level of mathematical maturity.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. Either 24 credit hours of coursework and a master's thesis or 30 credit hours of coursework.
2. Twelve credit hours of core courses. Students on campus are required to register for a seminar course (for zero credit hours) for at least one term and secure a grade of Pass.
3. Six credit hours of concentration. Thesis students take six credit hours of thesis, instead of concentration.
4. Twelve credit hours of electives. All students are allowed to take at most three credit hours of independent study, which will be counted as one elective course.

The CSE Department requires that the courses taken constitute a coherent program leading to mastery in computer engineering. These requirements are discussed in the subsequent subsections. Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.



## Articulation

All students entering the program are expected to possess knowledge equivalent to the following courses:

- CSE 1341 - Principles of Computer Science
- CSE 1342 - Programming Concepts
- CSE 2240 - Assembly Language Programming and Machine Organization
- CSE 2341 - Data Structures
- CSE 2353 - Discrete Computational Structures
- CSE 3353 - Fundamentals of Algorithms
- CSE 3381 - Digital Logic Design
- CSE 4381 - Digital Computer Design

## Note

Students with deficiencies may be granted conditional admission to the program and be required to take some of courses as articulation. Students are required to complete these articulation courses, maintaining a minimum 3.000 GPA. A student who fails to achieve this record is automatically dropped from the graduate program, may not enroll in graduate courses and may be denied the right to petition for readmission. Students who maintain the minimum 3.000 GPA in these courses may advance into the balance of their plan of study. As nearly as possible, these articulation courses should be completed before the courses in the balance of the plan of study are attempted. An articulation course must be completed before undertaking any graduate coursework, which requires it as prerequisite.

## Residency and Level Requirements

A minimum of 30 graduate credit hours must be earned toward an M.S. degree, of which at least 24 must be earned in residency at SMU. Up to six credit hours may be transferred with departmental approval. Of the 30 credit hours needed for graduation, at least nine credit hours must be at the 8000 level, with the remainder at the 7000 level or above. For the 8000-level courses, at least six credit hours must be CSE courses.

## Distribution of Courses

Courses are considered to be core, concentration or elective. Core courses cover material fundamental to graduate-level computer science and are required of all students. Each student is expected to specialize in some area of computer engineering. The concentration area is a mechanism by which a student can tailor a coherent program of study to his or her interests. Electives are courses taken to round out the 30 credit hour requirement. Transferred credit hours may be used to satisfy any of these requirements. The specific requirements are discussed in detail in the following subsections.

## Course Requirements

A student who elects to take the nonthesis option must take 12 credit hours of core courses, six credit hours of concentration and 12 credit hours of electives. The electives may be selected from available graduate-level course offerings in the Lyle School of Engineering, subject to the residency and level requirements and adviser approval. Those who elect to take the thesis option will substitute the concentration with thesis credit hours.

## Core Courses

- CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software
- CSE 7344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems II
- CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture
- CSE 7387 - Digital Systems Design
- CSE 8098 - Computer Science Seminars

Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Concentration

One of the following programs:

### Architecture

Two of the following:

- CSE 7385 - Microcontroller Architecture and Interfacing
- CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing
- CSE 8380 - Parallel and Distributed Processing
- CSE 8383 - Advanced Computer Architecture

### Design Automation

Two of the following:

- CSE 7380 - VLSI Algorithms
- CSE 7387 - Digital Systems Design
- CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing
- CSE 8387 - Switching Theory and Applications in VLSI Cad

### Networking

Two of the following:

- CSE 7348 - Internetworking Protocols and Programming
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- CSE 8344 - Computer Networks
- CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Electives

Electives may be selected from available graduate-level course offerings in the Lyle School of Engineering, subject to the residency and level requirements and adviser approval.

Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Thesis Option

A student may elect to write a master's thesis, which counts as the six credit hours of concentration. The student must register for at least six credit hours under CSE 7(1–6)96. If the thesis option is chosen, all other requirements are the same. The six credit hours of thesis satisfy six of the nine required credit hours for advanced (CSE 8000 level) courses.

A master's thesis represents one or more of the following: synthesis of divergent ideas or a scholarly critique of current literature, a creative research activity or a significant design project, the results of which must be documented in a well-written thesis. The thesis should be of publishable quality, and it is recommended that it be submitted to an appropriate conference or journal before the thesis defense.

A thesis must be supervised by a faculty adviser selected by the student. Any full-time faculty member supporting the student's concentration area may serve as the thesis adviser. It is the student's responsibility either to find an adviser willing to provide a thesis topic or willing to supervise a topic of the student's choosing.

Once the student has found an adviser and a topic has been selected, the student and adviser should jointly form a thesis supervisory committee. This committee must consist of at least three members, two of whom must represent the concentration area. The adviser chairs this committee. The makeup of this committee must be approved by the chair of CSE and the director of the graduate division.

The student must provide the members of the committee with a written thesis proposal. Typically, this will be done before the faculty agrees to serve on the committee.

A thesis is judged by the supervisory committee based upon technical merit, originality and presentation. The thesis must be presented orally to the committee at a thesis defense. A copy of the thesis must be made available to each member of the committee at least two weeks before the planned defense. The defense must be scheduled with the CSE department office and posted in appropriate bulletin boards. The defense is open to the public.

## Computer Science, M.S.

# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. A bachelor's degree in computer science, computer engineering or a closely related discipline. Applicants with undergraduate degrees in disciplines other than computer science may be admitted to the program and may be required to take articulation coursework and/or satisfy the competency requirement (see below).
2. A minimum GPA of 3.000 on a 4.000 scale in the student's junior and senior years.
3. A reasonable level of mathematical maturity.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

- Either 24 credit hours of coursework and a master's thesis or 30 credit hours of coursework.
- Twelve credit hours of core courses. Students on campus are required to register for a seminar course (for zero credit hours) for at least one term and secure a grade of Pass.

- Six credit hours of concentration. Thesis students take six credit hours of thesis, instead of concentration.
- Twelve credit hours of electives. All students are allowed to take at most three credit hours of independent study, which will be counted as one elective course.

The CSE Department requires that the courses taken constitute a coherent program leading to mastery of computer science. These requirements are discussed in the subsequent subsections. Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

Students entering the program without an undergraduate degree in computer science must satisfy the following competency requirements in addition to the degree requirements listed above:

1. The ability to write programs in a high level language such as Java, C++, Python, etc.
2. Demonstrate competence in six core areas of computer science.

Students may fulfill (1) by either:

- a. Demonstrating their programming ability in a departmental examination.
- b. Successful completion of CSE 1341 - Principles of Computer Science.
- c. Obtaining a certificate of achievement from EDX (or comparable entity) in one of the high-level programming languages (e.g. Java, C++, Python).

Students may fulfill (2) by demonstrating competence in the following core areas of Computer Science:

- a. Computer Architecture
- b. Programming Languages
- c. Data Structures and Algorithms
- d. Database Management Systems
- e. Operating Systems and Concurrency
- f. Networks and Distributed Systems

Competence in core areas may be demonstrated by one of the following:

- Completing a course from an ABET Accredited program that covers a core area.
- Obtaining 70% or better on a departmental examination that covers a core area. Exams will be based on a set of specified readings published by the Computer Science & Engineering Department and should be taken prior to beginning of the first semester.
- Completing and passing one or more of the following core-area courses:
  - CSE 7101 - Foundations of Computer Architecture
  - CSE 7102 - Foundations of Programming Languages
  - CSE 7103 - Foundations of Data Structures and Algorithms
  - CSE 7104 - Foundations of Database Management Systems
  - CSE 7105 - Foundations of Operating Systems
  - CSE 7106 - Foundations of Networks and Distributed Systems

These courses are 1 credit hour each, are offered pass-fail and do not count toward the 30 hour degree requirement. The grade for the course will be based on several assignments and a final examination.

## Residency and Level Requirements

A minimum of 30 graduate credit hours must be earned toward an M.S. degree, of which at least 24 must be earned in residency at SMU. Up to six credit hours may be transferred with departmental approval.

Of the 30 credit hours needed for graduation, at least nine credit hours must be at the 8000 level, with the remainder at the 7000 level or above. For the 8000-level courses, at least six credit hours must be CSE courses.

## Distribution of Courses

Courses are considered to be core, concentration or elective. Core courses cover material considered fundamental to graduate-level computer science and are required of all students. Each student is expected to specialize in some area of computer science. The concentration area is a mechanism by which a student can tailor a coherent program of study to his or her interests. Electives are courses taken to round out the 30 credit hour requirement. Transferred credit hours may be used to satisfy any of these requirements. The specific requirements are discussed in detail in the following subsections.

## Course Requirements

A student who elects to take the nonthesis option must take 12 credit hours of core courses, six credit hours of concentration and 12 credit hours of electives. The electives may be selected from available graduate-level course offerings in the Lyle School of Engineering, subject to the residency and level requirements and adviser approval. Those who elect to take thesis option will substitute the concentration with thesis credit hours.

### Core Courses

- CSE 7330 - File Organization and Database Management
- CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software
- CSE 7350 - Algorithm Engineering
- CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture
- CSE 8098 - Computer Science Seminars

Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Electives

Electives may be selected from available graduate-level course offerings in the Lyle School of Engineering, subject to the residency and level requirements and adviser approval.

Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Concentration

#### Algorithms

Two of the following:

- CSE 7380 - VLSI Algorithms
- CSE 8350 - Algorithms II
- CSE 8351 - Computer Arithmetic
- CSE 8355 - Graph Theory: Algorithms and Applications

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Architecture Concentration

Two of the following:

- CSE 7380 - VLSI Algorithms
- CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing
- CSE 8380 - Parallel and Distributed Processing
- CSE 8383 - Advanced Computer Architecture
- CSE 8387 - Switching Theory and Applications in VLSI Cad

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Data Science Concentration

Two of the following:

- CSE 7323 - Mobile Applications for Sensing and Learning
- CSE 7331 - An Introduction to Data Mining and Related Topics
- CSE 7337 - Information Retrieval and Web Search
- CSE 7338 - Security Economics
- CSE 7347 - XML and the Enterprise
- CSE 8331 - Advanced Data Mining
- CSE 8337 - Information Storage and Retrieval

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Security Concentration

Two of the following:

- CSE 7338 - Security Economics
- CSE 7339 - Computer System Security
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- CSE 7359 - Software Security
- CSE 7369 - Hardware Security and Trojan Detection
- CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security
  
- CSE 8352 - Cryptography and Data Security  
or
- EE 8372 - Cryptography and Data Security
  
- CSE 8359 - Advanced Software Security

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Software Concentration

Two of the following:

- CSE 7314 - Software Testing and Quality Assurance
- CSE 7319 - Software Architecture and Design
- CSE 7345 - Advanced Application Programming
- CSE 8313 - Object-Oriented Analysis and Design
- CSE 8316 - User Interface Design

Total: 6 Credit Hours

## Thesis Option

A student may elect to write a master's thesis, which counts as the six credit hours of concentration. The student must register for at least six credit hours under CSE 7(1–6)96. If the thesis option is chosen, all other requirements are the same. The six credit hours of thesis satisfy six of the nine required credit hours for advanced courses.

A master's thesis represents one or more of the following: synthesis of divergent ideas or a scholarly critique of current literature, a creative research activity or a significant design project, the results of which must be documented in a well-written thesis. The thesis should be of publishable quality, and it is recommended that it be submitted to an appropriate conference or journal before the thesis defense.

A thesis must be supervised by a faculty adviser selected by the student. Any full-time faculty member supporting the student's concentration area may serve as the thesis adviser. It is the student's responsibility to find an adviser willing to provide a thesis topic or willing to supervise a topic of the student's choosing.

Once the student has found an adviser and a topic has been selected, the student and adviser should jointly form a thesis supervisory committee. This committee must consist of at least three members, two of whom must represent the concentration area. The adviser chairs this committee. The makeup of this committee must be approved by the chair of CSE and the director of the Graduate Division.

The student must provide the members of the committee with a written thesis proposal. Typically, this will be done before faculty agrees to serve on the committee.

A thesis is judged by the supervisory committee based upon technical merit, originality and presentation. The thesis must be presented orally to the committee at a thesis defense. A copy of the thesis must be made available to each member of the committee at least two weeks before the planned defense. The defense must be scheduled with the CSE department office and posted on appropriate bulletin boards. The defense is open to the public.

## **Security Engineering, M.S.**

Security engineering is the computer science and engineering discipline concerned with the design and development of secure systems and applications. Security engineering covers security of computer networks and systems as well as physical security. In addition to the technical aspects such as cryptography, protocols and access control, the curriculum deals with the policy and management issues, integration and logistics, and budgeting. Centering on the problems of working professionals in the critical field of security, the SMU program in security engineering serves the needs of both full-time and part-time students.

# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. A bachelor's degree in one of the quantitative sciences, mathematics or computer science or in one of the engineering disciplines.
2. A minimum of one year of college-level calculus.
3. A minimum of two years of industry experience or submission of official GRE general graduate school admission test scores.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

### Core Courses

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum encompassing four courses:

- CSE 7339 - Computer System Security
- CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- CSE 7359 - Software Security

### Advanced Elective Courses

Satisfactory completion of three advanced elective courses from the following:

- CSE 7314 - Software Testing and Quality Assurance
- CSE 7331 - An Introduction to Data Mining and Related Topics
- CSE 7338 - Security Economics
- CSE 7369 - Hardware Security and Trojan Detection
- CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety
- CSE 8331 - Advanced Data Mining
- CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security
  
- CSE 8352 - Cryptography and Data Security  
or
- EE 8372 - Cryptography and Data Security
  
- CSE 8353 - Digital Forensics
- CSE 8356 - Border and Transportation Security
- CSE 8359 - Advanced Software Security
- CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing
- EMIS 7313 - Integrated Logistics Support

### Elective Courses



Satisfactory completion of three elective courses; these courses may be any of the available graduate-level course offerings in the Lyle School of Engineering.

## Note

Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

## Additional Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

- Either 24 credit hours of coursework and a master's thesis or 30 credit hours of coursework.
- Twelve credit hours of core courses. Students on campus are required to register for a seminar course (for zero credit hours) for at least one term and secure a grade of Pass.
- Six credit hours of concentration. Thesis students take six credit hours of thesis, instead of concentration.
- Twelve credit hours of electives. All students are allowed to take at most three credit hours of independent study, which will be counted as one elective course.

The CSE Department requires that the courses taken constitute a coherent program leading to mastery of computer science. These requirements are discussed in the subsequent subsections. Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

Students entering the program without an undergraduate degree in computer science must satisfy the following competency requirements in addition to the degree requirements listed above:

1. The ability to write programs in a high level language such as Java, C++, Python, etc.
2. Demonstrate competence in six core areas of computer science.

Students may fulfill (1) by either:

- a. Demonstrating their programming ability in a departmental examination.
- b. Successful completion of CSE 1341 - Principles of Computer Science.
- c. Obtaining a certificate of achievement from EDX (or comparable entity) in one of the high-level programming languages (e.g. Java, C++, Python).

Students may fulfill (2) by demonstrating competence in the following core areas of Computer Science:

- a. Computer Architecture
- b. Programming Languages
- c. Data Structures and Algorithms
- d. Database Management Systems
- e. Operating Systems and Concurrency
- f. Networks and Distributed Systems

Competence in core areas may be demonstrated by one of the following:

- Completing a course from an ABET Accredited program that covers a core area.
- Obtaining 70% or better on a departmental examination that covers a core area. Exams will be based on a set of specified readings published by the Computer Science & Engineering Department and should be taken prior to beginning of the first semester.
- Completing and passing one or more of the following core-area courses:
  - CSE 7101 - Foundations of Computer Architecture
  - CSE 7102 - Foundations of Programming Languages
  - CSE 7103 - Foundations of Data Structures and Algorithms
  - CSE 7104 - Foundations of Database Management Systems

CSE 7105 - Foundations of Operating Systems  
CSE 7106 - Foundations of Networks and Distributed Systems

These courses are 1 credit hour each, are offered pass-fail and do not count toward the 30 hour degree requirement. The grade for the course will be based on several assignments and a final examination.

## Residency and Level Requirements

A minimum of 30 graduate credit hours must be earned toward an M.S. degree, of which at least 24 must be earned in residency at SMU. Up to six credit hours may be transferred with departmental approval. Of the 30 credit hours needed for graduation, at least six credit hours must be at the 8000-level CSE courses, with the remainder at the 7000 level or above.

## Software Engineering, M.S.

Software engineering is the computer science discipline concerned with developing large applications. Software engineering covers not only the technical aspects of building software systems, but also management issues.

The SMU master's degree program in software engineering offers a balanced approach to management issues, such as directing programming teams, scheduling and budgeting, and technical expertise necessary to succeed in this critically important field. Many of the courses are based upon those proposed by the Software Engineering Institute, specifically founded by the Department of Defense to assist in the development of a sound foundation for this rapidly emerging field. Centering on the problems of working professionals in this field, the SMU program in software engineering serves the needs of both the full-time and part-time student.

## Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following:

1. A bachelor's degree in one of the quantitative sciences, mathematics or computer science, or in one of the engineering disciplines.
2. A minimum of one year of college-level calculus.
3. A minimum of two years of experience in software development and/or maintenance, or submission of official GRE graduate school admission test scores.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following: 30 credit hours of coursework consisting of 12 credit hours of core courses and 18 credit hours of electives as follows:

### Core Courses

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum encompassing four courses:

- CSE 7314 - Software Testing and Quality Assurance
- CSE 7315 - Software Project Planning and Management
- CSE 7316 - Software Requirements
- CSE 7319 - Software Architecture and Design

## Advanced Elective Courses

Satisfactory completion of three advanced elective courses from the following:

- CSE 7111 - Intellectual Property and Information Technology
- CSE 7340 - Service-Oriented Computing
- CSE 7345 - Advanced Application Programming
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- CSE 8312 - Software Generation and Maintenance
- CSE 8313 - Object-Oriented Analysis and Design
- CSE 8314 - Software Metrics and Quality Engineering
- CSE 8315 - Software Acquisition, Legal, and Economic Issues
- CSE 8316 - User Interface Design
- CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety
- CSE 8340 - Advanced Topics in Software Engineering

## Elective Courses

Satisfactory completion of three elective courses from available graduate-level course offerings.

## Note

Any deviation from the stated requirements must be approved in writing from the student's adviser and department chair.

## Additional Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

- Either 24 credit hours of coursework and a master's thesis or 30 credit hours of coursework.
- Twelve credit hours of core courses. Students on campus are required to register for a seminar course (for zero credit hours) for at least one term and secure a grade of Pass.
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  - CSE 7105 - Foundations of Operating Systems
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## Residency and Level Requirements

A minimum of 30 graduate credit hours must be earned toward an M.S. degree, of which at least 24 must be earned in residency at SMU. Up to six credit hours may be transferred with departmental approval. Of the 30 credit hours needed for graduation, at least six credit hours must be at the 8000-level CSE courses, with the remainder at the 7000 level or above.

## **Computer Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

## Overview

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business offer a two-year, dual-degree in Master of Science in Engineering (with one of the specific degrees listed above) and Master of Business Administration, with as few as 68 semester credit hours. The program is intended for full-time graduate students with Bachelor degrees in engineering or science. The program is offered on-campus although some of the engineering courses may be taken by means of the Lyle School's distance learning facilities. This program is geared toward recent graduates as well as early-career professionals employed in the engineering and technology sector who desire to broaden and deepen their skills to further their career opportunities and become leaders in technology with the appropriate business and management acumen.

This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two

degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

### Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

#### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

## Summer Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Fall Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Computer Science/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

## **Overview**

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This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## **Admission Requirements**

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

### Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

### Summer Term (Cox School)

#### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

#### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Fall Term (Cox School)

#### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)



## Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Software Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

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fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

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The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

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- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

#### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

#### Summer Term (Cox School)

##### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I

- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

#### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

#### Fall Term (Cox School)

##### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

##### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

#### Spring Term (Cox School)

##### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

##### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## Courses:

### **CSE 7049 - Master's Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

Full-time status for students in the master's program.

### **CSE 7096 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

### **CSE 7101 - Foundations of Computer Architecture**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in computer architecture for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include the von Neumann architecture, digital logic design, processors, primary and secondary storage, instructions, pipelining, cache, and the memory hierarchy. The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

### **CSE 7102 - Foundations of Programming Languages**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in programming languages for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include interpreted vs. compiled languages, object-oriented vs. functional programming, static vs. dynamic typing, regular expressions, context free grammars, and the role of the stack and heap in programming language implementations. The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

### **CSE 7103 - Foundations of Data Structures and Algorithms**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in data structures and algorithms for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include hashing, linked-lists, sorting and searching, dynamic arrays, and big-O analysis. The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

### **CSE 7104 - Foundations of Database Management Systems**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in database management for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include the entity-relationship model, working with primary and secondary keys, relational database normalization, and the Structured Query Language (SQL). The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

### **CSE 7105 - Foundations of Operating Systems**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in operating systems and concurrency for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include memory management, paging, processes and threads, locks, deadlock, and concurrency. The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

## **CSE 7106 - Foundations of Networks and Distributed Systems**

*Credits: 1*

Provides a foundation in operating systems and concurrency for students interested in taking graduate level courses in computer science. Topics include network protocols, the OSI and TCP/IP reference models, the architecture of the Web, and network security. The course is intended as articulation for the M.S. degree in computer science.

## **CSE 7111 - Intellectual Property and Information Technology**

*Credits: 1*

Presents fundamentals in the nature, protection, and fair use of intellectual property. Covers patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, and antitrust principles, with an emphasis on the Internet, software, databases, and digital transmission technologies. Investigates the open source and creative commons alternatives for disseminating intellectual property. Examines the engineer's, scientist's, manager's, and creative artist's professional and ethical responsibilities and opportunities regarding intellectual property. Also investigates the rapid change in types and uses of intellectual property spawned by computers, digital media, e-commerce, and biotechnology. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and a general understanding of software and digital information systems.

## **CSE 7190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7191 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7192 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7193 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7194 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7196 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CSE 7290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7291 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7292 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7293 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7294 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7296 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CSE 7312 - Software Systems Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on the engineering of complex systems that have a strong software component. For such systems, software often assumes functions previously allocated to mechanical and electrical subsystems, changing the way systems engineers must think about classical systems issues. Provides a framework for addressing systems engineering issues by focusing on the Software Engineering Institute's Capability Maturity Model. Topics include deriving and allocating requirements, system and software architectures, integration, interface management, configuration management, quality, verification and validation, reliability, and risk.

## **CSE 7313 - Software Configuration Management**

*Credits: 3*

Successful software development and maintenance requires an understanding and application of many activities and functions throughout the software engineering process. One of the key areas is software configuration management. Students explore the principles and practices of the software configuration management function and mandatory role, including how CM is defined, planned, implemented, and measured over the life cycle of any development or maintenance project. Focuses on understanding

specific roles of project team members and the tasks they plan and execute: managers who must support the CM efforts; project managers who must plan and design the CM system for their projects; those who implement the system; those who manage and administer the system; and the testers, engineers, and quality assurance personnel who are affected by the system.

## **CSE 7314 - Software Testing and Quality Assurance**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the relationship of software testing to quality, with emphasis on testing techniques and the role of testing in the validation of system requirements. Topics include module and unit testing, integration, code inspection, peer reviews, verification and validation, statistical testing methods, preventing and detecting errors, selecting and implementing project metrics, and defining test plans and strategies that map to system requirements. Testing principles, formal models of testing, performance monitoring, and measurement also are examined.

## **CSE 7315 - Software Project Planning and Management**

*Credits: 3*

Addresses the issues associated with the successful management of a software development project, including planning, scheduling, tracking, and cost and size estimating. Also, risk management, configuration, management quality, and engineering and process improvement. The course is centered on the concept of a software engineering process. Includes discussion of life cycle models for software development, and the SEI's Capability Maturity Model software process and other process standards.

## **CSE 7316 - Software Requirements**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on defining and specifying software requirements that can be used as the basis for designing and testing software. Topics include use-cases for describing system behavior, formal methods, specifying functional versus nonfunctional requirements, and the relationship of requirements to software testing.

## **CSE 7317 - Leadership for Architecting Software Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Principles of leadership and software architecture in building large software systems or leading large teams. Involves a mix of personal assessment, reflection, and the development of leadership and influence skills and concepts unique to each student. Examines the process of developing large software systems in a constantly changing commercial environment.

## **CSE 7319 - Software Architecture and Design**

*Credits: 3*

Successful software development requires both an understanding of software design principles and a broader understanding of software architectures that provide a framework for design. The course explores the role of design in the software life cycle, including different approaches to design, design trade-offs, and the use of design patterns in modeling object-oriented solutions. Focuses on important aspects of a system's architecture, including the division of functions among system modules, synchronization, asynchronous and synchronous messaging, interfaces, and the representation of shared information.

## **CSE 7320 - Artificial Intelligence**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces basic principles and current research topics in artificial intelligence. Includes the formal representation of real-world problems; the search of problem spaces for solutions; and the deduction of knowledge in terms of predicate logic, nonmonotonic reasoning, and fuzzy sets. Also, the application of these methods to important areas of artificial intelligence, including expert

systems, planning, language understanding, machine learning, neural networks, computer vision, and robotics. Prerequisites: CSE 2341, 3342.

## **CSE 7323 - Mobile Applications for Sensing and Learning**

*Credits: 3*

Equips students with the practical skills necessary to develop mobile applications that take advantage of the myriad sensing and control capabilities of modern smartphones. Focuses on interfacing with phone hardware, efficient computing on the phone and in the cloud using virtualized servers, and efficient analysis of the peripheral sensor streams of today's smartphones. Students integrate real-time control and/or automation using a third-party hardware platform to interface with the mobile platform.

## **CSE 7324 - Machine Learning in Python**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces the processes of learning from data. Provides an overview of a number of machine learning techniques, including pre-processing, visualization, classification, and regression, used in analytics. Covers classic and contemporary learning techniques, with emphasis on artificial neural networks and deep learning methods. Material covered will be reinforced through hands-on experience using state-of-the-art tools. Class examples and assignments will come from the programming language Python. Knowledge of linear algebra, calculus, introductory algorithm analysis, statistics/probability, and an introduction to python programming is suggested.

## **CSE 7330 - File Organization and Database Management**

*Credits: 3*

A survey of current database approaches and systems, and the principles of design and use of these systems. Covers query language design and implementation constraints, and applications of large databases. Includes a survey of file structures and access techniques. Also, the use of a relational database management system to implement a database design project. Prerequisite: CSE 2341.

## **CSE 7331 - An Introduction to Data Mining and Related Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces data mining topics, with an emphasis on understanding concepts through an applied, hands-on approach. Includes other related topics such as data warehousing and dimensional modeling. All material covered is reinforced through hands-on implementation exercises. Prerequisite: CSE 2341.

## **CSE 7333 - Quantifying the World**

*Credits: 3*

In the global information age, data can be leveraged to rapidly answer previously unanswerable questions. Students explore how to make sense of the large amounts of data frequently available, from hypothesis formation and data collection to methods of analysis and visualization. Includes ways to set up Internet-level measurements and formulate testable hypotheses; ways to automatically gather, store, and query large datasets; and ways to apply statistical methods (descriptive and predictive) and information visualization to collected datasets. Students learn to use Python and R programming languages to carry out data collection, analysis, and visualization. Culminates in a final project using real data of the students' choosing.

## **CSE 7337 - Information Retrieval and Web Search**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces the field of information retrieval, with an emphasis on its application in Web search. Also introduces the basic concepts of stemming, tokenizing and inverted indices, text similarity metrics, and the vector-space model. Students study



popular Web search engines and apply the concepts in several Java-based projects. Prerequisite: CSE 3353 or permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7338 - Security Economics**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces economics as a tool for understanding and managing information security. Reviews key information security challenges and technologies in order to reason about the topics economically. Students are introduced to techniques of analytic and empirical modeling. Economic concepts reviewed include rationality, markets, and information. Presents models and metrics of security investment, along with cost-benefit analysis techniques, and techniques for empirical investigation and measurement of cybercrime. Security games are designed to capture the strategic interaction between defenders, as well as between attacker and defenders. Implications for public policy are discussed.

## **CSE 7339 - Computer System Security**

*Credits: 3*

Investigates a broad selection of contemporary issues in computer security, including an assessment of state-of-the-art technology used to address security problems. Includes sources for computer security threats and appropriate reactions, basic encryption and decryption, secure encryption systems, program security, trusted operating systems, database security, network and distributed systems security, administering security, and legal and ethical issues. Prerequisite: CSE 5343 or equivalent.

## **CSE 7340 - Service-Oriented Computing**

*Credits: 3*

SOC is the computing paradigm that utilizes services as fundamental elements for developing applications. Service providers expose capabilities through interfaces. Service-oriented architecture maps these capabilities and interfaces so they can be orchestrated into processes. Fundamental to the service model is the separation between the interface and the implementation, such that the invoker of a service need only (and should only) understand the interface; the implementation can evolve over time, without disturbing the clients of the service. Topics include Web architecture, HTTP, XML, SOAP, REST, and BPEL. Also, developing interfaces that connect to independent services. The course will be of interest to those interested in creating and/or aggregating Web services and developing user interfaces for the display of those services. Prerequisites: Programming experience and senior or graduate standing.

## **CSE 7341 - Compiler Construction**

*Credits: 3*

Reviews programming language structures, loading, execution, and storage allocation; the compilation of simple expressions and statements; and the organization of a compiler, including compile-time and run-time symbol tables, lexical analysis, syntax analysis, code generation, error diagnostics, and simple code optimization techniques. Also, the use of a recursive high-level language to implement a complete compiler. Prerequisites: CSE 2341, 3342.

## **CSE 7342 - Concepts of Language Theory and Their Applications**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to formal languages and their relation to automata, and to denotational and operational semantics. Also, applications of formal semantics to the design and specification of programming languages and programming language processors, including computer architectures. Includes the predicate calculus, logic programming, and axiomatic semantics, as well as the application of axiomatic semantics to the verification of programs. Prerequisite: CSE 3342 or permission of the instructor.

## **CSE 7343 - Operating Systems and System Software**

*Credits: 3*

Theoretical and practical aspects of operating systems, including an overview of system software, time-sharing, and multiprogramming operating systems. Also, network operating systems and the Internet, virtual memory management, interprocess communication and synchronization, file organization, and case studies. Prerequisite: CSE 2341.

## **CSE 7344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems II**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to network protocols, layered communication architecture, multimedia applications and protocols, QoS, congestion control, optical networks, DWDM, network survivability and provisioning, and wireless networks. Includes an interdisciplinary project requiring the use of currently available network design and simulation tools. Prerequisite: C- or better in CSE 4344.

## **CSE 7345 - Advanced Application Programming**

*Credits: 3*

Covers advanced programming techniques that span a range of programming languages and technologies. Topics include server-side application development, client graphical user interface implementation, application frameworks, design patterns, model-based development, and multithreading. The specific programming language or languages covered may vary from term to term. Prerequisite: CSE 3345 or consent of instructor.

## **CSE 7346 - Cloud Computing**

*Credits: 3*

Explores architectures for cloud computing, and provides hands-on experience with virtualization technologies. Topics include cloud computing architectures such as infrastructure as a service, platform as a service, and software as a service. Covers programming models for cloud computing, the fundamentals of virtualization technologies that enable scalability, and an introduction to the security and energy efficiency challenges of cloud computing.

## **CSE 7347 - XML and the Enterprise**

*Credits: 3*

XML, the Extensible Markup Language, is widely used to define vocabularies for a wide range of applications, including software configuration, data exchange, and Web-based protocols. This course provides a detailed examination of XML as an enterprise technology. Focuses on APIs, interfaces, and standards that are driving this technology, including DTDs and XML Schema to structure XML data, XSLT to transform XML, XML protocols for distributed computing, and XML security initiatives. Students gain a broad understanding of XML and the technical issues and trade-offs among different alternatives for processing XML. Prerequisites: An understanding of object-oriented concepts and familiarity with Java and/or C++.

## **CSE 7348 - Internetworking Protocols and Programming**

*Credits: 3*

Processing and interprocess communications, UNIX domain sockets, fundamentals of TCP/IP, Internet domain sockets, packet routing and filtering and firewall, SNMP and network management, client-server model and software design, remote procedure call (XDR, RPC, DCE), design of servers and clients, networking protocols for the World Wide Web, and internetworking over new networking technologies. Prerequisites: CSE 7343 and C programming.

## **CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security**

*Credits: 3*

Covers conventional and state-of-the-art methods for achieving data and network security. Private key and public key encryption approaches are discussed in detail, with coverage of popular algorithms such as DES, Blowfish, and RSA. In the network security area, the course covers authentication protocols, IP security, Web security, and system-level security. Prerequisites: CSE 7339 or equivalent, with instructor permission.

## **CSE 7350 - Algorithm Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Covers algorithm design techniques; methods for evaluating algorithm efficiency; data structure specification and implementation; and applications to fundamental computational problems in sorting and selection, graphs and networks, scheduling and combinatorial optimization, computational geometry, and arithmetic and matrix computation. Also, introduction to parallel algorithms and to computational complexity and a survey of NP-complete problems. Prerequisites: CSE 2341, 3353 (for non-CSE graduate students: CSE 2341).

## **CSE 7356 - VLSI Design and Laboratory**

*Credits: 3*

Explores the design aspects involved in the realization of CMOS integrated circuits from device up to the register/subsystem level. Addresses major design methodologies with emphasis placed on structured, full-custom design. Also, the MOS device, CMOS inverter static characteristics, CMOS inverter dynamic characteristics, CMOS transistor fabrication technology, combination logic circuit, alternative static logic circuit, sequential logic circuit, dynamic logic circuit, propagation delay and interconnect, power dissipation and design for low power, memory device (DRAM/SRAM/ROM), ESD protection, packaging, testing, and VLSI design flow. Students use state-of-the-art CAD tools to verify designs and develop efficient circuit layouts. Prerequisites: C- or better in EE 2181, 2381, 3311.

## **CSE 7359 - Software Security**

*Credits: 3*

As software is delivered across network and Web-based environments, security is critical to successful software deployment. This course focuses on software security issues that pertain to the network application layer in the classic OSI model. At the application network layer, issues related to encryption, validation, and authentication are handled programmatically rather than at the network level. Students work with APIs for cryptography, digital signatures, and third-party certificate authorities. The course also explores issues related to XML and Web services security by examining standards and technologies for securing data and programs across collaborative networks. Prerequisite: C- or better in CSE 7339.

## **CSE 7365 - Introduction to Numerical Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Covers numerical solution of linear and nonlinear equations, interpolation and approximation of functions, numerical integration, floating-point arithmetic, and the numerical solution of initial value problems in ordinary differential equations. Emphasizes student use of the computer. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or grades of C- or higher in MATH 3315/CSE 3365 and MATH 2343. Graduate students who have doubts about their preparedness for this course should consult the course instructor before enrolling.

## **CSE 7369 - Hardware Security and Trojan Detection**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces several contemporary topics in hardware security, with a particular emphasis on hardware Trojans. Other topics

include physically unclonable functions, the problem of counterfeiting, security implications of design for testability in hardware, intellectual property protection, and secure coprocessors and smart cards.

## **CSE 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to fundamentals of probability, probability distributions, and statistical techniques used by engineers and physical scientists. Topics include basic concepts and rules of probability, random variables, probability distributions, expectation and variance, sampling and sampling distributions, statistical analysis techniques, statistical inference estimation and tests of hypothesis, correlation and regression, and analysis of variance. Prerequisite: Knowledge of calculus required.

## **CSE 7376 - Introduction to Telecommunications**

*Credits: 3*

Overview of public and private telecommunications systems, traffic engineering, switching, transmission, and signaling. Also, channel capacity, media characteristics, Fourier analysis and harmonics, modulation, electromagnetic wave propagation and antennas, modems and interfaces, digital transmission systems, TI carriers, digital microwave, satellites, fiber optics and SONET, and Integrated Services Digital Networks.

## **CSE 7380 - VLSI Algorithms**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces problems, algorithms, and optimization techniques used in the design of high-performance VLSI design. Emphasis on algorithms for partitioning, placement, floor planning, wire routing, and layout compaction. Prerequisites: C- or better in CSE 3353, 3381.

## **CSE 7381 - Computer Architecture**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces the state of the art in uniprocessor computer architecture, with a focus on the quantitative analysis and cost-performance trade-offs in instruction set, pipeline, and memory design. Topics include quantitative analysis of performance and hardware costs, instruction set design, pipeline, delayed branch, memory organization, and advanced instruction-level parallelism. Prerequisite: C- or better in CSE 4381.

## **CSE 7382 - Computer Graphics**

*Credits: 3*

Hardware and software components of computer graphics systems: display files, 2-D and 3-D transformations, clipping and windowing, perspective, hidden-line elimination and shaping, interactive graphics, and applications. Prerequisite: C- or better in CSE 3353.

## **CSE 7385 - Microcontroller Architecture and Interfacing**

*Credits: 3*

Emphasizes the design of embedded systems using microcontrollers. Briefly reviews microcontroller architecture. Includes hierarchical memory systems and interfacing of memory and peripherals, industry standard bus interfaces and other applicable standards, and topics in real-time operating systems and system-level design considerations. The corequisite laboratory requires students to develop software using assembler and high-level languages. Prerequisite: CSE 3381 or EE 3181, 3381.

## **CSE 7387 - Digital Systems Design**

*Credits: 3*

Modern topics in digital systems design, including the use of HDLs for circuit specification and automated synthesis tools for realization. Programmable logic devices are emphasized and used throughout the course. The course has heavy laboratory assignment content and a design project. Prerequisite: C- or better in CSE 3381.

## **CSE 7390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7394 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CSE 7696 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **CSE 8049 - Ph.D. Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

Full-time status for students in the Ph.D. program.

## **CSE 8091 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

## **CSE 8092 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

## **CSE 8095 - Independent Study**

*Credits: 0*

## **CSE 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **CSE 8098 - Computer Science Seminars**

*Credits: 0*

Seminars and colloquia in various specialized and general topics in computer science, given by the resident faculty and invited guests.

## **CSE 8190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8191 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected advanced topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8192 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected advanced topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8193 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8194 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 1*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8195 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 1*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **CSE 8290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

## **CSE 8291 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected advanced topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8292 - Graduate Seminar**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected advanced topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8293 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8294 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 2*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8295 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 2*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor.  
Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8296 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **CSE 8312 - Software Generation and Maintenance**

*Credits: 3*

Examines techniques for generating software and maintaining revisions to existing software. Topics include alternatives to coding, the use of program generators and very high-level languages, CASE tools, component reuse, and the role of standards in the generation of software. Also, issues related to maintenance as a part of software evolution, the impact of the design process on long-term software maintainability, software re-engineering, and the planning of release cycles.

## **CSE 8313 - Object-Oriented Analysis and Design**

*Credits: 3*

Object-oriented analysis and design is essential in developing high-quality object-oriented systems. Provides an overview of object-oriented analysis and design by integrating the work of Booch, Rumbaugh, Jacobson, and Wirfs-Brock. Topics include use-case analysis, responsibility-driven design, object modeling, entity-relationship modeling, and the design notation of the Unified Modeling Language. Also, object-oriented class libraries, object-oriented databases, and the Common Object Request Broker Architecture.

## **CSE 8314 - Software Metrics and Quality Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Addresses techniques of software quality engineering, with emphasis on the role of metrics. Draws from practical experience and uses many examples from industry. Includes the psychological and behavioral aspects of quality and quality assurance. Metrics and quality are presented in relationship to the software process and software process maturity models. Selection of quality metrics is addressed in terms of the goal-question-metric paradigm as well as various quality models. Also, methods of storing data for historical purposes, analyzing data, and presenting data to others.

## **CSE 8315 - Software Acquisition, Legal, and Economic Issues**

*Credits: 3*

Examines issues relating to software procurement, contract law, and specification and control of product processes. Topics include factors that affect cost, cost estimation, cost-benefit analysis, risk analysis, and legal implications with respect to ownership and use. Covers techniques and models of cost estimation in detail.

## **CSE 8316 - User Interface Design**

*Credits: 3*

Design methodologies for user interfaces. Includes life cycles for UI development, human factors issues, prototyping, user



analysis and evaluation, and design techniques. Students perform the analysis, design, and evaluation of a UI through two iterations.

## **CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety**

*Credits: 3*

In-depth study of techniques for ensuring software reliability and safety. Topics include software reliability engineering, software safety engineering, and recent developments in those areas. Reliability concepts applied to the software domain and safety concepts applied to computer-intensive systems will be discussed. Specific techniques such as software reliability models and analysis methods, operational profiles, safety and hazard analysis using fault trees and event trees, and formal verification for safety-critical software systems will be covered.

## **CSE 8320 - Knowledge-Intensive Problem-Solving**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on higher-level artificial intelligence techniques for problem-solving guided by domain-specific knowledge. Topics include the use of planning systems, heuristic rule-based systems, model-based systems, learning networks, and semantic technologies. Prerequisite: CSE 7320.

## **CSE 8321 - Machine Learning and Neural Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to the principles and motivation behind forms of machine learning with emphasis on neural networks. Survey of important topics and current areas of research, including the use of deep learning for training massive networks. Prerequisite: CSE 7320 or CSE 7331, or permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8322 - Natural Language Processing and Internet Applications**

*Credits: 3*

This course covers state-of-the-art methods for natural language processing. After an introduction to the basics of syntax, semantic, and discourse analysis, the focus shifts to the integration of these modules into complex natural-language processing systems. In addition to natural language understanding, the course presents advanced material on lexical knowledge acquisition, natural language generation, machine translation, and parallel processing of natural language. Prerequisite: CSE 7320.

## **CSE 8325 - Logic Programming**

*Credits: 3*

Explores logic-based computing and logic programming. Introduces fundamentals of logic programming and covers basic techniques for solving problems in Prolog, including nondeterministic programming, incomplete data structures, definite clause grammars, and meta interpreters. Examines implementation of a logic programming system as a generalization of both traditional programming language systems and traditional databases. Prerequisites: 2341, 3342.

## **CSE 8330 - Database Management Systems**

*Credits: 3*

An extensive investigation of distributed databases and implementation issues. Included are design, data replication, concurrency control, and recovery. Implementation project included. Prerequisite: CSE 7330.

## **CSE 8331 - Advanced Data Mining**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a review of several data mining topics and an in-depth technical discussion of advanced data mining techniques. In addition, research methods applied in the field will be studied. Prerequisite: CSE 7331.

## **CSE 8337 - Information Storage and Retrieval**

*Credits: 3*

Examination of techniques used to store and retrieve unformatted/textual data. Examination of current research topics of data mining, data warehousing, digital libraries, hypertext, and multimedia data. Prerequisite: CSE 7330.

## **CSE 8340 - Advanced Topics in Software Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

In-depth study of specific topics in software engineering techniques, methodologies, and issues. Topics will change from term to term and will include advanced software reliability models, software development process models, advanced object-oriented design, and cleanroom software engineering.

## **CSE 8343 - Advanced Operating Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Theoretical and practical aspects of operating system design, implementation, system organization, and resource management. The emphasis is on distributed operating systems and advanced research issues. Prerequisite: CSE 7343.

## **CSE 8344 - Computer Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Fundamentals of computer communications networks. Introduction to computer networking elements, communications architectures and protocols. Case studies. Design and analysis of computer networks: topology, LAN/MAN technology network interface, LAN/MAN performance internetworking, and network management. Prerequisite: CSE 7344.

## **CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security**

*Credits: 3*

In-depth analysis of secure networks and systems, security audit, intrusion detection and prevention, storage security, firewall configurations, security log analysis, DMZs, honeypots, malicious codes, and mobile and grid computing security. Prerequisite: CSE 7349.

## **CSE 8350 - Algorithms II**

*Credits: 3*

Analysis of dynamic data structures, lower bound theory, problem equivalence and reducibility, complexity theory, probabilistic algorithms, machine models of sequential and parallel computation, parallel algorithms. Prerequisite: CSE 7350.

## **CSE 8351 - Computer Arithmetic**

*Credits: 3*

Number representation and algorithms for arithmetic unit design; redundant radix representation; highly parallel add, multiply, divide, and square root algorithms; IEEE floating-point standard; directed roundings; base conversion; VLSI floating-point units;

vector and matrix arithmetic; residue arithmetic; rational arithmetic; and online arithmetic. Prerequisite: Knowledge of computer organization, data structures, and algorithms, as taught in CSE 2341.

## **CSE 8352 - Cryptography and Data Security**

*Credits: 3*

Cryptography is the study of mathematical systems for solving two kinds of security problems on public channels: privacy and authentication. Covers the theory and practice of both classical and modern cryptographic systems. The fundamental issues involved in the analysis and design of a modern cryptographic system will be identified or studied. Prerequisite: EE/STAT/CSE 4340 or equivalent.

## **CSE 8353 - Digital Forensics**

*Credits: 3*

Collection and analysis of evidence from electronic storage media or active systems. Methods to preserve, document, and present evidence in a court of law.

## **CSE 8355 - Graph Theory: Algorithms and Applications**

*Credits: 3*

Development of algorithmic and computational aspects of graph theory, with application of concepts and techniques to solving problems of: connectivity, set covering, scheduling, shortest paths, traveling salesmen, network flow, matching, and assignment. Prerequisite: CSE 7350 or permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8356 - Border and Transportation Security**

*Credits: 3*

Legal, political, and economic challenges of border and transportation security. Specific technologies include power solutions, wireless communications, sensor networks, sensing devices, screening devices, image acquisition, and image processing.

## **CSE 8359 - Advanced Software Security**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced software security architectural patterns, software reverse engineering, and malware analysis. Advanced software exploitation techniques including shell coding, return-oriented programming, ASLR, and DEP bypassing. Advanced Web application security and secure coding principles/practices. Security testing techniques, fuzzing, operating system security, and root kits. Prerequisite: CSE 5359, or CSE 7359, or equivalent.

## **CSE 8375 - Coding Theory and Applications**

*Credits: 3*

Information theory concepts: measure of information, mutual information, entropy. Algebra: groups, rings, finite fields, algebra of polynomials. Algebraic codes: linear codes, cyclic codes, BCH codes. Fire codes: encoding/decoding logic. Arithmetic codes: AN codes, separate adder and checker. Applications to computer systems. Prerequisites: Elementary probability concepts and digital logic circuits.

## **CSE 8377 - Fault-Tolerant Computing**

*Credits: 3*

Faults, errors and failures, hardware fault tolerance, reliability, availability, reliable distributed systems, checkpointing and

recovery, atomic actions data and process resiliency, software fault tolerance, and case studies. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

## **CSE 8380 - Parallel and Distributed Processing**

*Credits: 3*

Parallel and distributed processing is a fast-growing technology that permeates many aspects of computer science and engineering. This course emphasizes the strong interaction between parallel and distributed algorithms, architectures, and software. Topics include parallelism analysis in numeric and non-numeric algorithms, array processors, associative processors, multiprocessors, marker-propagation networks, distributed operating systems, networks of workstations, Internet computing, and case studies. Prerequisites: Computer architecture and a high-level programming language.

## **CSE 8381 - Quantum Logic and Computing**

*Credits: 3*

Survey of quantum logic and quantum computing from the viewpoint of a computer engineer or computer scientist. Focuses on issues in reversible computation, quantum information modeling, quantum logic circuit design, models of quantum computation, and quantum computer algorithms. Also surveys existing and emerging circuit models used to implement quantum logic circuits. Introduces principles of quantum mechanics as related to quantum computation. Prerequisite: CSE 7381 or CSE 7385, or EE 7381 or EE 7385, or consent of instructor.

## **CSE 8383 - Advanced Computer Architecture**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced topics in computer architecture and parallel processing. Prerequisite: CSE 7381.

## **CSE 8386 - Testing of VLSI Circuits**

*Credits: 3*

The objective of testing is to verify that the manufactured custom chips function correctly according to their specifications. Testing process includes fault modeling, mainly automated simulation, test pattern generation, and testable and self-testing design synthesizing. Structured chips such as memories, PLAs, and FPGAs are also tested for correctness. The course surveys the state-of-the-art test approaches used in industry and in other research environments. Prerequisite: Digital logic design, data structures, and algorithms.

## **CSE 8387 - Switching Theory and Applications in VLSI Cad**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced topics in switching theory and electronic design automation methods. Emphasizes the underlying theory and algorithms of EDA tools and their application. Particular emphasis on the representation and properties of discrete mathematics and synthesis, verification, and simulation problems. Includes binary and multiple-valued logic models that are targeted to conventional and emerging technologies, as well as optimization techniques for cost, performance, low power, and other constraints. Recommended: Experience in the use of HDLs and algorithm development and implementation.

## **CSE 8388 - Embedded Computing System Design**

*Credits: 3*

Embedded systems are generally part of complex systems. An embedded system carries out the computational subtasks of the main system. The computing systems within home appliances and automobiles are examples of such systems. This course will cover the process of embedded computing system design under, mainly, cost, power, performance and several system-specific restrictions.

## **CSE 8389 - Foundations of Formal Verification and Validation**

*Credits: 3*

Detecting and correcting integrated circuit design errors before device fabrication is an increasingly complex and costly problem. This course surveys common approaches for formal methods used in industry and in other research environments. Emphasizes trade-offs between formal methods and validation techniques and the use of commercial state-of-the-art software tools. Includes equivalence checking, model checking, theorem proving, and advanced topics in validation and simulation. Introduces the application of formal methods in other areas. Prerequisite: Knowledge of programming languages, data structures, advanced digital logic design, and computer architecture, or consent of instructor.

## **CSE 8390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected advanced topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **CSE 8393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8394 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8395 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **CSE 8490 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8491 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

## **CSE 8492 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

## **CSE 8493 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8494 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 4*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor.  
Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8495 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 4*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science approved by the department chair and by the major professor.  
Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8496 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 4*

## **CSE 8596 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 5*

## **CSE 8693 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 6*

Special and intensive study of selective topics in computer science or computer engineering aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

## **CSE 8694 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 6*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science or computer engineering approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8695 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 6*

Independent investigation of topics in computer science or computer engineering approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

## **CSE 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **CSE 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, CSE 8396 and CSE 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

# Data Science

**Associate Professor** Daniel W. Engels, **Co-executive Director**

**Professor:** Ira Greenberg

**Associate Professor:** Daniel W. Engels

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**Clinical Professor:** Mark E. Fontenot

The M.S.D.S. degree is an interdisciplinary program that combines courses from SMU's Dedman College, Lyle School of Engineering and Meadows School of the Arts. The program is delivered online to provide access to working professionals and students located around the world. The program gives students who are prospective data scientists an enriched background in computer science, statistics, strategic behavior and data visualization. Graduates will be able to form relevant questions, collect and analyze appropriate data, and make informed decisions regarding the question of interest. Course instruction includes oral and written communication skills and the basics of database structure, including building, maintaining and securing databases. The website ([www.datascience.smu.edu](http://www.datascience.smu.edu)) has additional information, and the academic calendar is at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar) ("Academic Calendars and Course Catalogs" link).

## Admission Requirements

Applicants to the M.S.D.S. program must hold a bachelor's degree in statistics, applied mathematics, computer science, engineering or other quantitative discipline. An application fee is required. Additional requirements are as follows:

- A basic understanding of a programming language (R, JAVA, C++, Python or similar programming language).
- Calculus I and II. Business calculus does not meet this requirement.
- A completed online application, with the following:
  - Three letters of recommendation.
  - A statement of purpose.
  - All official academic transcripts.
  - An official GRE graduate school admission test score, which may be waived if a prospective student has five or more years of industry-related experience or has earned a master's degree in a related field.
- A satisfactory TOEFL English language proficiency test score (minimum 90) is required for an applicant whose native language is not English.

## Data Science, M.S.D.S.

### Degree Requirements

The minimum credit hour requirement for the M.S. in Data Science degree is 33.5 term credit hours. These credit hours include 30 credit hours of coursework, a 2 credit hour capstone two course sequence, and a 1.5 credit hour conference immersion experience. All work attempted for the master's degree must be completed with an overall GPA of 3.000 or better. A grade of D or F obtained by a student will be calculated in his or her overall GPA, but cannot be applied to his or her degree. A student who fails to achieve a minimum 3.000 GPA may be required to take additional courses to bring his or her GPA to 3.000 or better or may be asked to discontinue study in the program. **Note:** Students may have additional expenses related to the capstone and campus immersion courses.



## Requirements for the Degree

### Required Data Science Courses (27 Credit Hours)

- MSDS 6306 - Doing Data Science
- MSDS 6370 - Statistical Sampling
- MSDS 6371 - Statistical Foundations for Data Science
- MSDS 6372 - Applied Statistics: Inference and Modeling
- MSDS 6390 - Visualization of Information
- MSDS 7330 - File Organization and Database Management
- MSDS 7331 - Data Mining
- MSDS 7333 - Quantifying the World
- MSDS 7349 - Data and Network Security

### Data Science Courses (3 Credit Hours)

Choose one:

- MSDS 6391 - Visualization of Information and Creative Coding II
- MSDS 6383 - Econometrics

### Required Capstone Project and Conference Immersion (3.5 Credit Hours)

- MSDS 6110 - Immersion
- MSDS 6120 - Capstone 1A
- MSDS 6130 - Capstone 1B

Total: 33.5 Credit Hours

## Courses:

### **MSDS 6110 - Immersion**

*Credits: 1.5*

A three (plus) day immersion experience on SMU's Dallas campus. Students collaborate on group projects, attend information and networking sessions, and meet program faculty and leadership. Required for M.S. in data science students.

### **MSDS 6120 - Capstone 1A**

*Credits: 1*

Students will spend the first of two consecutive full terms working on a collaborative group project. During the first of the two terms, students will begin their work on the project and are expected to complete at least half the project by the end of the term. Students will develop and work on their projects under faculty supervision.

## **MSDS 6130 - Capstone 1B**

*Credits: 1*

Students will spend the second of two consecutive full terms working on their collaborative group project from Capstone 1A. Students will then be required to present their completed projects during the on-campus immersion, typically held near week 11 of the term.

## **MSDS 6210 - Immersion**

*Credits: 2*

A three (plus) day immersion experience on SMU's Dallas campus. Students collaborate on group projects, attend information and networking sessions, and meet program faculty and leadership. Required for M.S. in data science students.

## **MSDS 6306 - Doing Data Science**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to methods, concepts, and current practice in the growing field of data science, including statistical inference, algorithms, financial modeling, data visualization, social networks, and data engineering. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 6370 - Statistical Sampling**

*Credits: 3*

Covers principles of planning and conducting surveys: simple random sampling; stratified and systematic subsampling; means, variances, and confidence limits; finite population correction; sampling from binomial populations; and margin of error and sample-size determination. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 6371 - Statistical Foundations for Data Science**

*Credits: 3*

Noncalculus development of fundamental statistical techniques, including hypothesis testing for population means and proportions, analysis of variance, factorial designs, and linear regression. Covers obtaining sample sizes during the planning stages of research studies and emphasizes interpretation of results from analysis with SAS statistical software. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 6372 - Applied Statistics: Inference and Modeling**

*Credits: 3*

Extension of techniques taught in MSDS 6371 to multivariate data, including multiple linear regression, multivariate analysis of variance, canonical regression, and principal components analysis. Emphasizes interpretation of results from analysis with SAS. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 6383 - Econometrics**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the practical applications of the use of Data Sciences in the application of Econometrics and Quantitative Finance. Develops a foundation in modern Managerial Economic theory with a focus on application to real world solutions. The primary learning framework is based on utilization of real and simulated data sets for business and economic situations. Students become very familiar with the use of R in the creation of data analysis combining financial theory and statistical analysis including portfolio theory, CAPM, and econometric modeling. Prerequisite: MSDS 7331.

## **MSDS 6390 - Visualization of Information**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces data visualization and creative coding utilizing the Processing programming language. Explores visual and information design principles, primarily through hands-on programming exercises. Includes assignments and exams that incorporate 2-D and 3-D computer graphics, interactivity, and data input. Covers procedural and object-oriented programming approaches to data visualization and provides an overview of leading-edge data visualization libraries and application program interfaces, including Web-based approaches. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 6391 - Visualization of Information and Creative Coding II**

*Credits: 3*

Extends the study of creative coding and visualization across numerous languages, specialized libraries/API's, and distribution platforms. Students build data-driven visualizations in Java, C++, and JavaScript, including the P5.js, three.js, and d3.js libraries. Prerequisite: MSDS 6390.

## **MSDS 7330 - File Organization and Database Management**

*Credits: 3*

A survey of current database approaches and systems, and the principles of design and use of these systems. Covers query language design and implementation constraints, and applications of large databases. Includes a survey of file structures and access techniques. Also, the use of a relational database management system to implement a database design project. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 7331 - Data Mining**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces data mining topics, with an emphasis on understanding concepts through an applied, hands-on approach. Includes other related topics such as data warehousing and dimensional modeling. All material covered is reinforced through hands-on implementation exercises. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 7333 - Quantifying the World**

*Credits: 3*

In the global information age, data can be leveraged to rapidly answer previously unanswerable questions. Students explore how to make sense of the large amounts of data frequently available, from hypothesis formation and data collection to methods of analysis and visualization. Includes ways to set up Internet-level measurements and formulate testable hypotheses; ways to automatically gather, store, and query large datasets; and ways to apply statistical methods (descriptive and predictive) and information visualization to collected datasets. Students learn to use Python and R programming languages to carry out data collection, analysis, and visualization. Culminates in a final project using real data of the students' choosing. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 7346 - Cloud Computing**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces students to exponentially growing Cloud Computing technologies with an emphasis on the fundamental Cloud topics such as Virtualization, IaaS, PaaS, and DevOps. Includes a high-level overview of NoSQL. Covers big data topics such as Hadoop, MapReduce, Pig, Hive, and Spark. Intended to be hands-on with students working with current technologies that make Cloud possible. Prerequisite: MSDS 6306 or instructor permission.

## **MSDS 7349 - Data and Network Security**

*Credits: 3*

Covers conventional and state-of-the-art methods for achieving data and network security. Private key and public key encryption approaches are discussed in detail, with coverage of popular algorithms such as DES, Blowfish, and RSA. In the network security area, the course covers authentication protocols, IP security, Web security, and system-level security. Reserved for students in the M.S.D.S. program.

## **MSDS 8310 - Above and Beyond**

*Credits: 3*

A research oriented, independent study experience. Prerequisite: Permission of the program director.

# Datacenter Systems Engineering

**Professor M. Volkan Otugen, Program Director**

**Professor:** Sukumaran V.S. Nair

**Assistant Professor:** Mohammad Khodayar

**Adjunct Professors:** Bhanu Kapoor, Nomaan Mufti, Nagarjun Sridhar, Rumanda Young

## Datacenter Systems Engineering, M.S.

**Professor M. Volkan Otugen, Program Director**

**Professor:** Sukumaran V.S. Nair. **Assistant Professor:** Mohammad Khodayar. **Senior Lecturer:** Leslie-Ann Asmus. **Adjunct Professors:** Bhanu Kapoor, Rumanda Young, Nagarjun Sridhar.

The purpose of the curriculum is twofold: to impart the necessary breadth and depth of knowledge of datacenter systems engineering needed by professionals preparing to fully participate in leadership roles as either managers or technologists.

Qualified students with undergraduate degrees in engineering, one of the physical sciences or mathematics are required to complete 10 courses (30 credit hours). Students entering the program with an undergraduate degree other than in engineering, one of the physical sciences or mathematics may be asked to articulate the necessary courses.

Students are required to complete the five core courses and three Group I electives (or 9 credit hours) from one or more of the four optional specializations: facilities engineering; data engineering and analytics; networks, virtualization and security; and business specialization.

The two additional Group II electives may be selected with adviser approval from the offerings of the Lyle School of Engineering, Cox School of Business and Dedman College (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics or Statistics departments). The student is responsible for ensuring that the prerequisites for the elective courses have been met.

The core courses, encompassing the activities of the data center, reflect the breadth of the technology as it is conducted in the industry. The Group I course concentrations serve to develop or extend competence in one or more of the technical fields of interest to the student. The Group II electives enable the student to build interests broadly by selecting courses freely from the Lyle School of Engineering or the University as a whole.

## Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following requirements:

1. B.S. in one of the engineering disciplines, computer science, one of the quantitative sciences or mathematics.
2. A minimum of two years of college-level mathematics, including one year of college-level calculus.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following requirements:

1. A total of 30 credit hours with a GPA of at least 3.000.
2. Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum encompassing 15 credit hours (five required courses).
3. Satisfactory completion of nine credit hours from Group I electives.

4. Satisfactory completion of six credit hours from Group II electives.

## Core Courses

- CSE 7346 - Cloud Computing
- CSE 7349 - Data and Network Security
- EE 7301 - Power Management for Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities
- EMIS 7357 - Analytics for Decision Support
  
- CEE 7380 - Management of Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities  
or
- ME 7380 - Management of Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities

## Group I Electives

### Business Specialization

- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis
- RE 6211 - Real Estate Investment

### Facilities Infrastructure Management

- CEE 7325 - Disaster Management
- CEE 7370 - Facility Planning
- CEE 7366 - Introduction to Facilities Engineering Systems
- CEE 7369 - Electrical, Mechanical, and Piping Systems for Buildings
- CEE 7384 - Energy Management for Buildings
- EETS 7307 - Telecommunications for Data Systems Engineering
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- ME 7330 - Heat Transfer
- ME 7336 - Intermediate Fluid Dynamics
- ME 7383/CEE 7383 - Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning
- CEE 7381/ME 7381 - Site Selection for Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities

### Data Engineering and Analytics

- CSE 7330 - File Organization and Database Management
- CSE 7340 - Service-Oriented Computing
- CSE 7347 - XML and the Enterprise
- CSE 8316 - User Interface Design
- CSE 8321 - Machine Learning and Neural Networks
- EMIS 7352 - Information Systems Architecture
- EMIS 7353 - Information System Design Strategies
- EMIS 8331/CSE 8331 - Advanced Data Mining

- EMIS 8337/CSE 8337 - Information Storage and Retrieval

## Networks, Virtualization and Security

- EMIS 7382 - Information Technology Security and Risk Management
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management
- EMIS 8356 - Information Engineering and Global Perspectives
- CSE 7339 - Computer System Security
- CSE 7344 - Computer Networks and Distributed Systems II
- CSE 7359 - Software Security (Virtualization)
- CSE 8343 - Advanced Operating Systems
- CSE 8349 - Advanced Network and System Security
- CSE 8352/EE 8372 - Cryptography and Data Security
- EETS 7304 - Network Protocols
- EETS 8311 - Intelligent Network

## Business Specialization

- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis
- RE 6211 - Real Estate Investment

## Group II Electives

With adviser approval, students may select two courses (or six credit hours) from graduate-level courses offered by the Lyle School of Engineering, Cox School of Business and Dedman College (departments of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics or Statistics).

# Design and Innovation

**Research Professor** Katherine Canales, **Program Director**

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## Design and Innovation, M.A.

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This hands-on, project-based program focuses on skills and processes of creative thinking and problem-solving in a multidisciplinary setting. The degree is grounded in the methodologies of human-centered design, including design research, solution frameworks, idea generation and rapid prototyping. The program involves course-work in theories of design, tools for innovation and project-based design studios focused on real-world design challenges. Additionally, the degree requires coursework in electives outside of Lyle to build cross-disciplinary experiences and knowledge. This degree is for students seeking to become more versatile thinkers regardless of background. The skills and modes of thought acquired through this degree are particularly applicable to future careers in design, engineering, advertising, education, business and the social sciences.

## Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements, candidates are required to hold a bachelor's degree from an institution of standard collegiate rank recognized by the accrediting agencies in whose jurisdiction the college is located or to be in the final year of an accredited bachelor's degree program.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements, candidates must meet the following requirement: satisfactory completion of the following courses with an overall graduate GPA of at least 3.000. Only a few of the advanced elective courses have prerequisites, ensuring that students are able to fulfill program requirements on a reasonable timeline. Students wishing to choose any of the electives below will need to have met all course requirements and prerequisites. Enrollment in free electives will be at the discretion of the academic department where the course is offered and the course instructor. Free electives are designed to allow students to gain specialized skills in the field that they may go on to practice or to pursue a personal passion or interest that will complement their future work.

## Core Courses

- DSIN 7301 - The Context and Impact of Design
- DSIN 7302 - Form and Composition
- DSIN 7303 - Human-Centered Design

Total: 9 Credit Hours



## Design and Innovation Studio Courses

- DSIN 7501 - Design and Innovation Studio I
- DSIN 7502 - Design and Innovation Studio II

Total: 10 Credit Hours

## Advanced Elective Courses

Two from the following:

- ADV 6317 - Consumer Insight and Persuasion
- AMAE 6375 - Social Entrepreneurship: Creating a Movement and Innovating Through Social Good
- ANTH 6305 - Applied Anthropology
- ANTH 6384 - Global Issues and Development: An Overview
  
- ARHS 6356 - Modern Architecture  
or
- 6000-level ARHS course(s) approved by program administrators and the Meadows Art History Department
  
- CEE 8325 - The Sustainable Urban Plan
- CEE 7330 - Design for Sustainability
- CEE 8326 - Sustainable Development
  
- CISB 6222 - Starting a Business (both in the same term, for 4 credit hours)  
and
- CISB 6223 - Early-Stage Valuation and Fund (both in the same term, for 4 credit hours)
  
- CSE 8316 - User Interface Design
- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- ENGR 7390 - Special Topics (Systems Engineering Process)
- ME 7369 - Innovation Management
- ME 7392 - Selected Topics (Special Projects, Rapid Product Realization)

Total: 6-7 Credit Hours

## Free Elective Courses

- Two courses from graduate programs on campus, approved by the student's adviser.

Total: 6 Credit Hours

Total: 31-32 Credit Hours

## **Courses:**

### **DSIN 7301 - The Context and Impact of Design**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on a series of broad cultural topics through a design lens. Includes discussion and exploration of design topics that cut across eras, mediums, and scales. Emphasizes the idea of the intentionality of a design, as situated in its original context, as well as a design's continuing relevance to modern life.

### **DSIN 7302 - Form and Composition**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces 2-D and 3-D design through assignments focused on the process of creating design work and receiving criticism. Includes overall design principles, 2-D graphic design, 3-D form making, and a culminating final assignment to utilize a full repertoire of design skills. Concentrates on design production with brief training on various digital and analog tools. Students do not need to have a design production background to complete the assigned projects. MADI majors only.

### **DSIN 7303 - Human-Centered Design**

*Credits: 3*

A fast-paced, project-based examination of human-centered design, which is a well-established process and set of methods aimed at devising solutions based on people's needs. Explores HCD's foundation in design research that emphasizes primary, contextual research such as interviews, observations, and adapted ethnographic methods, with a focus on empathy for the user and rapid prototyping to quickly express possible solutions. MADI majors only.

### **DSIN 7304 - Building Creative Confidence**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on traditional and nontraditional strategies, tools, and mind-shifts required for creativity. Students develop tactical skills to generate, express, and develop their ideas. Investigates the essential components of successful innovation and ways to overcome cultural and personal blocks against creativity. Work is individually produced.

### **DSIN 7390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **DSIN 7391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **DSIN 7501 - Design and Innovation Studio I**

*Credits: 5*

Students use problem-solving techniques, individually and collectively, to achieve an appropriate design solution in an unscripted and dynamic situation much like a real-life employment scenario. Projects are determined each term dependent on potential partnerships, available resources, and current municipal issues or topical events in the DFW area. Includes practical application of human-centered design processes and skills, as well as problem definition, design research, team collaboration, rapid

prototyping and testing, storytelling, and presentation. Cotaught by a design faculty member and industry expert. Culminates with a public critique of the students' work by faculty and external stakeholders. MADI majors only. Prerequisite: DSIN 7303.

## **DSIN 7502 - Design and Innovation Studio II**

*Credits: 5*

Students use problem-solving techniques, individually and collectively, to achieve an appropriate design solution in an unscripted and dynamic situation much like a real-life employment scenario. Projects are determined each term dependent on potential partnerships, available resources, and current municipal issues or topical events in the DFW area. Includes practical application of human-centered design processes and skills, as well as problem definition, design research, team collaboration, rapid prototyping and testing, storytelling, and presentation. Cotaught by a design faculty member and industry expert. Culminates with a public critique of the students' work by faculty and external stakeholders. MADI majors only. Prerequisite: DSIN 7501.

## **DSIN 7590 - Special Topic**

*Credits: 5*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **DSIN 7591 - Special Topic**

*Credits: 5*

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# Electrical Engineering

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## General Information

### Department Facilities

The Electrical Engineering Department is housed in the Jerry R. Junkins Engineering Building. The building contains teaching classrooms and laboratories, as well as space for faculty offices and the EE department staff and operations.

The department has access to the Lyle School of Engineering academic computing resources, consisting of shared use computer servers and desktop client systems connected to a network backbone. All of the servers in the Lyle School of Engineering are running some variant of UNIX or Microsoft Windows. There is one primary file server that holds 356GB of data and exports files using FNS or CIFS protocols. Each user, whether faculty, staff or student, has a "home" directory on the central file server. This directory is exported to other servers or desktop computers, regardless of operating systems, as needed. There are more than 40 servers with purposes that include file service, UNIX mail, Exchange mail, firewall, UNIX authentication, NT authentication, printer management, lab image download, classroom-specific software, X windows service, news, domain name service, computational resources and general use. This allows the files to be used as a resource in both the UNIX and Microsoft PC environments. Almost all computing equipment within the Lyle School of Engineering is connected to the engineering network at 100 megabits and higher. The network backbone is running at a gigabit per second over fiber. Most servers and all engineering buildings are connected to this gigabit backbone network. The backbone within engineering is connected to both the Internet 2 and the campus network that is then connected to the Internet at large. In addition to servers and shared computational resources, the Lyle School of Engineering maintains a number of individual computing laboratories associated with the engineering departments.

### Instructional and Research Facilities

**Antenna Lab.** This laboratory consists of two facilities for fabrication and testing. Most of the antennas fabricated at the SMU antenna lab are microstrip antennas. Small and less complex antennas are made with milling machines, and a photolithic/chemical etching method is used to make more complex and large antennas. Fabricated antennas are characterized with a Hewlett-Packard 5810B network analyzer. Workstations are available for antenna design and theoretical computation. Radiation characteristics are measured at the Dallas-SMU Antenna Characterization Lab near the University of Texas at Dallas campus.

**Biomedical Engineering Laboratory.** This laboratory contains instrumentation for carrying out research in electrophysiology, psychophysics and medical ultrasound. Four Grass physiographs permit the measurement of electro-encephalograms as well as visual and auditory evoked brain potentials. The lab also contains a state-of-the-art dual Purkinje eye tracker and image stabilizer made by Fourward Technologies Inc., a Vision Research Graphics 21-inch Digital Multisync Monitor for displaying visual stimuli, and a Cambridge Research Systems visual stimulus generator capable of generating a variety of stimuli for use in psychophysical and electro-physiological experiments. Ultrasound data can also be measured with a Physical Acoustics apparatus

consisting of a water tank, radio frequency pulser/receiver and radio frequency data acquisition system. Several PCs are also available for instrumentation control and data acquisition.

**Multimedia Systems Laboratory.** This facility includes an acoustic chamber with adjoining recording studio to allow high-quality sound recordings to be made. The chamber is sound isolating with double- or triple-wall sheet rock on all four sides, as well as an isolating ceiling barrier above the drop ceiling. The walls of the chamber have been constructed to be nonparallel to avoid flutter echo and dominant frequency modes. Acoustic paneling on the walls of the chamber are removable and allow the acoustic reverberation time to be adjusted to simulate different room acoustics. The control room next to the acoustic chamber includes a large, 4-by-8-foot acoustic window and an inert acoustic door facing the acoustic chamber. Up to 16 channels of audio can be carried in or out of the chamber to the control room. Experiments to be conducted in the Multimedia Systems Laboratory include blind source separation, deconvolution and dereverberation. Several of the undergraduate courses in electrical engineering use sound and music to motivate system-level design and signal processing applications. The Multimedia Systems Laboratory can be used in these activities to develop data sets for use in classroom experiments and laboratory projects for students to complete.

**Wireless Systems Laboratory.** This laboratory contains an array of infrastructure for experimentation across a number of wireless frequency bands, platforms and environments for research and instruction in lab-based courses on wireless communications and networking. The infrastructure includes 1) state-of-the-art test equipment for repeatability, control and observability of wireless channels, including complex channel emulators, fixed and mobile spectrum analyzers, wide-band oscilloscopes, and signal generators; 2) a wide range of reprogrammable wireless testbeds that operate from 400 MHz to 6 GHz for IEEE 802.11, cellular, and Bluetooth network and protocol development; and 3) diverse mobile phones and tablets that enable participatory sensing, context-aware applications and large-scale deployment in the field. The in-lab infrastructure is also enhanced by multiple outdoor antennas deployed on campus buildings and buses for understanding real wireless channels.

**Semiconductor Processing Cleanroom.** The 2,800 square-foot cleanroom, consisting of a 2,400 square-foot, Class 10,000 room and a Class 1,000 lithography area of 400 square feet, is located in the Jerry R. Junkins Engineering Building. A partial list of equipment in this laboratory includes acid and solvent hoods, photoresist spinners, two contact mask aligners, a thermal evaporator, a plasma asher, a plasma etcher, a turbo-pumped methane hydrogen reactive ion etcher, a four-target sputtering system, a plasma-enhanced chemical vapor deposition reactor, a diffusion-pumped four pocket e-beam evaporator, an ellipsometer and profilometers. Other equipment includes a boron-trichloride reactive ion etcher, a chemical-assisted ion-beam etcher, and a four-tube diffusion furnace. The cleanroom is capable of processing silicon, compound semiconductors and piezo materials for microelectronic, photonic and nanotechnology devices.

**Submicron Grating Laboratory.** This laboratory is dedicated to holographic grating fabrication and has the capability of sub 10th-micron lines and spaces. Equipment in this laboratory includes a floating air table, an argon ion laser (ultraviolet lines) and an Atomic Force Microscope. This laboratory is used to make photonic devices with periodic features such as distributed feedback, distributed Bragg reflector, and grating-outcoupled and photonic crystal semiconductor lasers.

**Photonic Devices Laboratory.** This laboratory is dedicated to characterizing the optical and electrical properties of photonic devices. Equipment in this laboratory program includes an optical spectrum analyzer, an optical multimeter, visible and infrared cameras, an automated laser characterization system for edge-emitting lasers, a manual probe test system for surface-emitting lasers, a manual probe test system for edge-emitting laser die and bars, and a near- and far-field measurement system.

**Photonics Simulation Laboratory.** This laboratory has specific computer programs that have been developed and continue to be developed for modeling and designing semiconductor lasers and optical waveguides, couplers and switches. These programs include:

- *WAVEGUIDE*: Calculates near-field, far-field and effective indices of dielectric waveguides and semiconductor lasers with up to 500 layers. Each layer can contain gain or loss.
- *GAIN*: Calculates the gain as a function of energy, carrier density and current density for strained and unstrained quantum wells for a variety of material systems.
- *GRATING*: Uses the Floquet Bloch approach and the boundary element method to calculate reflection, transmission and outcoupling of dielectric waveguides and laser structures with any number of layers.
- *FIBER*: Calculates the fields, effective index, group velocity and dispersion for fibers with a circularly symmetric index of refraction profiles.

Additional software is under development to model the modulation characteristics of photonic devices.

**Photonic Architectures Laboratory.** This laboratory is a fully equipped optomechanical and electrical prototyping facility, supporting the activities of faculty and graduate students in experimental and analytical tasks. The lab is ideally suited for the packaging, integration and testing of devices, modules and prototypes of optical systems. It has three large vibration isolated tables, a variety of visible and infrared lasers, single element 1-D and 2-D detector arrays, and a large complement of optical and opto-mechanical components and mounting devices. In addition, the laboratory has extensive data acquisition and analysis equipment, including an IEEE 1394 FireWire-capable image capture and processing workstation, specifically designed to evaluate the electrical and optical characteristics of smart pixel devices and FSOI fiber-optic modules. Support electronics hardware includes various test instrumentation, such as arbitrary waveform generators, and a variety of CAD tools for optical and electronic design, including optical ray trace and finite difference time domain software.

## Graduate Programs

The discipline of electrical engineering is at the core of today's technology-driven society. Personal computers, computer-communications networks, integrated circuits, optical technologies, digital signal processors and wireless communications systems have revolutionized the way people live and work, and extraordinary advances in these fields are announced every day. Because today's society truly is a technological society, graduate education in electrical engineering offers exceptional opportunities for financial security and personal satisfaction.

The Department of Electrical Engineering at SMU offers a full complement of courses at the master's and Ph.D. level in communications, information technology, communication networks, digital signal processing, lasers and optoelectronics, electromagnetics and microwaves, microelectronics, VLSI design, systems and control, and image processing and computer vision. The courses and curriculum are designed and continuously updated to prepare the student for engineering research, design and development at the forefront of these fields.

A professionally oriented master's degree in telecommunications systems is also offered through the Electrical Engineering Department, and courses in the curriculum (designated EETS) prepare the student for leadership roles in telecommunications systems management and planning and for developing new telecommunications products, services and applications.

**Graduate Degrees.** The Electrical Engineering Department offers the following graduate degrees:

### Electrical Engineering, Ph.D.

## Admission Requirements

1. An M.S. degree in electrical engineering or in a closely related discipline from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a minimum GPA 3.000 on a 4.000 scale.
3. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of appropriate application fee.
4. Official GRE graduate school admission test quantitative score of 151 or greater (revised scale).
5. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
6. Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency score before being considered for admission:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

# Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

**Supervisory Committee.** The supervisory committee plays an important role in guiding the student and monitoring his or her progress at all stages of the Ph.D. program. As such, the committee should be constituted as early as possible after the student has begun doctoral work and before he or she has completed the coursework. The committee will be selected by the student in consultation with the dissertation director, who must be a member of the regular (tenure-track) faculty of the Electrical Engineering Department. The committee chair must be a member of the regular faculty of the department and will normally be the dissertation director. The committee must have a minimum of five members of the regular faculty of the University and will consist of at least three faculty members from the Electrical Engineering Department (including the chair and the dissertation director, if different from the chair), as well as one member from each minor field.

**Qualifying Examination.** The qualifying examination for admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree consists of both written and oral parts. The written part will be administered by the Doctoral Program Committee of the Electrical Engineering Department and will normally be scheduled once each fall and spring term on dates to be announced by the committee. The exam must be taken on or before the third scheduled offering after the student begins the Ph.D. program. The exam is based on coursework in the student's major area. A student who desires to take the written exam in any term must file a registration form with the doctoral program committee prior to the deadline specified each term. The student is required to pass the exam in one area to be chosen from the list below:

- Circuits
- Communications
- Digital signal processing
- Electromagnetic theory and optics
- Solid-state devices and materials
- Systems and control

Each exam will be three hours in duration and will typically be closed book. The determination as to whether a student has passed the written exam will be made by the department faculty based on recommendations from the doctoral program committee.

1. A student who does not pass the exam can take it a second time.
2. A student who fails the exam both times will not be permitted to continue in the Ph.D. program.
3. A student who repeats an exam must do so at the earliest possible time after the first attempt.
4. If, after passing the written exam, the student decides to change his or her research area, he or she will be required to pass another written exam in the new area.

The oral qualifying exam will be administered by the student's supervisory committee. The exam will be taken after the student has passed the written exam and has completed most of the required coursework, but no later than one year after completing all coursework. A student who does not meet the deadline must petition the doctoral program committee for permission to take the oral exam.

The main focus of the oral exam will be on the research the student proposes to conduct for his or her dissertation. The student is expected to write up a description of the research problem, the previous results, and the approach or approaches he or she proposes to consider in the investigation. The write-up must be made available to the supervisory committee at least two weeks prior to the scheduled date of the exam, and it should clearly indicate the significance and originality of the research, the proposed approaches and the expected results.

The student will be admitted to candidacy upon passing the oral qualifying exam. A student who does not pass the oral exam may be permitted by the supervisory committee to retake it once. If, after admission to candidacy, the student decides to change his or her research area, he or she will be required to take the qualifying exam again and be readmitted to candidacy before being permitted to complete the dissertation.

**Final Examination.** Upon completion of all other requirements, the student is required to take a final examination conducted by his or her supervisory committee, in which he or she will present the dissertation. The student will notify the Lyle School of Engineering Graduate Division in advance of the date, time and place of the exam so that it can be publicized on campus. The student should provide copies of the complete draft version of the dissertation to the supervisory committee at least three weeks prior to the date of the final exam. It is recommended that students submit the results of their research for publication at conferences or in journals before taking the final exam.

The supervisory committee may ask questions and make comments or require changes in the dissertation to satisfy itself that the quality of the work is in keeping with the highest standards of research. If the dissertation requires substantial changes, the student should submit the revised dissertation to the supervisory committee for re-examination.

## **Electrical Engineering, M.S.E.E.**

The Electrical Engineering Department emphasizes the following major areas of interest:

1. **Communications and Networking.** Detection and estimation theory, digital communications, computer and communication networks, cellular communications, coding, encryption, data compression, and wireless and optical communications.
2. **Signal Processing and Control.** Digital filter design, system identification, spectral estimation, adaptive filters, neural networks and digital signal processing implementations. Digital image processing, computer vision and pattern recognition. Linear and nonlinear systems, robotics, and computer and robot vision.
3. **Computer Engineering.** Electronic circuits, computer-aided design, VLSI design, neural network implementations, parallel array architectures and memory interfaces.
4. **Electromagnetics and Photonics.** Electromagnetic theory including microwave electronics, classical optics, metallic and dielectric wave-guides, antennas and transmission lines. Photonics including semiconductor lasers and detectors, active optical fibers and switches, integrated optics, fiber optics, photonic integrated circuits and optical backplanes.
5. **Electronic Materials, Devices and Microelectronics.** Fabrication and characterization of devices and materials, device physics, ultrafast electronics and applications of the Scanning Tunneling microscope.

## **Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy this additional requirement: a B.S. degree in electrical engineering or a closely related discipline.

### **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy additional requirements. The plan of study involves these requirements:

### **Articulation Courses**

Articulation courses, if necessary, are used to prepare a student for graduate study in electrical engineering (to bring the student's knowledge to the required level). Students must complete any required articulation courses with a GPA of 3.000 prior to entering the program.



## Required Courses

A total of 30 credit hours must be taken, of which 24 must be in EE. A minimum of four EE courses must be taken from one of the tracks listed below.

### Communication and Networking

- EE 7370 - Communication and Information Systems
- EE 7375 - Random Processes in Engineering
- EE 7376 - Introduction to Computer Networks
- EE 7377 - Embedded Wireless Design Lab
- EE 7378 - Mobile Phone Embedded Design
- EE 7379 - Optimization in Wireless Networks
- EE 8368 - Signal Processing for Wireless Communications
- EE 8370 - Analog and Digital Communications
- EE 8371 - Information Theory
  
- EE 8372 - Cryptography and Data Security  
or
- CSE 8352 - Cryptography and Data Security
  
- EE 8375 - Error Control Coding
- EE 8376 - Detection and Estimation Theory
- EE 8377 - Advanced Digital Communications
- EE 8378 - Performance Modeling and Evaluation of Computer Networks
- EE 7345 - Medical Signal Analysis
- EE 7360 - Analog and Digital Control Systems
  
- EE 7362 - Systems Analysis  
or
- ME 7302 - Linear System Analysis
  
- EE 7371 - Analog and Digital Filter Design
- EE 7372 - Topics in Digital Signal Processing
- EE 7373 - DSP Programming Laboratory
- EE 7374 - Digital Image Processing
- EE 8364 - Statistical Pattern Recognition
- EE 8365 - Adaptive Filters
  
- EE 8367 - Nonlinear Control  
or
- ME 8367 - Nonlinear Control
  
- EE 8373 - Digital Speech Processing
- EE 8374 - Fundamentals of Computer Vision

## Computer Engineering

- EE 7321 - Semiconductor Devices and Circuits
- EE 7340 - Biomedical Instrumentation
- EE 7356 - VLSI Design and Lab
- EE 7357 - CAE Tools for Structured Digital Design
- EE 7378 - Mobile Phone Embedded Design
- EE 7381 - Digital Computer Design
- EE 7385 - Microcontroller Architecture and Interfacing
- EE 8356 - Advanced VLSI Design and Lab
- EE 8382 - Digital Signal Processing Architectures

## Electromagnetics and Optics

- EE 7330 - Electromagnets: Guided Waves
  
- EE 7332 - Electromagnets: Radiation and Antennas  
or
- MATH 6360 - Computational Electromagnetics
  
- EE 7333 - Antennas and Radio Wave Propagation for Personal Communications
- EE 7336 - Introduction to Integrated Photonics
- EE 8322 - Semiconductor Optical Systems
- EE 8331 - Microwave Electronics
- EE 8332 - Numerical Techniques in Electromagnetics
- EE 8333 - Advanced Electromagnetic Theory

## Electronic Materials, Devices and Microelectronics

- EE 7310 - Introduction to Semiconductors
- EE 7312 - Compound Semiconductor Devices and Processing
  
- EE 7314 - Introduction to Microelectromechanical Systems  
or
- ME 7314 - Introduction to Microelectromechanical Systems and Devices
  
- EE 7321 - Semiconductor Devices and Circuits
- EE 8322 - Semiconductor Optical Systems
- EE 8355 - Transistor Integrated Circuits

## Additional Courses

The remaining courses may be taken from different tracks. Of these, two can be from outside the EE department. Non-EE courses are restricted to EETS (with the **exception** of EETS 7301), ME, CSE, EMIS, CEE, math, physics, statistics, chemistry, biology, geological sciences or business.

## EE Courses

At least two of the EE courses (six credit hours) must be graduate courses numbered 8000. EETS courses do not count toward this requirement.

## Optional Master's Thesis

An optional master's thesis may be substituted for two of the eight primary/ secondary courses and count toward the 8000-level requirement.

## Degree Plan of Study

The student should file a degree plan of study with the help of his or her adviser as soon as possible after admission, but no later than the end of the second term after matriculation. Courses not listed on the degree plan of study should not be taken without the approval of the adviser. If the degree plan of study is altered, the student must go through the approval process again.

## **Telecommunications and Network Engineering, M.S.**

Telecommunications provides corporate management with many new opportunities for enhancing efficiency and improving profits. Rapid advances in technology and changes in the regulatory climate have made major impacts in the telecommunications industry. A host of new products, services and applications are creating alternatives in carriers, equipment and networks. In recognition of the critical need for professional education in this field, the Lyle School of Engineering offers a program oriented toward the management of corporate communications and the engineering of telecommunication networks. This program is intended for students interested in employment with a corporate telecommunications management group, equipment vendor, service provider, regulatory agency, or research or consulting firm. This program is offered both on- and off-campus via remote delivery systems. Students should see the Off-campus Distance Education section for more information regarding off-campus delivery systems.

The department offers several specialization options under the M.S. (major in telecommunications and network engineering) program: engineering management, network design, software engineering and wireless communications.

## **Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy these additional requirements:

1. A B.S. in one of the sciences, mathematics or computer science or in one of the engineering disciplines.
2. A bachelor's degree in liberal arts or business with additional background in differential and integral calculus and physics.
3. Computer programming experience preferred.

## **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy these additional requirements:

## Core Curriculum

Satisfactory completion of the core curriculum encompassing three courses:

- EETS 7301 - Introduction to Telecommunications
- EETS 7304 - Network Protocols
- EETS 8303 - Switching and Routing

## Additional Courses

Satisfactory completion of seven additional courses, four of which must be from the list of advanced electives. The seven courses may all be from the list of advanced electives; however, up to three additional electives can be substituted to fulfill degree requirements.

## Advanced Electives

- EETS 7305 - Telecommunications Regulation
- EETS 7316 - Wireless, Cellular, and Personal Telecommunications
- EETS 7341 - Fiber Optic Telecommunications
- EETS 8304 - Multiprotocol Label Switching
- EETS 8305 - Telecommunications Software Design
- EETS 8311 - Intelligent Network
- EETS 8313 - Internet Telephony
- EETS 8315 - Advanced Topics in Wireless Communication
- EETS 8316 - Wireless Networks
- EETS 8317 - Switching and QoS Management in IP Networks
- EETS 8321 - Telecommunications Network Security
- EETS 8322 - Data Compression for Multimedia Applications
- EETS 8331 - Network Analysis, Architecture, and Design
- EETS 8332 - Advanced Network Design With Lab
- EETS 8337 - Telecommunications Network Management
- EETS 8341 - Optical and DWDM Networks

## Additional Electives

- EE 7370 - Communication and Information Systems
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

# **Electrical Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

## Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

### Overview

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business offer a two-year, dual-degree in Master of Science in Engineering (with one of the specific degrees listed above) and Master of Business Administration, with as few as 68 semester credit hours. The program is intended for full-time graduate students with Bachelor degrees in engineering or science. The program is offered on-campus although some of the engineering courses may be taken by means of the Lyle School's distance learning facilities. This program is geared toward recent graduates as well as early-career professionals employed in the engineering and technology sector who desire to broaden and deepen their skills to further their career opportunities and become leaders in technology with the appropriate business and management acumen.

This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

### Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

### Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

### Summer Term (Cox School)

#### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

#### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

### Fall Term (Cox School)

#### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

#### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People

- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Spring Term (Cox School)

Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

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#### Spring Term (Lyle School)

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- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

#### Summer Term (Cox School)

##### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis



## Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Fall Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
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- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

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## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Courses:**

### **Electrical Engineering**

#### **EE 7049 - Masters Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

#### **EE 7090 - Graduate Seminar**

*Credits: 0*

#### **EE 7096 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

#### **EE 7190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

#### **EE 7196 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

#### **EE 7290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

#### **EE 7296 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

#### **EE 7301 - Power Management for Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities**

*Credits: 3*

Overview of the issues in power management (maximize uptime, minimize costs, reduce risk, improve reliability, and increase operation efficiency) in a data center or other mission-critical facility. Topics include DC and AC power concepts (three-phase power, etc.), tier level rankings and their impact on design and cost, redundancy and fault tolerant integration to avoid single

points of failure, power quality indices and methods to improve power quality, introduction to AC and DC distribution systems in data centers, design and installation of LED lighting systems, UPS, battery, generators, uninterrupted operating capability in power distribution, air conditioning and air distribution architecture, energy efficiency in data centers, fault protection and system grounding, system security (fire detection systems, pre-action sprinkler systems, dry suppression systems, etc.), comprehending IT hardware refresh cycles, and standardization in energy infrastructure.

## **EE 7310 - Introduction to Semiconductors**

*Credits: 3*

Explores the basic principles in the physics and chemistry of semiconductors that have direct applications on device operation and fabrication. Topics include basic semiconductor properties, elements of quantum mechanics, energy band theory, equilibrium carrier statistics, carrier transport, and generation-recombination processes. These physical principles are applied to semiconductor devices. Devices studied include metal-semiconductor junctions, p-n junctions, LEDs, semiconductor lasers, bipolar junction transistors, field-effect transistors, and integrated circuits. Emphasizes obtaining the governing equations of device operation based on physical principles.

## **EE 7312 - Compound Semiconductor Devices and Processing**

*Credits: 3*

Laboratory-oriented elective course for graduate and upper-level undergraduate students that provides in-depth coverage of InP- and GaAs-based device processing and silicon integrated circuit processing. Students without fabrication experience fabricate and characterize MOSFETs and semiconductor lasers. Students with some previous fabrication experience (such as EE 3311) fabricate and test an advanced device mutually agreed upon by the student(s) and the instructor (e.g., HEMTs, HBTs, phase shifters, DBR lasers, grating-assisted directional couplers, and semiconductor lasers from developing materials such as GaInNAs). The governing equations of photolithography, oxidation, diffusion, ion-implantation, metallization, and etching are derived from fundamental concepts. Silicon process modeling uses the CAD tool SUPREM. Optical components are modeled using the SMU developed software WAVEGUIDE, GAIN, and GRATING. A laboratory report describing the projects is peer-reviewed before final submission. Prerequisite: EE 3311 or equivalent.

## **EE 7313 - Solar Cells and Applications**

*Credits: 3*

This laboratory-oriented course explores the sun's energy as a source of electrical power and the working principles of silicon and III-V solar cells. Covers characteristics of the sun, semiconductor properties, p-n junctions, solar cell fabrication, and photovoltaic system design. Students fabricate and test silicon solar cells in the SMU cleanroom. Lectures and class discussions explain the basic operation of p-n junction diodes and solar cells along with the basics of device processing, including photolithography, oxidation, diffusion, ion implantation, metallization, and etching. Prerequisite: EE 3311 or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7314 - Introduction to Microelectromechanical Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Develops the basics for microelectromechanical devices and systems, including microactuators, microsensors, micromotors, principles of operation, different micromachining techniques (surface and bulk micromachining), IC-derived microfabrication techniques, and thin-film technologies as they apply to MEMS.

## **EE 7318 - Introduction to MEMS**

*Credits: 3*

## **EE 7321 - Semiconductor Devices and Circuits**

*Credits: 3*

A study of the basics of CMOS integrated analog circuits design. Topics include MOSFET transistor characteristics, DC biasing, small-signal models, different amplifiers, current mirrors, single- and multistage electronic amplifiers, frequency response of electronic amplifiers, amplifiers with negative feedback, and stability of amplifiers. Each student completes one or more design projects by the end of the course. Prerequisites: EE 3122, 3322.

## **EE 7322 - Semiconductor Devices and Fabrication**

*Credits: 3*

Laboratory-oriented elective course that introduces the working principles of semiconductor devices and includes the fabricating and testing of silicon MOSFET transistors in the SMU cleanroom. Lectures and class discussions (about 22 hours) explain the basic operation of p-n junction diodes, bipolar junction transistors, heterojunction bipolar transistors, field-effect transistors, high-electron mobility transistors, solar cells, detectors, light-emitting diodes, and semiconductor lasers. Class lectures (about 20 hours) cover the basics of device processing, including photolithography, oxidation, diffusion, ion-implantation, metallization, and etching. Weekly laboratory reports and a final project report describing the fabrication and testing of devices account for a major portion of the course grade. Students lead weekly discussions of the previous week's laboratory experiences and homework problems. An optional field trip to a local semiconductor related company is possible. Credit will not be given for both EE 7322 and EE 3311.

## **EE 7330 - Electromagnets: Guided Waves**

*Credits: 3*

Application of Maxwell's equations to guided waves; transmission lines, plane wave propagation, and reflection; hollow waveguides and dielectric waveguides; and fiber optics, cavity, and dielectric resonators. Prerequisite: EE 3330.

## **EE 7332 - Electromagnets: Radiation and Antennas**

*Credits: 3*

Polarization, reflection, refraction, and diffraction of EM waves; dipole, loop, slot, and reflector antennas; array analysis and synthesis; self- and mutual impedance; and radiation resistance. Prerequisite: EE 3330.

## **EE 7333 - Antennas and Radio Wave Propagation for Personal Communications**

*Credits: 3*

Covers fixed-site antennas, radio wave propagation, and small antennas proximate to the body. Also, electromagnetics fundamentals; general definitions of antenna characteristics; electromagnetic theorems for antenna applications; various antennas for cellular communications, including loop, dipole, and patch antennas; wave propagation characteristics as in earth-satellite communications, radio test sites, urban and suburban paths, and multipath propagation; and radio communication systems. Prerequisite: EE 3330.

## **EE 7335 - Quantum Electronics**

*Credits: 3*

Optical properties of solids: wave-length dependent dielectric constant, reflectivity, dispersion relations, quantum principles of absorption and emission, free-carrier absorption, electric dipole transitions, resonant processes, and field quantization. Prerequisite: EE 7330.

## **EE 7336 - Introduction to Integrated Photonics**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the issues of integrated photonics and the fundamental principles of electromagnetic theory. Also, waveguides, simulation of waveguide modes, and photonic structures. Emphasizes optical waveguides and numerical simulation techniques because advances in optical communications will be based on nanostructure waveguides coupled with new materials. Includes Maxwell's equations; slab, step index, rectangular, and graded index waveguides; dispersion; attenuations; nonlinear effects; numerical methods; and coupled mode theory. Mathematical packages such as MATLAB and Mathematica are used extensively.

Prerequisites: EE 3311, 3330 or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7340 - Biomedical Instrumentation**

*Credits: 3*

Application of engineering principles to solving problems encountered in biomedical research. Includes transducer principles, electrophysiology, and cardiopulmonary measurement systems.

## **EE 7345 - Medical Signal Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

This course looks at the analysis of discrete-time medical signals and images. Topics include the design of discrete-time filters, medical imaging and tomography, signal and image compression, and spectrum estimation. The course project explores the application of these techniques to actual medical data. Research element required for course project.

## **EE 7351 - Power System Operation and Electricity Markets**

*Credits: 3*

An overview of power generation systems, economic operation of power systems, and electricity market operation. Introduces mathematical optimization methods used to solve practical problems in power system operation addressing economic and technical aspects of power generation and transmission. Topics include power generation characteristics; economic dispatch; unit commitment and proposed solution methodologies; the effect of transmission systems on unit commitment and economic dispatch of power systems; restructuring in power systems; power pools and bilateral contracts; pricing in electricity markets; day-ahead, real-time, and ancillary service markets; financial transmission rights; competition between market participants; congestion management; and demand response.

## **EE 7352 - Power Systems Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Provides an overview of the power systems, including complex power calculation; theory of balanced three-phase circuits; per-unit system; transmission line characteristics for short, medium, and long lines; power flow analysis; three-phase balance fault; unbalanced fault and sequence impedances; and transient stability analysis in power systems. Prerequisites: Basic knowledge of electric power systems, fundamentals of electric power engineering (EE 3352) or equivalent.

## **EE 7353 - Power System Planning**

*Credits: 3*

Overview of power system planning, including basics of restructuring in power systems, reliability analysis in power systems, long-term demand forecast, power system production simulation, introduction to stochastic programming, midterm maintenance scheduling, mathematical model for generation expansion planning, transmission expansion planning, coordinated expansion planning, and other practices, such as transmission switching and demand response, which affect the expansion planning.

Prerequisite: EE 5352/EE 7352, EE 3352, or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7356 - VLSI Design and Lab**

*Credits: 3*

Explores the design aspects involved in the realization of CMOS integrated circuits from device up to the register/subsystem level. Addresses major design methodologies with emphasis placed on structured, full-custom design. Also, the MOS device, CMOS inverter static characteristics, CMOS inverter dynamic characteristics, CMOS transistor fabrication technology, combination logic circuit, alternative static logic circuit, sequential logic circuit, dynamic logic circuit, propagation delay and interconnect, power dissipation and design for low power, memory device (DRAM/SRAM/ROM), ESD protection, packaging, testing, and VLSI design flow. Students use state-of-the art CAD tools to verify designs and develop efficient circuit layouts. Prerequisites: C- or better in EE 2181, 2381, 3311.

## **EE 7357 - CAE Tools for Structured Digital Design**

*Credits: 3*

This course concentrates on the use of CAE tools for the design and stimulation of complex digital systems. Verilog, a registered trademark of Cadence Design Systems, Inc., hardware description language, will be discussed and used for behavioral and structural hardware modeling. Structured modeling and design will be emphasized. Design case studies include a pipelined processor, cache memory, UART, and a floppy disk controller. Prerequisite: EE 2381 or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7360 - Analog and Digital Control Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Feedback control of linear continuous systems in the time domain and frequency domain. Topics include plant representation, frequency response, stability, root locus, linear state variable feedback, and design of compensators. Prerequisite: EE 3372.

## **EE 7362 - Systems Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

State space representation of continuous and discrete-time systems, controllability, observability, and minimal representations; linear state variable feedback, observers, and quadratic regulator theory. Prerequisite: EE 3372.

## **EE 7370 - Communication and Information Systems**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to communication in modulation systems in discrete and continuous time, information content of signals, and the transition of signals in the presence of noise. Also, amplitude, frequency, phase and pulse modulation, and time and frequency division multiplexing. Prerequisite: EE 3360 and EE 3372.

## **EE 7371 - Analog and Digital Filter Design**

*Credits: 3*

Approximation and analog design of Butterworth, Chebyshev, and Bessel filters. Basic frequency transformations for designing low-pass, band-pass, band-reject, and high-pass filters. Concept of IIR digital filters using impulse-invariant and bilinear transformations. Design of FIR digital filters using frequency sampling and window methods. Canonical realization of IIR and FIR digital filters. Wave digital filters. Introduction to two-dimensional filters. Prerequisite: EE 5372.

## **EE 7372 - Topics in Digital Signal Processing**

*Credits: 3*

Provides extended coverage of discrete-time signals processing. Reviews discrete-time signals and the analysis of systems in both the time and frequency domains. Includes multirate signal processing, digital filter structures, filter design, and power spectral estimation. Prerequisite: C- or better in EE 3372.

## **EE 7373 - DSP Programming Laboratory**

*Credits: 3*

Covers applications of digital signal processor technology based on the Texas Instruments TMS320C50 DSP processor. Also, DSP device architecture, assembly language, DSP development tools, of FIR and IIR filter design, and real-time spectrum analysis with the FFT.

## **EE 7374 - Digital Image Processing**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces the basic concepts and techniques of digital image processing. Includes characterization and representation of images, image enhancement, image restoration, image analysis, image coding, and reconstruction. Prerequisite: EE 7372.

## **EE 7375 - Random Processes in Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces probability and stochastic processes, as used in communication and control, and estimation and queuing theory. Includes probability theory, random variables, expected values and moments, multivariate Gaussian distributions, stochastic processes, and autocorrelation and power spectral densities. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **EE 7376 - Introduction to Computer Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Surveys basic topics in communication networks, with an emphasis on layered protocols and their design. Includes OSI protocol reference model, data link protocols, local area networks, routing, congestion control, network management, security, and transport layer protocols. Network technologies include telephony, cellular, Ethernet, Internet protocol, TCP, and ATM. Assignments may include lab exercises involving computer simulations.

## **EE 7377 - Embedded Wireless Design Lab**

*Credits: 3*

A wide variety of real-world experiences in wireless communications and networking using FPGAs equipped with embedded microprocessors. Covers basic wireless concepts of scheduled and random access as well as modulation and power control via labs that enable implementation of cellular and 802.11-based wireless protocols such as TDMA, Aloha, CSMA, and CSMA/CA. Also, broader topics that range from embedded programming, interrupt-driven operation, and FPGA-based design are covered in some depth. In a course project, student teams design novel wireless protocols and carry out experiments to measure the performance. Prerequisite: C- or better in EE 3360 or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7378 - Mobile Phone Embedded Design**

*Credits: 3*

Students learn how to develop embedded software for the most widely used smartphone platforms, with an emphasis on wireless and sensing applications. Topics include user interface design such as multitouch and basic HCI design tenets, storing and

fetching data with local networked systems and databases, localization via GPS and wireless signal triangulation, sensing environmental and user characteristics, networking with various wireless protocols, graphics rendering, multimedia streaming, and designing for performance such as controlling memory leaks, object allocation, and multithreading. Content draws from various fields, including wireless communications and networking, embedded programming, and computer architecture.

## **EE 7379 - Optimization in Wireless Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Covers a wide variety of optimization problems in the design and operation of wireless networks. Introduces basic linear programming and integer linear programming concepts and explains these concepts using examples from wired and wireless networks. Also, the basic structure and design of various wireless networks, including cellular networks (such as GSM) and wireless LANs (e.g., those based on 802.11g/n). Prerequisite: EE 2170 or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

## **EE 7381 - Digital Computer Design**

*Credits: 3*

Emphasizes the design of digital systems and register transfer. Covers design conventions, addressing modes, interrupts, input-output, channel organization, high-speed arithmetic, and hardwired and microprogrammed control. Also, central processor organization design and memory organization. Each student completes one or more laboratory projects. Prerequisites: EE 2181, 2381.

## **EE 7385 - Microcontroller Architecture and Interfacing**

*Credits: 3*

Emphasizes the design of embedded systems using microcontrollers. Briefly reviews microcontroller architecture. Includes hierarchical memory systems and interfacing of memory and peripherals, industry standard bus interfaces and other applicable standards, and topics in real-time operating systems and system-level design considerations. The corequisite laboratory requires students to develop software using assembler and high-level languages. Prerequisite: CSE 3381 or EE 3181, 3381.

## **EE 7387 - Digital Systems Design**

*Credits: 3*

Modern topics in digital systems design, including the use of HDLs for circuit specification and automated synthesis tools for realization. Programmable logic devices are emphasized and used throughout the course. Includes heavy laboratory assignment content and a design project. Prerequisite: EE 2381 or CSE 3381.

## **EE 7390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 7391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.



## **EE 7392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 7393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 7395 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 7490 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 7696 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8049 - Ph.D. Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

## **EE 8095 - Independent Study**

*Credits: 0*

## **EE 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8191 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8192 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8193 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8194 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8195 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8291 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8292 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8293 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8294 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8295 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8296 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8310 - Electronic Processes**

*Credits: 3*

Study of atomic, molecular, and crystal structures; electron motion in crystals; carrier statistics; band theory; electronic transport properties; and scattering and recombination mechanisms in metals and semiconductors.

## **EE 8322 - Semiconductor Optical Systems**

*Credits: 3*

A study of semiconductor lasers and light-emitting diode optical sources, semiconductor optical detectors, receiver noise, optical fiber waveguides and their transmission characteristics, and optical fiber systems.

## **EE 8323 - Lasers and Photonics**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces lasers and photonics. Includes ray and beam optics, analysis and design of cavities and resonators, the interaction of light with matter, rate equations and pumping, power optimization, pulsed behavior, diode lasers, and topics in photonic integration. Prerequisite: EE 7330 or EE 7332, or equivalent.

## **EE 8325 - Infrared Systems Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Develops the basic physical and operating principles of optical detectors, with a focus on infrared detectors. Includes geometric

optics, blackbody radiation, radiometry, photon detection mechanisms, thermal detection mechanisms, probability and statistics of optical detection, noise in optical detectors, figures of merit, photovoltaic detectors, photoconductive detectors, bolometers, pyroelectric detectors, Schottky diode detectors, and quantum well detectors. Prerequisites: EE 3311, 3330 or optics.

### **EE 8331 - Microwave Electronics**

*Credits: 3*

A study of microwave circuit design covering amplifiers, mixers, and oscillators using s-parameters. Topics include scattering parameters, transmission lines, impedance matching, network synthesis, stability, noise, narrowband and broadband amplifier design, low-noise amplifiers, multistage amplifiers, biasing considerations, microwave oscillators, microwave mixers, and relationships to CAE tools. Prerequisite: EE 3330, EE 7330, or EE 7332.

### **EE 8332 - Numerical Techniques in Electromagnetics**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces various numerical methods in electromagnetics, including the moment method, finite difference method, and finite element method. Emphasizes practical applications. Prerequisites: EE 7330 and proficiency in one computer language (e.g., Fortran), or permission of instructor.

### **EE 8333 - Advanced Electromagnetic Theory**

*Credits: 3*

The course offers the advanced level of electromagnetic theory beyond EE 5330. Topics include various electromagnetic theories and principles. Green's functions, and perturbational and variational techniques. Prerequisite: EE 7330.

### **EE 8355 - Transistor Integrated Circuits**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to CMOS, BJT, and BiCMOS analog integrated circuits. Includes the development of the detailed, physically based device model for SPICE simulations and their application to components of operational amplifiers such as bias, differential, gain and output stages, frequency response and compensation, and feedback circuits. Emphasis is on modern CMOS operational amplifier design with BiCMOS applications. As an extension of EE 7321, this course covers the topics in more depth and considers the high-frequency aspects of analog circuits. Prerequisite: EE 7321.

### **EE 8356 - Advanced VLSI Design and Lab**

*Credits: 3*

Explores the advanced mixed-signal VLSI design aspects involved in the realization of CMOS integrated circuits and systems, from device up to the high-speed VLSI circuits and real system-level design. Addresses major design methodologies, with emphasis on full-custom mixed-signal VLSI design. Includes the study of the CMOS advanced VLSI circuits, logics, high-speed interconnect, and key building blocks that determine the performance of VLSI circuits. Also, CMOS VLSI IC design, from transistor-level schematic to layout for fabrication. Students use state-of-the-art CAD tools (e.g., Cadence) to verify designs and develop efficient circuit layouts. Prerequisites: C or better in EE 2381, EE 7356.

### **EE 8361 - Optimal Control**

*Credits: 3*

Topics related to deterministic system control include applications of the variational calculus using Hamiltonian methods, optimization with control variable constraints, maximum principle, linear quadratic problem, Riccati equation and principle of optimality. Optimal stochastic control discusses point estimation, state estimation, Kalman filter, linear quadratic Gaussian problem, and separation principle. Prerequisites: EE 7360, EE 7375, and EE 8360.

## **EE 8364 - Statistical Pattern Recognition**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to various parametric and nonparametric statistical approaches to automatic classification of a set of processes. Topics include Bayes, Neyman-Pearson, minimax, sequential, and nearest-neighbor classifier. Also, estimation of classifier error, parameter estimation, density function estimation, linear discriminant functions, feature selection and evaluation, unsupervised recognition techniques, and clustering analysis. Prerequisite: EE 7375 or equivalent.

## **EE 8365 - Adaptive Filters**

*Credits: 3*

A detailed treatment of the theory and application of adaptive filter processing. Covers linear prediction, stochastic gradient (LMS) adaptive transversal filters, recursive least squares and fast RLS algorithms, adaptive transversal filters, and lattice filters. Applications include adaptive equalization, echo cancellation, system identification, beamforming, speech coding, and spectral estimation. Prerequisites: EE 7372, EE 7375 or permission of instructor.

## **EE 8367 - Nonlinear Control**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces methods used to control nonlinear systems. Reviews phase plane analysis of nonlinear systems, Lyapunov theory, nonlinear stability, and describing function analysis. Advanced control techniques include feedback linearization, sliding control, and adaptive control. Emphasizes application of the developed concepts to the robust regulation of the response of nonlinear systems. Prerequisite: EE 7362.

## **EE 8368 - Signal Processing for Wireless Communications**

*Credits: 3*

Emphasis is given to channel equalization, which can be considered a form of temporal signal processing, spatial array processing, and space-time processing. Topics include classical and blind channel equalization; Fourier, parametric, and subspace-based direction finding methods for smart antennas; and space-time signal processing. Prerequisite: EE 7372.

## **EE 8370 - Analog and Digital Communications**

*Credits: 3*

Review of stochastic processes. Detection of waveform in noise. Matched filters and correlation receivers. Parameter and waveform estimation. Wiener and Kalman filters. Optimal receivers for analog and digital communication systems. Prerequisite: EE 7375.

## **EE 8371 - Information Theory**

*Credits: 3*

An investigation of the fundamental performance limits of communication systems. Includes developments and proofs of Shannon's three theorems involving channel capacity, lossless source coding and rate distortion theory; entropy; entropy rate; mutual information; discrete memoryless channels and sources; and the additive white Gaussian noise channel. Prerequisite: EE 3360 or course equivalent.

## **EE 8372 - Cryptography and Data Security**

*Credits: 3*

Cryptography is the study of mathematical systems for solving two kinds of security problems on public channels: privacy and authentication. Covers the theory and practice of both classical and modern cryptographic systems. The fundamental issues involved in the analysis and design of a modern cryptographic system will be identified or studied. Prerequisite: EE/STAT/CSE 4340 or equivalent.

## **EE 8373 - Digital Speech Processing**

*Credits: 3*

A detailed treatment of theory and application of digital speech processing. Provides a fundamental knowledge of speech signals and speech processing techniques. Includes digital speech coding, speech synthesis, speech recognition, and speech verification. Prerequisite: EE 7372.

## **EE 8374 - Fundamentals of Computer Vision**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to the basic concepts and various techniques for computer analysis, interpretation, and recognition of pictorial data. Topics include binary image analysis, edge and curve detection, image segmentation, shape and texture representation and recognition, morphological methods, and stereo vision. Prerequisites: Familiarity with basic concepts in signal processing and probability theory.

## **EE 8375 - Error Control Coding**

*Credits: 3*

Topics include information theory, algebraic and arithmetic codes, and applications to computer systems. Prerequisites: Elementary probability concepts and digital logic circuits and EE 3360 or course equivalent.

## **EE 8376 - Detection and Estimation Theory**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced topics in detection and estimation, including asymptotic detector and estimator performance, robust detection, and nonparametric detection techniques. Prerequisite: EE 8370.

## **EE 8377 - Advanced Digital Communications**

*Credits: 3*

Quantized, binary, and block encoding signals and systems. Also, convolution coding, fading, diversity, spread-spectrum communications, mobile radio, and packet-radio communications. Prerequisite: EE 8370.

## **EE 8378 - Performance Modeling and Evaluation of Computer Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Applies probabilistic modeling and evaluation techniques to understanding the behavior of traffic, switching, and network protocols. Includes basic queuing theory, traffic models, multiplexing, scheduling, switch models, routing, and traffic control, in the context of protocols such as TCP/IP and ATM. Prerequisites: Probability, random processes, and some knowledge of networks. EE 5376/EE 7376 and CSE 6344 recommended.

## **EE 8382 - Digital Signal Processing Architectures**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to DSP systems; iteration bound; pipelining and parallel processing, retiming, unfolding, and folding; systolic architecture design; speed, power, computational, and memory resource design issues; case studies and design examples for FIR filters, IIR filters, and orthogonal transforms; and architectural overview of programmable digital signal processors. Prerequisite: EE 5372, equivalent knowledge of digital signal processing concepts, or permission of instructor.

## **EE 8386 - Testing of VLSI Circuits**

*Credits: 3*

The objective of testing is to verify that the manufactured custom chips function correctly according to their specifications. Testing process includes fault modeling, mainly automated simulation, test pattern generation, and testable and self-testing design synthesizing. Structured chips such as memories, PLAs, and FPGAs are also tested for correctness. The course surveys the state-of-the-art test approaches used in industry and in other research environments. Prerequisite: Digital logic design, data structures, and algorithms. Crosslisted as CSE 8386.

## **EE 8390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8394 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8395 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8490 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8491 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8492 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8493 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8494 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8495 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 4*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8496 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 4*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8596 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 5*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.



## **EE 8690 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 6*

Study of selected topics in electrical engineering. The course must have a section number associated with a faculty member.

## **EE 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8796 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 7*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8896 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 8*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8990 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EE 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

# **Telecommunications and Network Engineering**

## **EETS 7090 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several special topics courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EETS 7301 - Introduction to Telecommunications**

*Credits: 3*

Overview of public and private telecommunications systems, traffic engineering, switching, transmission, and signaling. Channel capacity, media characteristics, Fourier analysis and harmonics, modulation, electromagnetic wave propagation and antennas,

modems and interfaces, and digital transmission systems. DSL technologies, digital microwave, satellites, fiber optics and SONET, and Integrated Services Digital Networks.

## **EETS 7304 - Network Protocols**

*Credits: 3*

This course is an introductory graduate course on the protocol architecture of the Internet, following a bottom-up approach to the protocol layers. The objective of this core course is to provide an understanding of the internetworking concepts in preparation for advanced networking courses. The first part of the course covers networking technologies such as local area networks, packet switching, and ATM. The second part of the course examines the Internet protocol (IP) and TCP/UDP in-depth. The last part of the course is an overview of important application protocols such as HTTP, client/server computing, SMTP, FTP, and SNMP. Prerequisite: EETS 7301 or equivalent.

## **EETS 7305 - Telecommunications Regulation**

*Credits: 3*

This course reviews the evolution of telecommunications in the United States and investigates current regulatory topics, including Internet and international regulation. It relates regulatory decisions to real-world issues such as telecommunications services acquisition and pricing. Also, investigates topics that include both domestic and international components, including regulation of the electromagnetic spectrum and standards organizations.

## **EETS 7307 - Telecommunications for Data Systems Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Covers topics related to the technologies and physical management of corporate telecommunications systems, including current voice, data, and wireless telecommunications technologies and hardware. Legal and regulatory topics include a review of regulatory agency responsibilities. Also, intellectual property, net neutrality, privacy and fraud, and facilities planning and management processes, including lease analysis, licensing and permits, bidding contracts, development of specifications, and supplier and vendor management as they pertain to telecommunications systems. Examines engineering topics of fire protection, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, and lighting, and energy management systems for telecommunications. Prerequisites: 1 year of physics, including electricity and magnetism, and 1 year of calculus.

## **EETS 7316 - Wireless, Cellular, and Personal Telecommunications**

*Credits: 3*

A comprehensive course in the fast-developing field of wireless mobile/cellular and personal telecommunications. Topics include mobile/cellular communications; frequency allocations; base station site selection; cellular structures; channel trunking; analog cellular signalling; handover; data over cellular; multipath fading; diversity reception; modulation techniques; speech coding; digital cellular design, including GSM and TDMA; spectral efficiency considerations; spectral management and regulations; roaming; and current world systems and standards. Topics on personal communications include basic concepts and terminology for PCS; PCS technology; design based on CSM, TDMA, and CDMA; spectrum sharing with other services such as FSM; PCS standards; intelligent networks for PCS; global challenges for PCS; third-generation wireless, number portability, and roaming; and satellites in wireless. Prerequisites: EETS 7301, and EE 5370 or EE 7370, or permission of the instructor. This course is primarily for the telecommunications program but can also be very useful for EE students who plan to specialize in this field.

## **EETS 7341 - Fiber Optic Telecommunications**

*Credits: 3*

This is an introductory course designed to familiarize students with practical concepts involved in optical fiber communications systems. Basic optical principles are reviewed. Dielectric-slab waveguides, fiber waveguides, and integrated optics devices are discussed. The major components of a fiber communications link, including optical sources, detectors, and fibers, are covered.

## **EETS 8303 - Switching and Routing**

*Credits: 3*

Explains switching and routing architectures, protocols, and functions. For switching, covers STP and VLANs. Examines dynamic routing protocols, including RIP (versions 1 and 2), OSPF, IS-IS, BGP, and Cisco's EIGRP. Analyzes IP subnetworks with and without classes. Also, uses simulation tools to analyze the operation and performance of different protocols. Prerequisite: EETS 7304 or permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8304 - Multiprotocol Label Switching**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the MPLS protocol and its applications in networks. Introduces the basics of MPLS and MPLS traffic engineering, DiffServ QoS, and network survivability. Investigates Layer 2 and Layer 3 MPLS virtual private networks. Covers MPLS management, access networks, MPLS Transport Profile, and Generalized MPLS. Prerequisite: EETS 7304.

## **EETS 8305 - Telecommunications Software Design**

*Credits: 3*

Comprehensive course to familiarize telecommunications professionals with the state-of-the-art software concepts and technology in modern telecommunications applications. Focuses on software process modeling, user interface design, CASE tool, reusability, quality assurance, reliability, distributed computing, real-time operating system and database and understanding of ROOM in analysis and design, and high-level programming language design concepts such as C++ as required in telecommunications software development. Heavy emphasis on real-world applications topics, including CO or PBX switch, CTI, LAN-to-WAN node processor, AIN, PCS, ATM, ISDN, and demonstration of ObjecTime, a real-time object-oriented modeling software tool. Prerequisites: EETS 7301 or permission of instructor and knowledge of one high-level programming language, preferably Pascal, C, or C++.

## **EETS 8311 - Intelligent Network**

*Credits: 3*

Comprehensive course providing broad knowledge in IN by exploring the theoretical network/call models of the ITU-T and ANSI and practical experiences of implementing IN technologies and services. Detailed explanation of important IN elements such as the SCE, SMS, SCP, STP, SSP, and IP. Describes implementation scenarios for IN elements, from the ITU-T SIB to actual service deployment. Covers harmonization of IN with TMN, the future of IN with migration to TINA, and hurdles to IN such as feature interaction, LNP, and IN/IP/CT integration. Provides live demos of IN service creation and execution. Prerequisite: EETS 5301 or permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8313 - Internet Telephony**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a comprehensive introduction to the background, protocols, standards, and issues related to Internet telephony. Describes the changing telecommunications environment that motivates the transition from today's telephone network to voice over IP and strategies being used by companies and individuals to implement VoIP. Covers the umbrella protocol Session Internet Protocol and its partner, Session Description Protocol. In addition to SIP and SDP, H.323, RSVP, RTP, DNS, TRIP, ISUP, and SS7 are covered. Issues include emergency services, security, mobility, and quality of service. On-campus students - and off-campus students with high-speed Internet access - have access to SIP lab equipment. Prerequisite: EETS 7301 or permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8315 - Advanced Topics in Wireless Communication**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on third generation systems, wireless data, and emerging wireless systems and technologies. Covers the IMT2000 requirements, proposals, and evolution path for CDMA and TDMA technologies toward 3G. Detailed study of radio access network for the GPRS, EDGE, WCDMA, and CDMA2000, as well as core network evolution. Also, Mobile IP, WAP, and second-generation wireless data systems such as CDPD and SMS. May include LMDS, WILL, indoor systems, cordless phones, and WLAN.

## **EETS 8316 - Wireless Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a comprehensive introduction to various transport layer protocols, especially focusing on wireless networks. The course begins with a study of various traffic scenarios in different elements of a wireless network, then looks at various applications using 3G, and finishes with a discussion of methods for performance monitoring and network testing. Prerequisite: EETS 7316 (formerly EETS 7306).

## **EETS 8317 - Switching and QoS Management in IP Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Comprehensive course on IP switching and QoS management technology, protocols, and applications. Prerequisite: EETS 7301 or consent of instructor.

## **EETS 8321 - Telecommunications Network Security**

*Credits: 3*

Graduate-level survey of the technologies underlying network security. The first part of the course covers the principles of private and public key cryptography and describes a number of example encryption algorithms, including DES and AES. Next, the use of encryption with hash functions for digital signatures and certificates, followed by perimeter security, including firewalls, intrusion detection systems, viruses, and worms. The last part of the course encompasses a number of secure protocols, including secure email, secure HTTP, IPSec, and virtual private networks. Topics that are part of general security but peripheral to network security are not covered, e.g., physical tamper resistance, security policies, digital rights management, and biometrics.

## **EETS 8322 - Data Compression for Multimedia Applications**

*Credits: 3*

Provides an introduction to techniques for efficient compression and coding of audio and video signals for multimedia applications. Topics covered include speech and vision models, sampling and quantization of one- and two-dimensional signals, coding techniques for audio and video signals, and existing and evolving standards for audio and video coding. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8331 - Network Analysis, Architecture, and Design**

*Credits: 3*

A focus on the systematic process of network design. The course explains the process of gathering network requirements and covers data flow analysis and the selection of network architectures. Also, addressing and routing, network management, network performance criteria, and security and privacy architecture selection methods. These techniques are merged to create a complete network design framework. Prerequisite: EETS 7304 or permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8332 - Advanced Network Design With Lab**

*Credits: 3*

This capstone course provides a holistic view of network design practices. It begins with a review of network design fundamentals such as conventional and VoIP voice networks, data networks and queuing theory, MPLS, and optical network design methods. These methods are integrated to accomplish and analyze networks from a multilayer network design perspective. A significant portion of the course focuses on completing a complex network design using state-of-the-art software tools. Prerequisite: EETS 8331.

## **EETS 8337 - Telecommunications Network Management**

*Credits: 3*

Comprehensive course in the important issues in telecommunications network management. Overview of the underlying principles - operation, administration, maintenance, and provisioning - that are often the most expensive and labor-intensive aspects of telecommunications. Includes different paradigms for network management such as the Internet Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP, SNMPv2) and the Open System Interconnection Common Management information protocol. Covers the object-oriented modeling approach such as the ITU-T Telecommunications Management Network and Bellcore's Information Networking Architecture. Also, implementation issues of architectural concepts into network products and systems such as the translation from ISO Guidelines for the Definition of Managed Objects into C++. Network simulation, configuration, fault, security, accounting, performance management, and the quality of service concepts. Addresses drivers for network management and its traditional practice, as well as future needs, and includes case studies in Intelligent Network and Synchronous Optical Network. Prerequisites: EETS 8305 or permission of the instructor, plus knowledge of one high-level programming language, preferably Pascal, C, or C++.

## **EETS 8341 - Optical and DWDM Networks**

*Credits: 3*

Discusses the operation of the following network types: Synchronous Optical Network, Synchronous Digital Hierarchy, and Optical Transport Network. Also, optical core and access network configurations. Introduction to WDM network elements, and control and management of optical networks, plus an overview of network survivability using optical technologies. Covers future optical technologies, including photonic packet switching. Students use simulation software in laboratory experiments to analyze the performance and operation of optical networks. Prerequisite: EETS 7304 or permission of instructor.

## **EETS 8390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

## **EETS 8391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

## **EETS 8392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

## **EETS 8393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

# Engineering Management, Information and Systems

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## Graduate Programs

Leaders need more than technical knowledge in today's complex working world. EMIS programs develop leadership, engineering and management skills for success in technology-based organizations. The same systems-oriented, mathematical model-based approach to design – which has been the cornerstone of engineering for decades – has powerful application within technology-based organizations.

The EMIS department offers five programs and eight degrees to prepare graduates for leadership in their chosen career:

- **Engineering Management** develops expertise in applying engineering principles to managing technology-based projects and people in technical roles.
- **Operations Research** applies advanced analytical methods to help make better decisions. By using techniques such as mathematical modeling to analyze complex situations, operations research gives managers the power to make more effective decisions and build more productive systems.
- **Systems Engineering** develops expertise for the creation and management of a complex system by viewing it as a whole, over its life cycle, using systems-engineering principles, methods and practices.
- **Information Engineering and Management** provides the graduate with the tools to effectively engineer and manage the information flow of an organization by developing management skills that take advantage of software, networking, hardware and technology.
- **Engineering Entrepreneurship** develops engineers who look at the role of new technology in society with a business perspective. These graduates have the ability to apply that knowledge to bring new technology to the marketplace.

The unifying theme of these efforts is the application of engineering principles and techniques to enhance organizational performance. Faculty specializations include optimization, telecommunications network design and management, supply-chain systems, systems engineering, logistics engineering, quality control, reliability engineering, information engineering, benchmarking, operations planning and management, network optimization and mathematical programming. Whether the graduate will be in a technology firm, the military or a not-for-profit organization, he or she will develop the essential technical and leadership skills in the Engineering Management, Information and Systems Department.

**Graduate Degrees.** The Department of Engineering Management, Information and Systems offers the following graduate degrees:

Operations Research	M.S.	Ph.D.
Systems Engineering	M.S.	Ph.D.

Engineering Management	M.S.E.M.	D.E.
Information Engineering and Management	M.S.I.E.M.	
Engineering Entrepreneurship	M.S.E.N.	

Courses for these programs are offered both on-campus and off-campus via several remote-delivery systems. Master's degrees may be completed through distance education via online video, as may most of the coursework for doctoral degrees. More information on distance education delivery systems is in the Off-campus Distance Education section of this catalog.

The Department of Engineering Management, Information and Systems also offers the following, which are described in this section:

- Weekend versions of selected master's degrees in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.
- Fast multiple master's options, which can reduce coursework requirements when pursuing multiple graduate degrees.

The most up-to-date information on programs and activities is available on the departmental website at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).

## Multiple Master's Degrees

SMU's Lyle School of Engineering permits its graduate students to take advantage of degree-requirement overlaps to acquire a second master's degree by taking as few as six courses (18 credit hours). This option is available for prospective and current graduate students, as well as alumni who have already received an M.S. from SMU. The following guidelines must be followed by students wishing to receive two M.S. degrees:

1. The student must apply to and be admitted to both programs.
2. All requirements of both degrees must be met.
3. For the new (or second) master's degree, a minimum of 18 credit hours of graduate coursework must be taken, and it must be coursework that will not or has not been applied toward another SMU Lyle graduate degree.
4. For students who are currently enrolled in an SMU Lyle graduate program and who are seeking a new master's degree, the degree will not be awarded until a minimum of 30 credit hours of graduate coursework has been completed at SMU.

With careful planning, a student can develop an advanced education strategy leading to multiple degrees, including combinations with a Master of Science in Engineering Management; a Master of Science in Information, Engineering and Management; an M.S. with a major in systems engineering; or an M.S. with a major in operations research. Students apply and file degree plans for both degrees, and then complete the coursework. Additional information and examples of programs of study for obtaining two master's degrees from the EMIS department are available at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).

**Administrative Process.** Students pursuing dual degrees must be admitted into each degree program separately. A separate application form and statement of purpose must be submitted for each, as follows:

- To apply for both degrees simultaneously, the student must include a note indicating that he or she is "applying for a second master's," and a single application fee and set of transcripts will be required.
- If the student is already enrolled in one program, he or she must submit an application form and statement of purpose for the second degree, along with a note indicating that he or she is applying for (not a requesting a transfer to) a "second master's program."

## Weekend Master's Programs

The Lyle School of Engineering's weekend master's degrees are two-year programs developed for rising and prospective technical managers who have technical undergraduate degrees and are moving up to higher management positions or starting

their own company. It is a cohort weekend program that is restricted to a highly motivated group of area professionals and designed to impart essential knowledge for today's and tomorrow's technology-driven organizations.

The fast-track engineering management program develops expertise in applying engineering principles to managing technology-based projects and people in technical roles. This well-rounded approach prepares individuals for success in the new world of the technology-driven enterprise with its challenges and opportunities.

The systems engineering program develops expertise for the creation and management of complex systems (products and services) that satisfy customer requirements in considering engineering, technology, environmental, management, risk and economic factors by viewing the system as a whole during its life cycle, using systems-engineering principles, methods and practices.

The information engineering and management program provides the graduate with the tools to effectively engineer and manage the information flow within an organization. The curriculum is comprised of 10 courses, ranging from software, networking and hardware courses to courses in information handling, management and system-level considerations.

As a tool for recruitment and retention, each of these degrees can be an ideal reward or incentive device to help companies attract and keep top talent. Best of all, the program is extremely cost-efficient, priced below other comparable programs. For more information on all of the EMIS weekend master's programs, students should see the department website at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).

## **Engineering Management, D.E.**

This degree is designed to provide students with preparation to meet doctoral standards in an applied science or engineering practice. Applied science as a focus for the doctoral degree refers to the study of advanced theory and its application to a practical problem in order to test and verify performance limitations. The degree requires a high level of expertise in the theoretical aspects of relevant scientific principles and experience with details of the implementation of theory on realistic problems. Engineering practice as a focus for the degree is the study of different aspects that play a role in the transfer of technology, from its inception in research to the intended engineering environment, as well as relevant economic issues. (For information on general degree requirements, students should see the separate Doctor of Engineering Degree.)

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants are required to satisfy these requirements:

1. A master's degree in a technical area from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a minimum GPA of 3.400 on a 4.000 scale.
3. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of appropriate application fee.
4. Official GRE graduate school admission test results with a minimum 80th percentile quantitative score.
5. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
6. Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency score before being considered for admission as follows:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.
7. Approval by the director of the engineering management graduate program.



## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the D.Engr. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. **Twenty-four credit hours of engineering management.** These credit hours must come from graduate-level courses in quantitative and qualitative aspects of managing in a modern technical environment. Courses in the areas of engineering management, management science, operations research, operations management, production management and other related fields may qualify.
2. **Eighteen credit hours in a technical specialty.** These credit hours must be taken in an engineering or other technical area consistent with anticipated doctoral work demands.
3. **Nine credit hours of business/economics.** These credit hours must come from courses in a graduate program. They should expand the student's understanding of the economic issues and problems relating to the transfer and management of technology.
4. **Fifteen credit hours of electives.** All elective credit hours must come from graduate-level courses and must be approved by the advisory committee. These courses should, in some way, complement and strengthen the student's degree plan.
5. **Twelve credit hours of praxis.** These credit hours must be taken in residence. The student enrolls for these credit hours in the course of preparing the praxis project.
6. **Satisfactory completion of the preliminary counseling examination.** An oral exam covering degree fundamentals. The exam should be scheduled after the student has taken courses in production systems engineering, engineering management, engineering economics, and decision analysis and operations research models, but before 24 credit hours have been completed. Questions are drawn predominantly from the graduate courses EMIS 7362, EMIS 8360 and EMIS 8361. If the student fails the exam, he or she may retake it once. Since the goal of the exam is to detect weaknesses in the student's background, the examiners may grant a conditional or partial pass. Such a pass indicates that the student's weaknesses can be overcome by taking specific courses. In this situation, the student need not retake the exam but will be required to take one or more courses and achieve a grade of B or better.
7. **Satisfactory completion of the doctoral qualifying examination.**
8. **Satisfactory completion and defense of the doctoral praxis.**

A course may not be counted toward more than one category. The minor requirements may be satisfied by transfer credit.

The following courses, or their equivalents, are included in the degree plan:

### Engineering Management

- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

### Operations Research

- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support

One of the following:

- EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming
- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming

- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows

## Statistics

- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments

## Operations Research, Ph.D.

In addition to the five steps below, process details and other requirements for the Ph.D. degree may be found elsewhere in the SMU Lyle School of Engineering Graduate Catalog. The steps for completion of the doctoral program are

1. **Basic Coursework:** Upon entry into the Ph.D. program, a student is assigned an academic adviser. The adviser will examine the student's prior background and current state of knowledge and then recommend courses to be taken in preparation for Step 2.
2. **Preliminary Counseling Exam and Program of Study:** To be eligible for advanced study, a student must demonstrate competence in operations research fundamentals by passing the preliminary counseling examination. This exam is oral and is administered by three faculty members. Particular emphasis will be given to the material covered in the following courses: EMIS 7362, 7370, 8360 and 8361.
3. **Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Advanced Coursework:** Upon completion of the preliminary counseling exam, the student develops a proposed program of study that meets the degree requirements in Section II and includes the planned advanced coursework. Based upon the proposed program of study, a supervisory committee is formed. The supervisory committee makes any needed adjustments to the program of study. Changes in the program of study are subject to approval by the supervisory committee. Step 3 requires completion of the forms Recommendation and Certification of Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Doctoral Degree Plan. (All forms are available for downloading at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).)
4. **Qualifying Examination:** At or near the completion of the coursework, the supervisory committee conducts the qualifying examination. This exam ordinarily involves a series of take-home exams, but the format is left to the discretion of the supervisory committee. The qualifying examination is concluded by an oral exam at which time the student is expected to present a proposal for the dissertation. A written proposal must be given to the supervisory committee prior to the oral exam. Upon passing this exam, the student is admitted to doctoral candidacy. Step 4 requires completion of the form Admission to Candidacy.
5. **Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Advanced Coursework:** Upon completion of the preliminary counseling exam, the student develops a proposed program of study that meets the degree requirements in Section II and includes the planned advanced coursework. Based upon the proposed program of study, a supervisory committee is formed. The supervisory committee makes any needed adjustments to the program of study. Changes in the program of study are subject to approval by the supervisory committee. Step 3 requires completion of the forms Recommendation and Certification of Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Doctoral Degree Plan. (All forms are available for downloading at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).)
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7. **Dissertation Defense:** The most distinguishing characteristic of a program leading to the Ph.D. degree is the requirement that the candidate write a dissertation embodying the results of a significant and original investigation. The dissertation must make a significant contribution to the operations research discipline, and it is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing. The defense, which is conducted orally, must enable the supervisory committee to satisfy itself that the dissertation is an original piece of research work that it has been carried out in keeping with the highest standards of investigation and reporting and that it makes a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the

scientific community. Satisfactory performance on this defense constitutes the last academic requirement to be met for the Ph.D. degree. Step 5 requires completion of the form Report on Thesis or Dissertation and/or Final Examination.

## Admission Requirements

1. A master's degree in engineering, mathematics, computer science, economics or a related technical field from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a minimum GPA of 3.400 on a 4.000 scale.
3. Previous coursework that includes satisfactory completion of at least nine credit hours of calculus, three credit hours of linear algebra and three credit hours of computer programming in a high-level language. (Typically, a Bachelor of Business Administration does not provide sufficient background.)
4. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of appropriate application fee.
5. Official GRE graduate school admission test results with a minimum 80th-percentile quantitative score.
6. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
7. Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency score before being considered for admission as follows:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. A minimum of 54 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree, plus 24 credit hours of dissertation credit.
2. The 54 credit hours also must include a 12 credit hour minor. Acceptable minors include systems engineering, engineering management, information engineering, computer science, mathematics, statistics, economics, telecommunications or another engineering area. The courses for the minor must be different from the required courses, except for MATH 5316, which can be part of a minor in mathematics.
3. Satisfactory completion of the preliminary counseling examination, an oral exam covering operations research fundamentals. Skills tested include those developed in these courses: EMIS 7362, EMIS 7370, EMIS 8360 and EMIS 8361. This exam should be taken after the student has completed 18 credit hours.
4. Satisfactory completion of the doctoral qualifying examination. This exam should be taken after the majority of the coursework has been completed.
5. Satisfactory completion and defense of the doctoral dissertation.

Required courses are

- MATH 5316 - Introduction to Matrix Computation
- EMIS 7361 - Computer Simulation Techniques
- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming
- EMIS 8372/STAT 6372 - Queueing Theory

- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming
- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support

## Sample Minors

### Systems Engineering

- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- EMIS 7303 - Integrated Risk Management
- EMIS 7305 - Systems Reliability and Availability Analysis
- EMIS 7307 - Systems Integration and Test

### Engineering Management

- EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

### Information Engineering

- EMIS 7351 - Enterprise Fundamentals
- EMIS 7352 - Information Systems Architecture
- EMIS 7353 - Information System Design Strategies
- EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies

## Systems Engineering, Ph.D.

In addition to the five steps below, process details and other requirements for the Ph.D. degree may be found elsewhere in the SMU Lyle School of Engineering Graduate Catalog. The steps for completion of the doctoral program are

1. **Basic Coursework:** Upon entry into the Ph.D. program, a student is assigned an academic adviser. The adviser will examine the student's prior background and current state of knowledge and then recommend courses to be taken in preparation for Step 2.
2. **Preliminary Counseling Exam and Program of Study:** To be eligible for advanced study, a student must demonstrate competence in systems engineering fundamentals by passing the preliminary counseling examination. This exam is oral and is administered by three faculty members. Particular emphasis will be given to the material covered in the following courses: EMIS 7301, EMIS 7303, EMIS 7305 and EMIS 7307.
3. **Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Advanced Coursework:** Upon completion of the preliminary counseling exam, the student develops a proposed program of study that meets the degree requirements in Section II and includes the planned advanced coursework. Based upon the proposed program of study, a supervisory committee is formed. The supervisory committee makes any needed adjustments to the program of study. Changes in the program of study are subject to approval by the supervisory committee. Step 3 requires completion of the forms Recommendation and Certification of Appointment of Supervisory Committee and Doctoral Degree Plan. (All forms are available for downloading at [www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS](http://www.smu.edu/Lyle/Departments/EMIS).)
4. **Qualifying Examination:** At or near the completion of the coursework, the supervisory committee conducts the qualifying examination. This exam ordinarily involves a series of take-home exams, but the format is left to the

discretion of the supervisory committee. The qualifying examination is concluded by an oral exam at which time the student is expected to present a proposal for the dissertation. A written proposal must be given to the supervisory committee prior to the oral exam. Upon passing this exam, the student is admitted to doctoral candidacy. Step 4 requires completion of the form Admission to Candidacy.

5. **Dissertation Defense:** The most distinguishing characteristic of a program leading to the Ph.D. degree is the requirement that the candidate write a dissertation embodying the results of a significant and original investigation. The dissertation must make a significant contribution to the systems engineering discipline, and it is expected to be a mature and competent piece of writing. The defense, which is conducted orally, must enable the supervisory committee to satisfy itself that the dissertation is an original piece of research work that it has been carried out in keeping with the highest standards of investigation and reporting and that it makes a contribution to knowledge that is of value to the scientific community. Satisfactory performance on this defense constitutes the last academic requirement to be met for the Ph.D. degree. Step 5 requires completion of the form Report on Thesis or Dissertation and/or Final Examination.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants must satisfy these requirements:

1. A master's degree in systems engineering or a related field including aerospace engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, engineering management, environmental engineering, civil engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, mathematics, operations research, statistics or physics from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a minimum GPA of 3.400 on a 4.000 scale.
3. A completed application, including a statement of research intent, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies and payment of the application fee.
4. Official GRE graduate school admission test results with a minimum 80th-percentile quantitative score.
5. A minimum of two years of college-level mathematics, including at least one year of calculus.
6. A minimum of three years of engineering experience in industry and/or government.
7. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
8. Graduates from foreign countries are required to submit a notarized financial certification form. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must submit a minimum TOEFL English language proficiency score before being considered for admission as follows:
  - 550 – paper-based examination.
  - 213 – computer-based examination.
  - 80 – Internet-based examination.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following minimum credit requirements:

1. Thirty credit hours of core systems engineering courses. These credit hours must come from required graduate-level courses in systems, as specified in this section.
2. Fifteen credit hours in an approved major that is related to a specific systems engineering focus area and consistent with anticipated doctoral research. No more than six credit hours can be independent study.
3. Nine credit hours in an approved minor supporting the chosen research area. These credit hours can come from graduate-level courses in EMIS or other departments. The minor requirement may also be satisfied by transfer credit subject to SMU's Transfer of Credit Policy.
4. Twenty-four credit hours for the dissertation. These credit hours must be taken in residence. The student enrolls for these credit hours in the course of writing the dissertation.

In addition, at least 18 credit hours of the 54 credit hour coursework minimum must be at the 8000 level. There must be a minimum of 24 credit hours of graduate coursework and a minimum of 24 credit hours of dissertation work, none of which have been nor can be applied to any other degree.

## Core Courses

The 10 required courses are

- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- EMIS 7303 - Integrated Risk Management
- EMIS 7305 - Systems Reliability and Availability Analysis
- EMIS 7307 - Systems Integration and Test
- EMIS 7317 - Systems Engineering Leadership
- EMIS 7319 - Systems Architecture Development
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models

## Focus Areas

### Systems Design and Development

- CSE 7316 - Software Requirements
- CSE 7319 - Software Architecture and Design
- CSE 7347 - XML and the Enterprise
- CSE 8314 - Software Metrics and Quality Engineering
- CSE 8317 - Software Reliability and Safety
- CSE 8340 - Advanced Topics in Software Engineering
- EMIS 7309 - Systems Reliability Engineering
- EMIS 7311 - Systems Engineering Design
- EMIS 7323 - Systems Life Cycle Cost and Affordability Analysis
- EMIS 7325 - Systems Engineering Software Tools

### Leadership and Management

- CSE 7315 - Software Project Planning and Management
- EMIS 7321 - Systems Engineering Planning and Management
- EMIS 7365 - Program and Project Management
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management
- EMIS 8368 - Enterprise Leadership
- ME 7303 - Organizational Leadership
- ME 7369 - Innovation Management

### Logistics and Supply Systems

- CEE 7371 - Facility Financial and Asset Management
- CEE 8379 - Analysis of Transportation Systems

- EMIS 7313 - Integrated Logistics Support
- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis

## Systems Analysis and Optimization

- EMIS 7361 - Computer Simulation Techniques
- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming
- EMIS 8372 - Queueing Theory
- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows
- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support
- EMIS 8380 - Mathematics for Optimization

## **Engineering Entrepreneurship, M.S.**

### Overview

The Master of Science in Engineering Entrepreneurship is a two-semester (31 semester credit hours) cohort based program in the EMIS Department of the Lyle School of Engineering offered in concert with Lyle (19 SCH) and the Cox School of Business (12 SCH). Incoming students should have an engineering undergraduate degree (or equivalent).

A graduate of the SMU M.S. in engineering entrepreneurship will be an engineer who looks at the role of new technology in society with a business perspective. That graduate will have the ability to apply that knowledge to bring new technology to the marketplace. The program thus fills the growing regional and national need for exceptionally trained engineering managers and entrepreneurs to start and to lead new technology ventures.

Rigorous, formal, successful courses with proven impact will be offered by the Cox School in entrepreneurship knowledge and practice. Management in an engineering context will be taught in well-established courses in Lyle's EMIS department. A third anchor for the M.S. in engineering entrepreneurship will be a new course offering that will be unique to SMU. The two-semester Technology Commercialization Studio will:

- Focus on the management of products with high technology content;
- Encourage the incubation of novel technology from students, and from SMU's research laboratories;
- Include C-level mentors from successful small and medium sized engineering firms and venture capital firms; and,
- Feature lectures from experts in intellectual property, legal aspects of businesses, ethics, financing, fundraising, sales and other subject matter vital to the practice of engineering entrepreneurship.

Students in the program will also have the ability to add to their engineering expertise, particularly in topics relevant to their entrepreneurial aspirations.

### Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirement: a B.S. in engineering or another technical discipline.

## Core Courses

- CISB 6222 - Starting a Business
- CISB 6226 - Evaluating Entrepreneurial Opportunity
- EMIS 7501 - Technology Commercialization Studio I
- EMIS 7503 - Technology Commercialization Studio II
- STRA 6224 - Entrepreneurial Strategy
- Satisfactory completion of one three hour course from any Lyle graduate program, approved by the adviser

## Three from the following:

- BAEX 6237 - Global Explorations in Entrepreneurship
- CISB 6210 - Essential Law for the Entrepreneur
- CISB 6211 - Enhancing Operational Performance for Entrepreneurial Companies
- CISB 6212 - International Entrepreneurship
- CISB 6214 - Law of Financial Transactions for Entrepreneurs
- CISB 6218 - Managing the Family-Owned and Closely Held Business
- CISB 6220 - Social Media for Entrepreneurs
- CISB 6224 - Venture Financing
- CISB 6225 - Entrepreneurial Exit Strategies: LPO, Sale, IPO, Recapitalization, and Liquidation
- CISB 6228 - Corporate Entrepreneurship: Intrapreneuring

## Two from the following:

- CEE 8326 - Sustainable Development
- EMIS 7351 - Enterprise Fundamentals
- EMIS 7365 - Program and Project Management
- EMIS 7366 - Marketing Engineering
- EMIS 8358 - Technical Entrepreneurship
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

## **Engineering Management, M.S.E.M.**

The M.S.E.M. was developed for individuals who have an undergraduate technical degree and are or will be rising through management or starting their own company. The engineering management degree is designed to impart essential knowledge for today and tomorrow's technology-driven business.

The M.S.E.M. program develops expertise in the traditional graduate business areas – finance and accounting – along with pace-setting, innovative expertise in information engineering, global perspectives, leadership and entrepreneurship. This well-rounded approach prepares individuals for success in the new world of techno-business with its challenges and opportunities.

A special feature of the engineering management program is its interaction with allied areas such as operations research, mathematics, science, engineering, computer science and statistics. Excellent faculty members from these areas participate in the department's activities, and students take courses from several areas depending upon their interests.



# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirement: a B.S. in engineering or another technical discipline.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

### Core Courses

Satisfactory completion of five core courses:

- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

### Economic/Financial Courses

Satisfactory completion of two economic/financial courses from the following:

- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance

### Concentration Courses

- Satisfactory completion of a coherent nine credit hour concentration approved by the adviser.

## **Information Engineering and Management, M.S.I.E.M.**

Information engineering is the blending of engineering principles and best business practices to create and manage high-quality, effective and possibly strategic information infrastructures for an organization. The M.S.I.E.M. curriculum, designed in consultation with industry, covers topics in computer and telecommunications hardware and software, systems engineering, operations research, information technology strategy, global considerations and engineering management. It develops students' technical and managerial expertise in information technology and its design and application.

# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirement: a bachelor's degree in engineering or another technical discipline. (The technical requirement may be waived with sufficient relevant work experience.)

# Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

1. Satisfactory completion of seven required core courses (21 credit hours).
2. Satisfactory completion of three electives (nine credit hours).

## Curriculum

The M.S.I.E.M. course requirements are structured in four pedagogical groups, and students are encouraged to schedule their degree, by group, in the following order.

### Enterprise and Information Systems Fundamentals

Foundational courses on enterprise and information systems fundamentals (nine credit hours):

- EMIS 7351 - Enterprise Fundamentals
- EMIS 7352 - Information Systems Architecture
- EMIS 7353 - Information System Design Strategies

### Information Systems and the Management of Operations

Foundational courses on concepts to the construction of information systems and the management of operations (six credit hours):

- EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies
- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering

### In-Depth Courses

- EMIS 8356 - Information Engineering and Global Perspectives
- EMIS 7357 - Analytics for Decision Support

### Focus Courses

Focus courses, for broadening or specialization to specific interests, applications or industries. A nine credit hour elective set, approved by the adviser, which can include

- EMIS 8358 - Technical Entrepreneurship
- EMIS 7359 - Information Engineering Seminar
- Other EMIS, computer science or engineering courses

## Operations Research, M.S.

Operations research is the study of technical and analytical tools for management decision making. The growth of the field is closely linked to developments in computing capabilities. The analyst must have a solid working knowledge of computers to

manage and process enormous amounts of information vital to the daily activities of a modern complex organization. The program is designed to prepare graduates for industrial and governmental opportunities in management consulting, transportation, telecommunications, aerospace, defense, manufacturing, logistics and the service industries.

## Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

1. A B.S. in engineering, mathematics, computer science, economics or a related technical field.
2. Previous coursework that includes satisfactory completion of at least six credit hours of calculus, three credit hours of linear algebra and three credit hours of computer programming in a high-level language. (Generally, a Bachelor of Business Administration does not provide sufficient background.)

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

### Probability and Statistics

Satisfactory completion of one of the following probability and statistics courses:

- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers  
or
- EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments

### All of the Following

And the following three core courses:

- EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
- EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming

### In-Depth Courses

Satisfactory completion of three of the following in-depth courses:

- EMIS 7331 - Data Mining
- EMIS 7361 - Computer Simulation Techniques
- EMIS 7373 - Supply Chain Operation and Control
- EMIS 8331 - Advanced Data Mining
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- STAT 6372/EMIS 8372 - Queueing Theory
- EMIS 8370 - Stochastic Models
- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming
- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows

- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support
- EMIS 8380 - Mathematics for Optimization
- EMIS 8381 - Nonlinear Programming
- EMIS 8383 - Advanced Logistics Networks

## Concentration Courses

Satisfactory completion of a nine-credit-hour concentration. These concentration courses must be from the same area and must be approved by the adviser. Acceptable areas are optimization, systems engineering, engineering management, information engineering, computer science, mathematics, statistics, telecommunications or another engineering discipline. Sample concentration areas (with suggested courses) are

### Optimization

- EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming
- EMIS 8374 - Network Flows
- EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support
- EMIS 8380 - Mathematics for Optimization
- EMIS 8381 - Nonlinear Programming

### Systems Engineering

- EMIS 7300 - Systems Analysis Methods
- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- EMIS 7303 - Integrated Risk Management
- EMIS 7305 - Systems Reliability and Availability Analysis
- EMIS 7307 - Systems Integration and Test

### Engineering Management

- EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies
- EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis
- EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting
- EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance
- EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management

### Information Engineering

- EMIS 7351 - Enterprise Fundamentals
- EMIS 7352 - Information Systems Architecture
- EMIS 7353 - Information System Design Strategies
- EMIS 7357 - Analytics for Decision Support
- EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies

## **Systems Engineering, M.S.**

A more general definition of systems engineering by the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) is: "Systems Engineering is an interdisciplinary approach and means to enable the realization of successful systems. It focuses on defining customer needs and required functionality early in the development cycle, documenting requirements, then proceeding with design synthesis and system validation while considering the complete problem: Operations, Performance, Test, Manufacturing, Cost & Schedule, Training & Support and Disposal. Systems engineering integrates all the disciplines and specialty groups into a team effort forming a structured development process that proceeds from concept to production to operation. Systems engineering considers both the business and the technical needs of all customers with the goal of providing a quality product that meets the user needs."

In alignment with the above definition, the goal of systems engineering is the development and management of systems (products and services) that satisfy customer requirements considering engineering, technology, environmental, management, risk and economic factors by viewing the system as a whole during its life cycle. Systems engineering is also the practice of "good engineering." Through systems engineering and related courses, the student gains a foundation in systems engineering plus exposure to a variety of topics such as reliability, quality, logistics/supply networks, operations research, engineering management, software engineering, telecommunications and environmental engineering. "Systems thinking" skills are developed, and these skills foster more effective practice for the engineer or engineering manager within the business enterprise. The systems engineering program's objective is to make the student a better engineer and manager by imparting an enhanced understanding of the impact of engineering decisions.

The program has been developed in response to the growing need by industry and government for engineers who are not only specialists in a particular area, but who also have a systems perspective in order to more effectively practice engineering and manage within the business enterprise. The program offers flexibility for 1) systems engineers who are entering the field, updating skills or acquiring new skills, 2) engineers who need to acquire a broadening of their technical and management education from a systems perspective, 3) engineers with upper-level management aspirations and 4) engineering students seeking to increase their market value by acquiring knowledge and skills necessary for the engineering of products and services from a systems perspective.

The systems engineering program is designed to build on engineering/technical education and experience while developing problem definition and problem-solving skills.

## **Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

1. A B.S. in engineering, mathematics or one of the quantitative sciences. (A B.S. in an appropriate engineering discipline is required for the systems engineering and design track.)
2. A minimum of two years of college-level mathematics, including at least one year of calculus.

## **Degree Requirements**

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following additional requirements:

## Courses

Satisfactory completion of the following courses:

- EMIS 7300 - Systems Analysis Methods  
or
- EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers  
or
- EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models
  
- EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process
- EMIS 7303 - Integrated Risk Management
- EMIS 7305 - Systems Reliability and Availability Analysis
- EMIS 7307 - Systems Integration and Test
- EMIS 7309 - Systems Reliability Engineering
- EMIS 7311 - Systems Engineering Design

## Tracks

Satisfactory completion of one of the following tracks:

### On-Campus/Distance Education Track

Satisfactory completion of any three of the following courses:

- EMIS 7313 - Integrated Logistics Support (ILS)
- EMIS 7315 - Systems Quality Engineering
- EMIS 7317 - Systems Engineering Leadership
- *Or other elective courses from Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Operations Research, or Computer Science as approved by the Systems Engineering Program Director.*

### Cohort Track

Satisfactory completion of any three of the following courses:

- EMIS 7313 - Integrated Logistics Support
- EMIS 7315 - Systems Quality Engineering
- EMIS 7317 - Systems Engineering Leadership
- EMIS 7319 - Systems Architecture Development
- EMIS 7321 - Systems Engineering Planning and Management
- EMIS 7323 - Systems Life Cycle Cost and Affordability Analysis
- EMIS 7325 - Systems Engineering Software Tools
- *Or other elective courses from Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Operations Research, or Computer Science as approved by the Systems Engineering Program Director and management from the student's organization.*

## Courses:

### **EMIS 7049 - Master's Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

Full-time status for students in the master's program.

### **EMIS 7300 - Systems Analysis Methods**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to modeling and analysis concepts, methods and techniques used in systems engineering, design of products and associated production, and logistics systems and analysis of operational system performance. Specific topics include probabilistic and statistical methods, Monte Carlo simulation, optimization techniques, applications of utility and game theory, and decision analysis. EMIS 7300 cannot be used to fulfill degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Management Science.

### **EMIS 7301 - Systems Engineering Process**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the discipline, theory, economics, and methodology of systems engineering. Reviews the historical evolution of the practice of systems engineering and the principles that underpin modern systems methods. Emphasizes the economic benefits of investment in systems engineering and the risks of failure to adhere to sound principles. Develops an overview perspective distinct from the traditional design- and analytical-specific disciplines.

### **EMIS 7303 - Integrated Risk Management**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to risk management based upon integrated trade studies of program performance, cost, and schedule requirements. Topics include risk planning, risk identification and assessment, risk handling and abatement techniques, risk impact analysis, management of risk handling and abatement, and subcontractor risk management. Examines integrated risk management methods, procedures, and tools.

### **EMIS 7305 - Systems Reliability and Availability Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Reliability and availability modeling and analysis methods are applied to perform cost-effectiveness analysis during development of aerospace and defense systems, as well other types of systems. Topics include systems reliability and availability models and analysis methods; requirements analysis to determine fleet size; system effectiveness and life cycle cost analysis methods; and analysis of systems mission reliability, sustainment reliability and systems availability, both inherent and operational, during design and development of a product and associated support system. Prerequisites: EMIS 3361 or EMIS 7300 or EMIS 7370 or EMIS 8360.

### **EMIS 7307 - Systems Integration and Test**

*Credits: 3*

The process of successively synthesizing and validating larger and larger segments of a partitioned system within a controlled and instrumented framework is examined. System integration and test is the structured process of building a complete system from its individual elements and is the final step in the development of a fully functional system. The significance of structuring and controlling integration and test activities is stressed. Formal methodologies for describing and measuring test coverage, as well as sufficiency and logical closure for test completeness, are presented. Interactions with system modeling techniques and

risk management techniques are discussed. The subject material is based upon principles of specific engineering disciplines and best practices, which form a comprehensive basis for organizing, analyzing, and conducting integration and test activities.

## **EMIS 7309 - Systems Reliability Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

An in-depth coverage of processes, tasks, methods, and techniques for achieving and maintaining the required level of system reliability considering operational performance, customer needs, and affordability. Topics include establishing systems reliability requirements, reliability program planning, system reliability modeling and analysis, system reliability design guidelines and analysis, system reliability test and evaluation, and maintaining inherent system reliability during production and operation. Prerequisite: EMIS 7305.

## **EMIS 7311 - Systems Engineering Design**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to system design of complex hardware and software systems. Includes design concept, design characterization, design elements, reviews, verification and validation, threads and incremental design, unknowns, performance, management of design, design metrics and teams. Centers on the development of real-world examples. Prerequisite: EMIS 7301.

## **EMIS 7313 - Integrated Logistics Support**

*Credits: 3*

Integrated Logistics Support is an integrated and iterative process to (1) influence product design for supportability and (2) design and develop the support (logistics) system concurrently with design and development of the product as an integral element of the systems engineering process. Topics include product design interface for reliability; maintainability and maintenance (i.e.: preventive, predictive and corrective) planning; and support system development consisting of supply support, support and test equipment, manpower and personnel, training and training support, technical data/publications, computer resources support, facilities; and packaging, handling, storage, and transportation (PHS&T). Prerequisites: EMIS 7305 and EMIS 7311.

## **EMIS 7315 - Systems Quality Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to concepts, activities, processes, and methods as an integral part of the systems engineering process for developing, producing, and sustaining products that meet customer quality needs. Topics include establishing program and product quality requirements and methods for achieving product quality requirements during design, development and production, voice of the customer analysis, analysis of product design tolerances, six-sigma techniques, statistical analysis of process capability, statistical process control using control charts, acceptance sampling, and quality improvement. Prerequisite: EMIS 7301.

## **EMIS 7317 - Systems Engineering Leadership**

*Credits: 3*

Augments the management principles embedded in the systems engineering process with process design and leadership principles and practices. Emphasis is placed on leadership principles by introducing the underlying behavioral science components, theories and models. Demonstrates how the elements of systems engineering, project management, process design, and leadership integrate into an effective leadership system. Prerequisite: EMIS 7301.

## **EMIS 7319 - Systems Architecture Development**

*Credits: 3*

A design-based methodological approach to system architecture development using emerging and current enterprise architecture



frameworks. Topics include structured analysis and object-oriented analysis and design approaches; enterprise architecture frameworks, including the Zachman framework, FEAF, DoDAF, and ANSI/IEEE-1471; executable architecture model approaches as tools for system-level performance evaluation and tradeoff analyses; case studies in enterprise architecture development; and the integration of architecture design processes into the larger engineering-of-systems environment. Prerequisites: EMIS 7311 and EMIS 7313.

## **EMIS 7321 - Systems Engineering Planning and Management**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a practical coverage of tasks, processes, methods, and techniques to establish the process of systems engineering and its role in the planning and management of programs. Explores the program manager's and systems engineer's tasks and roles for establishing program operations and a communications framework. Presents techniques for developing an integrated program and/or project plan by defining the role of the systems integrator and identifying useful tools for planning and managing systems integration of various sized projects. The student learns to prepare for and successfully complete key program milestone reviews by identifying essential material content and providing the design basis. Examines the systems development process by showing ways to plan for and manage change by implementing methods for configuration, change, and risk management. Also, how the program life cycle is concluded by planning the transition of systems engineering processes from development to production and field support. Prerequisites: EMIS 7301, EMIS 7311, EMIS 7313.

## **EMIS 7323 - Systems Life Cycle Cost and Affordability Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Provides an understanding of Systems affordability concepts and the life cycle cost process. Examines the importance of using these concepts in optimizing engineering/business decisions, with emphasis being placed on the evaluation of alternatives, weighing costs, risks, reliability, maintainability, supportability, weight, performance, and other benefit/risk parameters. Topics include total ownership cost, estimating methods and techniques, cost analysis process, system trade studies, sensitivity analysis, risk analysis and simulation, and system cost effectiveness. Prerequisites: EMIS 7301, EMIS 7311, EMIS 7313.

## **EMIS 7325 - Systems Engineering Software Tools**

*Credits: 3*

Computerized tools perform the vital function of capturing and delivering Systems Engineering information throughout the product development life cycle. This course surveys the many tools, methods, and techniques that are applied to engineering systems from inception to disposal: scope/needs evaluation, requirements analysis, functional and physical allocation, optimization, test validation/verification, and product management. Hands-on use of systems engineering software will enable students to identify and apply appropriate tools through the life cycle of a product they develop. Prerequisites: EMIS 7301, EMIS 7311, and EMIS 7313.

## **EMIS 7330 - File Organization and Database Management**

*Credits: 3*

A survey of current database approaches and systems; principles of design and use of these systems. Query language design, implementation constraints. Applications of large databases. Includes a survey of file structures and access techniques. Use of a relational DBMS to implement a database design project. Prerequisite: CSE 3358.

## **EMIS 7331 - Data Mining**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces data mining techniques (classification, association analysis, and cluster analysis) used in analytics. All material covered is reinforced through hands-on experience using state-of-the art tools to design and execute data mining processes. Prerequisites: CSE 1342 or equivalent, CSE 4340/EMIS 3340/STAT 4340, or CSE 7370/EMIS 7370.

## **EMIS 7350 - Algorithm Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Algorithm design techniques. Methods for evaluating algorithm efficiency. Data structure specification and implementation. Applications to fundamental computational problems in sorting and selection, graphs and networks, scheduling and combinatorial optimization, computational geometry, arithmetic and matrix computation. Introduction to parallel algorithms. Introduction to computational complexity and a survey of NP-complete problems. Prerequisite: CSE 3358 (for non-CSE graduate students: CSE 7311 or 3358).

## **EMIS 7351 - Enterprise Fundamentals**

*Credits: 3*

An overview of business fundamentals, spanning the range of all functional areas: management, marketing, operations, accounting, information systems, finance, and legal studies.

## **EMIS 7352 - Information Systems Architecture**

*Credits: 3*

The architecture of an information system (IS) defines that system in terms of components and interactions among those components. This course addresses IS hardware and communications elements for information engineers, including computer networking and distributed computing. It addresses the principles, foundation technologies, standards, trends, and current practices in developing an appropriate architecture for Web-based and non-Internet information systems.

## **EMIS 7353 - Information System Design Strategies**

*Credits: 3*

Surveys the fundamentals of software engineering and database management systems for information engineers. Covers the principles, foundation technologies, standards, trends, and current practices in data-centric software engineering and systems design, including object-oriented approaches and relational DBMS. Focuses on system design, development, and implementation aspects, and not the implementation in code.

## **EMIS 7355 - Engineering Operations**

*Credits: 3*

The management of a technical organization's operations can contribute to the strategic goals and objectives of the enterprise. By analyzing and managing operations such as systems, strategic choices are shown to drive design and operating decisions. The course covers the tools and techniques for solving problems to achieve the overall goals and strategies of manufacturing and services organizations.

## **EMIS 7357 - Analytics for Decision Support**

*Credits: 3*

In a rapidly changing, complex environment, successful enterprises make mission-critical choices using decision-support systems, which apply analytical methods to massive organizational data sets to evaluate options, give insight to likely outcomes, and make recommendations of the "best" decisions to pursue. Course topics include 1) framing and understanding decision-making needs and processes to define, evaluate, and identify appropriate strategic, operational, or execution-level decisions; 2) identifying, collecting, and managing large-scale data needed for decision support; and 3) employing decision-support software in areas such as optimization and data mining.

## **EMIS 7359 - Information Engineering Seminar**

*Credits: 3*

Topics in management of information in specific industries or application areas. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: EMIS 7360.

## **EMIS 7360 - Management of Information Technologies**

*Credits: 3*

Defines the management activities of the overall computer resources within an organization or government entity. Consists of current topics in strategic planning of computer resources, budgeting and fiscal controls, design and development of information systems, personnel management, project management, rapid prototyping, and system life cycles.

## **EMIS 7361 - Computer Simulation Techniques**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to the design and analysis of discrete probabilistic systems using simulation. Emphasizes model construction and a simulation language. Prerequisites: Programming ability, introduction to probability or statistics.

## **EMIS 7362 - Production Systems Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Applies the principles of engineering, or "design under constraint," to modern production systems. Topics include production systems analysis and design considerations, system design and optimization models and methods, pull- and push-based production systems, quality engineering, and process improvement. Also, techniques for engineering and managing systems with specific architectures: batch-oriented, continuous-flow, projects, and just-in-time. Prerequisite: EMIS 8360 recommended.

## **EMIS 7363 - Applied Parallel Programming**

*Credits: 3*

Surveys the theory and emphasizes the practice of developing efficient applications software for parallel computers. Topics include a survey of parallel processing architectures and machines, elements of parallel programming (process creation, synchronization, communication, and scheduling), alternative parallel programming schemes (languages and language enhancements), and implementation of scientific and industrial applications. Prerequisite: FORTRAN or C programming.

## **EMIS 7365 - Program and Project Management**

*Credits: 3*

Development of principles and practical strategies for managing projects and programs of related projects for achieving broad goals. Topics include planning, organizing, scheduling, resource allocation, strategies, risk management, quality, communications, tools, and leadership for projects and programs.

## **EMIS 7366 - Marketing Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Marketing engineering moves beyond traditional conceptual approaches to embrace the use of analytics, data, information technology, and decision models to help organizations effectively reach customers and make marketing decisions. Designed for technical individuals, the course applies engineering problem-solving approaches and computer tools to solve marketing problems from today's competitive work environment.

## **EMIS 7370 - Probability and Statistics for Scientists and Engineers**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to fundamentals of probability, probability distributions, and statistical techniques used by engineers and physical scientists. Topics include basic concepts and rules of probability, random variables, probability distributions, expectation and variance, sampling and sampling distributions, statistical analysis techniques, statistical inference estimation and tests of hypothesis, correlation and regression, and analysis of variance. Prerequisite: Knowledge of calculus required.

## **EMIS 7373 - Supply Chain Operation and Control**

*Credits: 3*

Quantitative models and approaches for operating and managing modern supply chain systems and practices with an emphasis on capacity management, production/supply planning, inventory control, distribution, and pricing applications. Prerequisites: EMIS 7370 and EMIS 8360.

## **EMIS 7377 - Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to statistical principles in the design and analysis of industrial experiments. Completely randomized, randomized complete and incomplete block, Latin square, and Plackett-Burman screening designs. Complete and fractional experiments. Descriptive and inferential statistics. Analysis of variance models. Mean comparisons. Prerequisites: EMIS 4340 and senior standing with a science or engineering major, or permission of instructor.

## **EMIS 7380 - Managing Information Technology Controls**

*Credits: 3*

Surveys current practices in IT governance and controls, with approaches for balancing business needs with technology controls for high-risk processes. Major topic areas include introduction to technology controls, the process of IT governance, systems and infrastructure life cycle management, IT delivery and support, and records management. Prerequisite: EMIS 7360.

## **EMIS 7382 - Information Technology Security and Risk Management**

*Credits: 3*

A course for nontechnical managers and executives with decision-making responsibility in information security governance and risk management. Topics include information security organizations and policies, governance, program development and management, information risk management, legal and regulatory compliance, and business continuity planning.

## **EMIS 7390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering management, operations research, and/or systems engineering. Topics must be approved by the department chair and the instructor.

## **EMIS 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **EMIS 7501 - Technology Commercialization Studio I**

*Credits: 5*

Topics essential to the commercialization of new technology and the management of products with high technology content including customer discovery, product definition and requirements, development strategies, manufacturing strategies, sales and marketing, costing and pricing, product planning and capturing the right "design win". Pedagogy will include lectures and discussions led by experts in intellectual property, legal aspects of businesses, ethics, financing, fundraising, sales and other capacities vital to the practice of engineering entrepreneurship; case studies; and an experiential learning project in technology commercialization undertaken across two semesters.

## **EMIS 7503 - Technology Commercialization Studio II**

*Credits: 5*

Topics essential to the commercialization of new technology and the management of products with high technology content including customer discovery, product definition and requirements, development strategies, manufacturing strategies, sales and marketing, costing and pricing, product planning and capturing the right "design win". Pedagogy will include lectures and discussions led by experts in intellectual property, legal aspects of businesses, ethics, financing, fundraising, sales and other capacities vital to the practice of engineering entrepreneurship; case studies; and an experiential learning project in technology commercialization undertaken across two semesters.

## **EMIS 8049 - Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

Graduate full-time status.

## **EMIS 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, EMIS 8396 and EMIS 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **EMIS 8190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in operations research, engineering management, systems engineering or information engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **EMIS 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, EMIS 8396 and EMIS 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **EMIS 8296 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit

of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, EMIS 8396 and EMIS 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

### **EMIS 8330 - Advanced Database Management Systems**

*Credits: 3*

An extensive investigation of distributed databases and implementation issues. Included are design, data replication, concurrency control, and recovery. Implementation project included. Prerequisite: EMIS 7330.

### **EMIS 8331 - Advanced Data Mining**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a review of several data mining topics and an in-depth technical discussion of advanced data mining techniques. Examines research methods applied in the field. Prerequisite: EMIS 7331.

### **EMIS 8337 - Information Retrieval**

*Credits: 3*

Examination of techniques used to store and retrieve unformatted/textual data. Examination of current research topics of data mining, data warehousing, digital libraries, hypertext, and multimedia data. Prerequisite: EMIS 7330.

### **EMIS 8350 - Algorithms II**

*Credits: 3*

Analysis of dynamic data structures, lower bound theory, problem equivalence and reducibility, complexity theory, probabilistic algorithms, machine models of sequential and parallel computation, parallel algorithms. Prerequisite: EMIS 7350.

### **EMIS 8355 - Graph Theory**

*Credits: 3*

Development of algorithmic and computational aspects of graph theory, with application of concepts and techniques to solving problems of connectivity, set covering, scheduling, shortest paths, traveling salesmen, network flow, matching, and assignment. Prerequisite: EMIS 7350 or permission of instructor.

### **EMIS 8356 - Information Engineering and Global Perspectives**

*Credits: 3*

Examines global and information aspects of technology-based and information-based companies. Includes modern business processes, the strategic use of information technology, and integration of global information resources for competitive advantage. Prerequisite: EMIS 7360.

### **EMIS 8358 - Technical Entrepreneurship**

*Credits: 3*

Development of principles and practical strategies for the management and evolution of rapidly growing technical endeavors. Topics include entrepreneurship, intrapreneurship, strategic planning, finance, marketing sales, operations, research and development, manufacturing, and management of technology-based companies. Management teams are formed, and ventures are selected and simulated over an extended period of time. Extensive student presentations and reports are required. Credit will not be given for both CSE 4360 and EMIS 8358. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **EMIS 8360 - Operations Research Models**

*Credits: 3*

A survey of models and methods of operations research. Deterministic and stochastic models in a variety of areas will be covered. Credit is not allowed for both EMIS 3360 and EMIS 8360. Prerequisites: A knowledge of linear algebra and an introduction to probability and statistics.

## **EMIS 8361 - Engineering Economics and Decision Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Introduction to economic analysis methodology. Topics include engineering economy and cost concepts, interest formulas and equivalence, economic analysis of alternatives, technical rate-of-return analysis, and economic analysis under risk and uncertainty. Credit not allowed for both EMIS 2360 and EMIS 8361. Prerequisite: Knowledge of introductory probability and statistics.

## **EMIS 8362 - Engineering Accounting**

*Credits: 3*

An introduction to and overview of financial and managerial accounting for engineering management. Topics include basic accounting concepts and terminology; preparation and interpretation of financial statements; and uses of accounting information for planning, budgeting, decision-making, control, and quality improvement. The focus is on concepts and applications in industry today.

## **EMIS 8363 - Engineering Finance**

*Credits: 3*

Develops an understanding of corporate financial decisions for engineers. Topics include cost of capital, capital budgeting, capital structure theory and policy, working capital management, financial analysis and planning, and multinational finance. Prerequisite: EMIS 8361 or a knowledge of time value of money.

## **EMIS 8364 - Engineering Management**

*Credits: 3*

Ways to manage technology and technical functions from a pragmatic point of view, to keep from becoming technically obsolete as an individual contributor, and to keep the corporation technically astute. Explores the management of technology from three distinct viewpoints: 1) the management of technology from both an individual and a corporate perspective, 2) the management of technical functions and projects, and 3) the management of technical professionals within the organization. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in engineering.

## **EMIS 8368 - Enterprise Leadership**

*Credits: 3*

The ways companies link strategy and action at the enterprise level: shaping and leveraging the work performed by the multifirm enterprises that jointly produce added value for customers, while building and retaining competencies critical for competitive advantage.

## **EMIS 8370 - Stochastic Models**

*Credits: 3*

Model building with stochastic processes in applied sciences. Phenomena with uncertain outcomes are formulated as stochastic models and their properties are analyzed. Specific problems come from areas such as population growth, queueing, reliability, time series, and social and behavioral processes. Statistical properties of the models are emphasized. Prerequisites: STAT 5373 and graduate standing.

## **EMIS 8371 - Linear Programming**

*Credits: 3*

A complete development of theoretical and computational aspects of linear programming. Prerequisite: Knowledge of linear algebra.

## **EMIS 8372 - Queueing Theory**

*Credits: 3*

Queueing theory provides the theoretical basis for the analysis of a wide variety of stochastic service systems. The underlying stochastic processes are Markov and renewal processes. Covers the fundamentals of stochastic processes necessary to analyze such systems and provides the basics of formulation and analysis of queueing models, with emphasis on their performance characteristics. Prerequisite: EMIS 7370 or permission of instructor.

## **EMIS 8373 - Integer Programming**

*Credits: 3*

A presentation of algorithms for linear integer programming problems. Topics include complexity analysis, cutting plane techniques, and branch-and-bound. Prerequisite: EMIS 8360 or EMIS 8371.

## **EMIS 8374 - Network Flows**

*Credits: 3*

A presentation of optimization algorithms and applications modeling techniques for network flow problems. Topics include pure, generalized, integer, and constrained network problems, plus special cases of each, including transportation, assignment, shortest-path, transshipment, multicommodity, and nonlinear networks. Case studies illustrate the uses of network models in industry and government settings.

## **EMIS 8378 - Optimization Models for Decision Support**

*Credits: 3*

Study of the design and implementation of decision support systems based on optimization models. Course objectives: development of modeling skills, practice in the application of operations research techniques, experience with state-of-the-art software, and the study of decision support systems design and management. Topics include linear, integer, network, nonlinear, multi-objective, and stochastic optimization models for manufacturing, logistics, telecommunications, service operation, and public sector applications.

## **EMIS 8380 - Mathematics for Optimization**

*Credits: 3*

The purpose of this course is to present at a high level of mathematical rigor the background topics that are necessary for a good understanding of the theoretical underpinnings of optimization. Many of these topics are traditionally higher-level linear algebra



topics that are not present in undergraduate and most basic graduate linear algebra courses. Traditional supporting material covering real-valued functions in multidimensional space receive a thorough review. Theoretical material supporting linear programming and nonlinear programming will be presented. MATLAB will be used for examples and projects. Homework will consist primarily of the construction of proofs.

### **EMIS 8381 - Nonlinear Programming**

*Credits: 3*

Topics include convexity analysis, nonlinear duality theory, Kuhn-Tucker conditions, algorithms for quadratic programming, separable programming: gradient and penalty methods. Prerequisite: EMIS 8371.

### **EMIS 8382 - Theory of Optimization**

*Credits: 3*

Lagrange multiplier theory, fixed-point representations. Duality/convex analysis/subgradient relationship. Prerequisite: EMIS 8371.

### **EMIS 8383 - Advanced Logistics Networks**

*Credits: 3*

An advanced course focusing on several topics in logistics with a network design perspective. Topics include facility location-allocation, production/distribution system design, multi-commodity flow network design, vehicle routing, location/routing, and inventory lot-sizing models. The emphasis will be on mathematical modeling, analysis, and efficient solution methodologies. A good background in optimization (linear and integer programming) and some programming experience with C++ are very beneficial. Prerequisites: EMIS 8373 and EMIS 8374 or equivalent background.

### **EMIS 8390 - Graduate Seminar**

*Credits: 3*

Special and intensive study of selected topics in operations research, engineering management, systems engineering, and information engineering. Varies by topic and instructor.

### **EMIS 8393 - Graduate Seminar**

*Credits: 3*

Special and intensive study of selected topics in operations research, engineering management, systems engineering, or information engineering, aimed at encouraging students to follow recent developments through regular critical reading of the literature.

### **EMIS 8394 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of topics in operations research, engineering management, systems engineering, and information engineering approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

### **EMIS 8395 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of topics in operations research, engineering management, systems engineering, and information engineering approved by the department chair and by the major professor. Prerequisite: 12 credit hours, graduate level.

### **EMIS 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

### **EMIS 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

### **EMIS 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

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## General Information

### Department Facilities

The mission of the Lyle School of Engineering laboratories is to support high-quality practical research and technological innovations.

The **Additive Manufacturing, Robotics and Automation Laboratory** is engaged in research sponsored by the National Science Foundation's National Robotics Initiative. It is dedicated to the development of advanced, multimaterial 3-D printing technology as applied to the manufacturing of soft robotic components. Other contemplated research areas include robotic technologies for minimally invasive medical procedures and automated construction systems.

The **Biological Actuation, Sensing and Transport Laboratory** is developing biologically-inspired nano/micro-scale robotic systems for minimally invasive surgery and particulate drug delivery as well as solid-state nano-pore systems for single molecule analysis. This is an interdisciplinary experimental group working on three core subject areas: nano/microbio-robotics, transport phenomena, and single molecule biophysics. Although each core program consists of a distinct project, we would like to emphasize their synergistic nature - advances in one core are expected to drive the development of the others. The unifying component of all the cores is "nanoscale engineering."

The **Biomedical Instrumentation and Robotics Laboratory** supports research activities that promote strong interdisciplinary collaboration between several branches of engineering and biomedical sciences. The research interests are centered on (1) Medical robotics, especially novel robotic applications in minimally invasive, natural orifice, and image-guided and haptic-assisted surgery; and (2) in vivo measurements of mechanical properties of biological tissues. These areas of concentration touch upon fundamentals in analytical dynamics, nonlinear control of mechanical systems, computer-aided design and virtual prototyping, applied mathematics, data acquisition, signal processing, and high-performance actuators.

The **Bio-Microfluidics Laboratory** concentrates on designing, building and testing microfluidic devices for biomedical applications. Research also includes numerical modeling of mass momentum and energy transport in micro and nano-scales using continuum and atomistic simulation methods.

The **Cyber Physical Systems Laboratory** investigates novel algorithms for control, automation, fault detection, and security of systems involving cybernetics and dynamics. Theoretical development as well as applied research on applications of the theory in robotics, aerospace, manufacturing, and healthcare are main missions of this Laboratory. We utilize traditional and intelligent/bioinspired control schemes for accomplishing these goals.

The **Experimental Fluid Mechanics Laboratory** investigates fundamental fluid processes in unsteady flows, vortical flows, fluid interactions with boundaries and complex structures, and biological and bio-inspired propulsion systems.

The **Impact Mechanics Laboratory** explores the mechanics and physics in dynamic response and failure of advanced materials. The lab is currently equipped with Kolsky compression/tension bar facilities of different sizes for high-rate characterization of materials and structures. A high-resolution Kirana high-speed camera is implemented with the Kolsky bar systems to observe the dynamic deformation and failure process of materials. The lab also has A Skyscan 1172 Micro-CT for non-destructive evaluation of materials microstructure.

The **Laboratory for Porous Materials Applications** is concerned with modeling; numerical simulation; and experimental testing of mass, energy and momentum transport in heterogeneous and porous media.

The **Laser Micromachining Laboratory** conducts studies of laser-assisted micro-fabrication, including high-power laser ablation and laser micromachining.

The **Mechanics of Metamaterials Laboratory** is devoted to studying thermomechanical responses of metamaterials created by microstructural design and 3-D printing. Such materials include cellular materials, lattice structures, and interpenetrating phase composites that exhibit negative Poisson's ratios and/or non-positive thermal expansion coefficients. Higher-order continuum theories, micromechanics, structural analysis, and variational principles are employed as the major tools, and theoretical analysis, numerical simulations and experimental studies are utilized as the main approaches.

The **Micro, Nano and Biomechanics of Materials Laboratory** is devoted to solid mechanics and materials engineering research, with a focus on the combined experimental characterization as well as the computational analysis of mechanical properties, stress/strain, and microstructure of engineering and biological materials. Applications in advancing manufacturing and materials processing technologies, engineering design analyses, and biomedical sciences and engineering are also studied in this facility.

The **MicroSensor Laboratory** focuses on research in the development of micro-optical sensors for a wide range of aerospace and mechanical engineering applications, including temperature, pressure, force, acceleration and concentration. A major research component in this lab is concentrated on the study of the optical phenomenon called the "whispering gallery modes" and its exploitation for sensor development in the microsize level with a nano-level measurement sensitivity.

The **Microsystems Research Laboratory** focuses on research in the area of optical actuators and sensors, micro-optofluidics, energy conversion and smart materials.

The **Multiscale Modeling and Simulations Laboratory** performs modeling and simulations of materials and structures.

The **Nanoscale Electrothermal Sciences Laboratory** focuses on noninvasive characterization of the thermal properties of thin-film materials.

The **Research Center for Advanced Manufacturing** supports research and development activities in areas of rapid prototyping and manufacturing (laser-based and welding-based deposition), laser materials processing (welding, forming, surface modification), welding (including electrical arc welding, variable polarity plasma arc welding, friction stir welding and micro plasma arc welding), water-jet/abrasive water-jet materials processing, sensing and control of manufacturing processes, and numerical modeling of manufacturing processes. The **Center for Laser-Aided Manufacturing is housed in the RCAM facility**, and it collaborates with RCAM.

The **Systems Laboratory** is dedicated to analysis and modeling of bipedal gait dynamics, rigid-body impact mechanics and the pneumatically operated haptic interface system.

The **Systems, Measurement and Control Laboratory** is equipped for instruction in the design and analysis of analog and digital instrumentation and control systems. Modern measurement and instrumentation equipment is used for experimental control engineering, system identification, harmonic analysis, simulation and real-time control applications. Equipment also exists for microprocessor interfacing for control and instrumentation.

# Graduate Programs

Mechanical engineering is a very diverse, dynamic and exciting field. Because of the wide-ranging technical background they attain, mechanical engineers have the highest potential for employment after graduation and the exceptional mobility that is needed for professional growth even during bear market conditions.

The Mechanical Engineering Department at SMU has a long tradition of offering a superb engineering education within an environment that fosters creativity and innovation. Small classes, a trademark of the program, not only allow for strong mentoring but also promote academic excellence through cooperation and teamwork. The department's exceptionally qualified faculty members are continuously engaged in cutting-edge research projects, facilitating the attainment and transmission of knowledge to the students. Leading by example, through encouragement and dedication, the faculty is committed to the success of every student during his or her tenure at SMU and after graduation.

The SMU program prepares students to be creative by providing a solid background in fundamentals of science and engineering without compromising the practical aspects of mechanical engineering. Essential entrepreneurial know-how, interpersonal skills and an understanding of the importance of lifelong learning complement the educational experience of SMU students. The program also stimulates professional and social leadership.

**Graduate Degrees.** The Mechanical Engineering Department offers the following graduate degrees:

## Mechanical Engineering, Ph.D.

This Ph.D. program is one of the most successful programs in the nation. The majority of students are supported by their own companies, by faculty research grants or by the department through teaching assistant fellowships. The latter option is specifically tailored to students interested in obtaining a faculty position after graduation.

## Admission Requirements

1. An M.S. degree in mechanical engineering or in a closely related discipline from a U.S. college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association or completion of an international degree that is equivalent to a U.S. master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing.
2. Excellent academic performance in all completed coursework, with a GPA of at least 3.500 on a 4.000 scale.
3. Submission of a complete application, including a statement of purpose, official transcripts for all previous undergraduate and graduate studies, and payment of appropriate application fee.
4. Official GRE graduate school admission test quantitative score must be equal to or better than 80th percentile.
5. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can judge the applicant's potential success as a doctoral student.
6. All international students whose native language is not English and who have not graduated from an American university must comply with the university's English Language Proficiency requirements.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering requirements for the Ph.D. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following:

1. The successful completion of eight graduate-level courses (24 credit hours) beyond the master's degree.
2. Core course requirement: All incoming Ph.D. students will be required to complete a core course requirement within the first two terms of admission to the Ph.D. program.
3. Students must take both core courses for their major area and select one core course from two of the remaining topic areas for a total of four core courses. Students who have completed all or a portion of the core course requirement at SMU prior to admission to the Ph.D. program (e.g., as part of an M.S. degree plan) are only required to fulfill the

remainder of the core course requirements. Deviations from the core course requirement due to limitations of course offerings must be approved by the supervisory committee and the department chair within the first two terms of study toward the Ph.D. degree.

## Core Courses:

### Dynamics and Controls:

- ME 7302 - Linear System Analysis
- ME 7320 - Intermediate Dynamics

### Mechanics and Manufacturing:

- ME 7319 - Advanced Mechanical Behavior of Materials
- ME 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics

### Thermo-fluids:

- ME 7330 - Heat Transfer
- ME 7336 - Intermediate Fluid Dynamics

### Mathematics:

Any 6000-level or above mathematics course may be taken to satisfy one of the two minor core areas. A grade of B+ or better is required for the Math course to count toward the minor core area.

### Preliminary Exam:

Students obtaining a cumulative GPA of less than 3.50 in the core courses will be required to take and pass a written preliminary exam. This written exam will consist of three parts, individualized for each student and covering the two major courses and the minor course with the lower grade. The Preliminary Exam will not cover any Mathematics courses since a grade of B+ or better is required for a Math course to count as a minor core course.

A student who fails the exam covering the major courses is suspended from the Ph.D. program. A student who fails the exam covering the minor courses will be allowed to retake the exam for the failed section(s) only once, within one month of completing the original exam. A student who fails this second examination is suspended from the Ph.D. program.

### Qualifying Exam (QE):

All Ph.D. students will be required to pass a qualifying exam consisting of written and oral components. The exam must be completed within 18 months of completion of all required coursework for the degree. The format and requirements of each component are described below.

### Written Component:

The ME Department will administer the written component of the QE every fall and spring semesters, over a two-day period toward the middle of the semester. The Written QE will include written exams from each student's declared major area of specialization.

- i. Dynamics and Controls:
  - Controls
  - Dynamics
- ii. Mechanics and Manufacturing:
  - Continuum Mechanics and Elasticity
  - Advanced Mechanics of Materials
- iii. Thermal-Fluids:
  - Fluid Dynamics
  - Heat Transfer (including Thermodynamics)

A student who fails the Written QE will be allowed to retake it once, in which case the Graduate Committee will decide whether the student must retake all or only a portion of the subject area exams. The student must retake this second Exam during the immediate next regular semester after the semester during which the failure occurred. A student who fails this second Exam is suspended from the Doctoral program.

### Oral Component:

Upon passing the Written QE, student will be ready to take the Oral component of the QE. The purpose of the Oral component of the QE is to assess a Student's ability to engage in a discussion about his or her area of research, and preparation to engage in his or her proposed dissertation topic. The Oral QE must be completed within 12 months of successfully passing the Written QE. If a student fails the Oral Exam, the Supervisory Committee may recommend a re-examination, subject to approval by the Department Chair and the Associate Dean, only in those cases in which the Supervisory Committee believes the student has the necessary potential but needs some additional preparation.

### Field of study:

If a student changes his or her area of research significantly, or if significant changes are made to the composition of the supervisory committee, the student may be required to repeat all or a portion of the qualifying examination at the discretion of the current supervisory committee.

### Dissertation:

All Ph.D. students will be required to complete and successfully defend a dissertation. The dissertation must be original and of a scholarly level and must have the potential of being published in a leading technical journal in the field of interest.

## **Manufacturing Systems Management, M.S.**

Manufacturing is undergoing rapid change. Global competition, rapid advances in manufacturing technology, integration across the enterprise and an expanding role for software are putting pressure on manufacturing businesses from the Fortune 500 to small job shops. Success now requires manufacturing professionals with up-to-date knowledge and skills in these rapidly evolving fields.

Developed in consultation with business and industry leaders and professionals in manufacturing, the SMU M.S. in manufacturing systems management program is unique in providing both the latest in technology and the broad management skills needed for success in today's business. The interdisciplinary program prepares manufacturing professionals to lead their company in the integration of the entire product commercialization process – including concept, design, manufacturing process development, production and distribution. The program provides a broad set of business skills to manage this integrated process including strategies, globalization, project management and quality.

# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to have a B.S. in one of the engineering disciplines or a closely related scientific field, or five years of directly relevant professional experience after completion of a B.S. degree.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy additional requirements. These 10 courses are required:

- ME 7301 - Entrepreneurship and Business Development in Manufacturing
- ME 7303 - Organizational Leadership
- ME 7351 - Computer-Integrated Manufacturing Systems
- ME 7352 - Manufacturing Methods and Systems
- ME 7353 - Manufacturing Management
- ME 7354 - Lean Manufacturing and Six Sigma
- ME 7365 - Strategies for Manufacturing
- ME 7366 - Global Manufacturing
- ME 7369 - Innovation Management
- ME 7382 - Finance and the Manufacturing Enterprise

## Mechanical Engineering, M.S.M.E.

The best students enrolled in this master's program are encouraged to participate in research projects conducted by the Lyle School of Engineering faculty by utilizing the thesis option for the master's program and to consider extending their studies toward a Ph.D. degree in mechanical engineering at SMU or elsewhere.

# Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements for an M.S. degree, applicants are required to satisfy the following additional requirement: a B.S. in mechanical engineering or a closely related discipline.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to meeting the Lyle School of Engineering degree requirements for an M.S. degree, candidates are required to satisfy the following requirements: the completion of 10 graduate-level courses (30 credit hours) or the completion of eight courses (24 credit hours) and a master's thesis.

The master's thesis must attain a certain level of originality to be considered independent work and be presented to, and approved by, a committee with at least three members and chaired by the adviser. Students are required to take two core and three additional courses (15 credit hours) from one of the three existing areas of concentration: design and dynamic systems and controls, mechanics and manufacturing, and thermal and fluid sciences. In addition, the students must take at least one course from each of the other two areas. The choice of courses must be approved by the academic graduate adviser. These requirements provide depth and breadth to the academic experience of students.



## Design and Dynamic Systems and Controls Concentration

- ME 7302 - Linear System Analysis (core)
- ME 7320 - Intermediate Dynamics (core)
- ME 7322 - Intermediate Vibrations
- ME 7326 - Vehicle Dynamics
- ME 7346 - Optimal and Robust Control
- ME 7347 - Frequency Domain Methods in Linear Control Systems

## Mechanics and Manufacturing Concentration

- ME 7312 - Continuum Mechanics
- ME 7315 - Optics Laser-Assisted Manufacturing
- ME 7319 - Advanced Mechanical Behavior of Materials (core)
- ME 7327 - Dynamic Characterization of Materials
- ME 7338 - Nontraditional Manufacturing Processes
- ME 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics (core)
- ME 7361 - Matrix Structure Analysis
- ME 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics

## Thermal and Fluid Sciences Concentration

- ME 7318 - Microfluidics and Microfabrication
- ME 7330 - Heat Transfer (core)
- ME 7331 - Advanced Thermodynamics
- ME 7332 - Heat Transfer Biomedical Sciences
- ME 7333 - Transport Phenomena in Porous Media
- ME 7336 - Intermediate Fluid Dynamics (core)
- ME 7337 - Introduction to Computational Fluid Dynamics: Fundamentals of Finite Difference Methods

## **Mechanical Engineering/Master of Business Administration, M.S./M.B.A.**

### Joint Master of Science in Engineering/Master of Business Administration Program

## Overview

The Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business offer a two-year, dual-degree in Master of Science in Engineering (with one of the specific degrees listed above) and Master of Business Administration, with as few as 68 semester credit hours. The program is intended for full-time graduate students with Bachelor degrees in engineering or science. The program is offered on-campus although some of the engineering courses may be taken by means of the Lyle School's distance learning facilities. This program is geared toward recent graduates as well as early-career professionals employed in the

engineering and technology sector who desire to broaden and deepen their skills to further their career opportunities and become leaders in technology with the appropriate business and management acumen.

This program takes advantage of the 44-credit hour Fast Track MBA degree offered by Cox School and double-counts up to 6 credit hours of MBA courses as electives in the 30-credit hour MS Engineering degree programs making it possible to obtain two degrees with a total of 68 semester credit hours (24 credit hours of engineering and 44 credit hours in MBA program). As an example, students first complete the 24 credit hour of required courses for the specific MS engineering degree sought during the fall and spring semesters of the first year. Students then start the year-long Fast Track MBA (starting with the summer term and continuing in the fall and spring terms) completing both degrees at the end of the second academic year.

At the conclusion of the dual degree program, students obtain a MS in the specific engineering degree and the MBA.

The overall educational objective of the joint MS-MBA program is to impart the necessary breadth and depth in business and in technology for those individuals preparing for leadership roles in technology firms. The program provides a reduction of 6 credit hours from the total credits that would be required for a student earning the two degrees separately (one of the MS engineering degrees listed at the title page and the Fast Track MBA) and reduces the time to complete both degrees to 2 years, including a summer semester.

## Admission Requirements

The applicants must meet both Lyle School of Engineering admission requirements (general School requirements and program admission requirements) for the specific Lyle Master of Science degree and Cox School of Business Fast Track MBA requirements. See admission requirements in each School program section for details. Applicants must submit separate applications to the Lyle and Cox programs.

### Curriculum Example

The general course of study for the joint program follows:

#### Fall Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

#### Spring Term (Lyle School)

- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)
- Engineering core/elective (3 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

Total Engineering: 24 Credit Hours

## Summer Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ACCT 6201 - Financial Accounting I
- FINA 6201 - Managerial Finance
- ITOM 6202 - Management Decision Analysis

### Module B Courses

- MAST 6201 - Managerial Statistics
- MKTG 6201 - Marketing Management
- MNGT 6001 - Managing Your Career
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 12 Credit Hours

## Fall Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- ITOM 6203 - Operations Management
- MNGT 6003 - Business Presentation Techniques
- STRA 6201 - Strategic Management
- Elective: two courses (4 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- ACCT second required accounting (2 Credit Hours)
- BUSE 6202 - Managerial Economics
- MNO 6201 - Organizational Behavior: Managing and Leading People
- Elective: one course (2 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

## Spring Term (Cox School)

### Module A Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

### Module B Courses

- Elective: four courses (8 Credit Hours)

Term Total: 16 Credit Hours

Total MBA: 44 Credit Hours

Total for Joint MS-MBA: 68 Credit Hours

## **Courses:**

### **ME 7049 - Master's Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

### **ME 7090 - Graduate Seminar**

*Credits: 0*

### **ME 7096 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

### **ME 7190 - Graduate Seminar: Ethics in Engineering and Technology**

*Credits: 1*

Covers ethical issues, hard choices, and human failures in life. Presents practical, ethical issues with examples from everyday life. Includes ethical issues encountered in copyright law and intellectual property; issues involved in telephone communications and email; and principles, methods, and bases for ethical decision-making and action.

### **ME 7194 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 1*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

### **ME 7196 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 1*

No more than 6 term hours in a single term, and no more than 4 term hours in a summer term. Students may enroll in several sections to obtain the desired number of thesis hours. For example, 4 term hours of thesis would require enrollment in ME 7396 and ME 7196.

### **ME 7294 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 2*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7296 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ME 7301 - Entrepreneurship and Business Development in Manufacturing**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a perspective of entrepreneurial thought and the necessary tools for developing a business plan and starting a manufacturing venture. Management is the process of creating value from existing resources; in contrast, entrepreneurship is the art of creating the ideas and identifying and assembling the resources to create value. The course addresses this art for new ventures inside existing corporations and de novo startups in the manufacturing realm. Students learn what personality characteristics are important and effective in each of these settings and where they fit, the risks and rewards of each approach, and the answers to the most frequently asked questions about entrepreneurship. Examples, exercises, and cases are drawn from a manufacturing environment.

## **ME 7302 - Linear System Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces modern control theory, with a focus on the application of the developed concepts in designing linear systems and casting their responses in prescribed forms. Includes state representation of linear systems; controllability, observability, and minimal representation; linear state variable feedback; observers; and quadratic regulator theory. Prerequisite: ME 4360 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7303 - Organizational Leadership**

*Credits: 3*

Personnel and organizational leadership, including the scientific structure of organizations and methods used to improve the productivity and quality of life of people working in the organization. Focuses on understanding individual behavior and experiences in industrial and organizational settings. Introduces industrial-organizational psychology (as applied to the manufacturing organization) and industrial psychology as it addresses the human resource functions of analyzing jobs and appraising, selecting, placing, and training people. The organizational psychology portion of the course addresses the psychology of work, including employee attitudes, behavior, emotions, health, motivation, and well-being, as well as the social aspects of the workplace.

## **ME 7312 - Continuum Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Explores fundamental principles governing deformations, constitutive behavior and stress responses of a continuum. Students learn how to formulate mechanics problems rigorously and concisely by using tensorial, index or engineering notations and how to apply general theories to solve representative problems in solid and fluid mechanics. Prerequisites: ME 7340/CEE 7340 or equivalent, MATH 3302, MATH 3304, and MATH 3313.

## **ME 7314 - Introduction to Microelectromechanical Systems and Devices**

*Credits: 3*

Develops the basics for microelectromechanical devices and systems, including microactuators, microsensors, micromotors, principles of operation, micromachining techniques (surface and bulk micromachining), IC-derived microfabrication techniques, and thin-film technologies as they apply to MEMS.

## **ME 7315 - Optics Laser-Assisted Manufacturing**

*Credits: 3*

Includes analysis and design of automatic control systems for linear problems using frequency domain methods. Students develop a basic knowledge of geometrical and physical optics and are introduced to laser theory, laser-material interactions, and laser-assisted manufacturing. Prerequisites: ME 3332 and graduate standing.

## **ME 7318 - Microfluidics and Microfabrication**

*Credits: 3*

Reviews fundamentals of fluid mechanics. Introduces microscale liquid flows, electrokinetic transport phenomena and their applications, microfluidic mixing, photolithography based microfabrication, computational fluid dynamics software COMSOL, microfluidic device design, and fabrication and characterization. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

## **ME 7319 - Advanced Mechanical Behavior of Materials**

*Credits: 3*

A senior-graduate course that relates mechanical behavior on a macro and microscopic level to design. Topics include macroscopic elasticity and plasticity, viscoelasticity, yielding, yield surfaces, work hardening, geometric dislocation theory, creep, and temperature-dependent and environment-dependent mechanical properties. Prerequisite: ME 2340, ME 3340, or graduate standing.

## **ME 7320 - Intermediate Dynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Kinematics and dynamics of particles and rigid bodies (kinematics, inertia properties), Kane's dynamical equations, Euler's equations of motion, D'Alembert's principle, and Lagrange's equations of motion. Prerequisite: ME 2320, MATH 2339, MATH 2343, or graduate standing.

## **ME 7322 - Intermediate Vibrations**

*Credits: 3*

Fundamentals of vibrations with application of simple machine and structural members. Single, multiple, and infinite degree-of-freedom systems. Harmonic motion, free and forced vibration, resonance, damping, and isolation. Modal Analysis, Hamilton's Principle and Lagrange's equations. Prerequisite: ME 4322, graduate standing or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7323 - Introduction to Fracture Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Linear elastic fracture mechanics, application of theory to design and evaluation of critical components: elastic stress intensity calculations, plane strain fracture toughness, plane stress and transitional behavior, crack opening displacements, fracture resistance, fatigue crack propagation, transition temperature approach to fracture control, microstructure of fracture, and fracture control programs. Prerequisite: ME 2340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7324 - Fatigue Theory and Design**

*Credits: 3*

A senior-graduate course. Includes continuum, statistical, and fracture mechanics treatments of fatigue, stress concentrators, planning and analysis of probit, SNP and response tests, mechanisms of fatigue design, fail-safe versus safe-life design, and crack

propagation. Emphasizes the engineering design aspects of fatigue rather than theoretical mechanisms. Prerequisite: ME 3340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7326 - Vehicle Dynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Modeling of wheeled vehicles to predict performance, handling, and ride. Effects of vehicle center of mass, tire-characteristic traction and slip, engine characteristics, and gear ratios of performance. Suspension design and steady-state handling models of four-wheeled vehicles and car-trailer systems to determine oversteer and understeer characteristics, critical speeds, and stability. Multidegree-of-freedom ride models, including tire and suspension compliance. Computer animation and simulations. Prerequisite: ME 2320 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7327 - Dynamic Characterization of Materials**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces a great variety of Kolsky bar-related dynamic experimental techniques, based on the stress wave theory, for the characterization of a broad range of materials. Includes both classroom lecturing and lab practices. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

## **ME 7330 - Heat Transfer**

*Credits: 3*

Application of the principles of conduction, convection, and radiation heat transfer. Includes steady and unsteady state, special configurations, numerical and analytical solutions, and design. Prerequisite: ME 3332 or graduate standing.

## **ME 7331 - Advanced Thermodynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Laws of thermodynamics, availability, irreversibility, real gases and mixtures, thermodynamic relations and generalized charts, combustion, chemical and phase equilibrium, and computational combustion. Prerequisites: ME 2331, 3341 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7332 - Heat Transfer Biomedical Sciences**

*Credits: 3*

Fundamentals of heat transfer in medicine and biology; biothermal properties; thermal regulation processes; and biomedical heat transfer processes with applications in tissue laser radiation, freezing and thawing of biological materials, cryosurgery, and others. Prerequisite: ME 3332 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7333 - Transport Phenomena in Porous Media**

*Credits: 3*

Fractals and their role in characterizing complex structures. Fundamental concepts of momentum, heat, and mass transport through heterogeneous (e.g., composites, porous) materials. Emphasis is placed on the mathematical modeling of heat and mass transfer in heterogeneous and fully saturated systems. Relevant industrial and natural applications are presented throughout the course. Prerequisites: ME 2342, 3332 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7336 - Intermediate Fluid Dynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Reviews fundamental concepts of undergraduate fluid mechanics and introduces advanced fluid dynamics, industrial irrotational flow, tensor notation, and the Navier-Stokes equations. Prerequisite: ME 2342 or graduate standing.

## **ME 7337 - Introduction to Computational Fluid Dynamics: Fundamentals of Finite Difference Methods**

*Credits: 3*

Concepts of stability, convergence, accuracy, and consistency. Applications to linear and nonlinear model partial differential equations. Curvilinear grid generation. Advanced topics in grid generation. Beam and Warming factored implicit technique. MacCormack techniques. Solution methods for the Reynolds equation of lubrication, the boundary layer equations, and the Navier-Stokes equations. Prerequisites: ME 2342 and MATH 2343, or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7338 - Nontraditional Manufacturing Processes**

*Credits: 3*

Explores difficult-to-machine materials and the increased geometrical complexity of components that have resulted in the development of nontraditional manufacturing processes based on the application of electrical, chemical, ultrasonic, magnetic, and photonic sources of energy. Introduces fundamentals of materials processing by laser beam, electron beam, ion beam, abrasive waterjet, ultrasonic machining, electro-discharge machining, chemical and electrochemical machining, and hybrid machining (laser beam, plasma arc, and waterjet assisted machining). Emphasizes the additive manufacturing processes as one of the fastest developing disciplines in materials processing. Covers theoretical problems and practical considerations related to the nontraditional manufacturing processes. Prerequisites: ME 3340, 3370; a basic understanding of manufacturing processes, mechanical and physical properties of materials, and physics.

## **ME 7340 - Introduction to Solid Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Three dimensional stress and strain, failure theories, introduction to two-dimensional elasticity, torsion of prismatic members, beams on elastic foundation, introduction to plates and shells, and energy methods. Prerequisites: ME 2340, MATH 2343 or graduate standing.

## **ME 7341 - Structural Properties of Solids**

*Credits: 3*

Develops an understanding of the structural aspects of solids and their relationship to properties and applications. Includes structural defects; bonding and crystal structure; solid-state reactions; and phase transformations, degradation, and deformation. Prerequisite: ME 3340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7346 - Optimal and Robust Control**

*Credits: 3*

The course addresses topics and concepts for linear systems control including controllability, observability, state feedback, and observers. Optimal control is presented along with stochastic optimal control, LQG, and Kalman filter. The H<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>∞</sub> robust control techniques and the sliding mode control of a linear system are presented. Prerequisite: ME 4360 and ME 5302 or consent of instructor.



## **ME 7347 - Frequency Domain Methods in Linear Control Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Includes analysis and design of automatic control systems for linear problems using frequency domain methods. Topics include performance analysis using Bode plots, stability analysis using Nyquist criterion, robustness analysis using gain margin, phase margin and delay margin, controller design through loop shaping for meeting performance specifications, and an introduction to robust control. Prerequisite: ME 4360.

## **ME 7351 - Computer-Integrated Manufacturing Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the basic concepts and use of computer-integrated manufacturing. Includes integration approaches for manufacturing, process planning and simulation, the production process in relation to automated control systems, process design for shop for control of multiple interacting processes, distributed network process control, real-time aspects, and interface protocols and languages of production processes. Also, computational and data processing methods for planning, design, production, and shipping as well as methods of optimizing output quality, price, and productivity. Examines economic justification and the use of artificial intelligence for planning and process control.

## **ME 7352 - Manufacturing Methods and Systems**

*Credits: 3*

Examines highly successful manufacturing methods and systems presented from the perspective of the manufacturing manager. Includes the evolution of manufacturing technology in the U.S., mass manufacturing, integrated manufacturing, optimization, distribution and manufacturing automation, just-in-time systems, continuous improvement, and total quality management. Covers the underlying concepts and strategic benefits of flexibility, agility, time-based competition, and global manufacturing operation.

## **ME 7353 - Manufacturing Management**

*Credits: 3*

Explores new organizational structures, paradigms, and leadership styles as well as problem-solving within the business context: manufacturing strategies for optimizing production processes across the enterprise. Also, measuring and reporting business performance; investment decision-making under conditions of risk and uncertainty; intellectual property strategies, products liability and the legal environment; and contemporary practices, including self-directed work forces, competitive assessment, total productive maintenance, and managerial and activity-based costing.

## **ME 7354 - Lean Manufacturing and Six Sigma**

*Credits: 3*

Focuses on an overall total quality management perspective for the design of quality management systems. Examines metrics for cycle time and defects, baselining and benchmarking, and house of quality approaches. Covers the basic concept of managing product quality from inception to deployment. Includes acquiring and stabilizing new production processes, data collection, and analysis for improvement and decision-making. Purchasing, process control, inventory control, and reliability are covered in detail. Project work emphasizes the application of lean manufacturing and six sigma tools and techniques.

## **ME 7361 - Matrix Structure Analysis**

*Credits: 3*

A systematic approach to formulation of force and displacement method of analysis; representation of structures as assemblages of elements; computer solution of structural systems. Prerequisite: ME 3350 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7364 - Introduction to Structural Dynamics**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the dynamic responses of structures and the behavior of structural components to dynamic loads and foundation excitations. Also, single- and multidegree-of-freedom systems response and its applications to analysis of framed structures. Introduces systems with distributed mass and flexibility. Prerequisites: MATH 2343 and CEE/ME 3350 or CEE/ME 5361.

## **ME 7365 - Strategies for Manufacturing**

*Credits: 3*

Examines the development and implementation of strategies for product design and manufacturing that best supports the overall strategy of the firm. Topics include positioning the product and production system in the industry, location and capacity decision, implementing manufacturing technologies, facilities planning, vertical integration, logistics planning, and organizational culture. Case studies of manufacturing firms are used extensively. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

## **ME 7366 - Global Manufacturing**

*Credits: 3*

Examines goals and strategies for manufacturing operations in the multinational environment. Covers decision-making for decentralizing and setting up foreign manufacturing operations and marketing, sales, and distribution strategies. Also, R&D support, location and capacity decisions, implementing new manufacturing technologies, facilities planning and modernizations, vertical integration, outsourcing strategies, logistics planning, and organizational culture. Includes case studies of manufacturing firms. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

## **ME 7369 - Innovation Management**

*Credits: 3*

Provides a foundation of modern theory and practice of product and organizational innovation. Reviews the modern applications of disruptive innovation: technological, organizational, and market-driven. Examines ways to implement and augment innovation capability within an organization. Additionally, covers tools and techniques for recognizing disruption in existing markets and how to respond as well as how innovation fits into the product development process.

## **ME 7371 - Introduction to Gas Dynamics and Analysis of Propulsion Systems**

*Credits: 3*

One-dimensional compressible flow, linearized two-dimensional flow method of characteristics, and oblique shocks. Design of air-breathing propulsion systems components: inlets, nozzles, compressors, turbines and combustors. Interactions with the external flow. Prerequisites: ME 2331, 2342 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7377 - Advanced Steel Design**

*Credits: 3*

Behavior and design of steel structures including general methods of plastic analysis, plastic moment distribution, steel frames, unbraced and braced frames, and composite construction. Prerequisite: ME 4350.

## **ME 7380 - Management of Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities**

*Credits: 3*

Efficient industrial centers require balanced consideration with respect to facility design and function. Mission-critical

component management and information technology systems are designed for exceptionally reliable performance and efficient operation. This course emphasizes the component systems that are designed to maintain a high level of function. Covers electrical and mechanical reliability, efficiency, readiness, robustness, and flexibility, and the management of the information technology systems. Explores strategies designed to eliminate costly downtimes, with emphasis on standby generators; automatic transfer switches; uninterruptable power supplies; fuel, fire, and battery systems; energy security; and environmental and cooling technologies. Presents the implementation of sustainable technology, green certifications, and alternative energy strategies that are compatible with the mission-critical requirements of the facility. Includes operational approaches to reduce energy requirements for power and cooling, mandated safety standards, and environmental codes. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7381 - Site Selection for Industrial and Mission-Critical Facilities**

*Credits: 3*

Efficient industrial centers and facilities with mission-critical subsystems such as datacenters require balanced considerations with respect to facility design and site location. Site location plays an integral role in creating successful projects that especially support high reliability and promote sustainable design. While the important factors may vary from site to site, in any given instance a single factor can undermine the success of an otherwise excellent project. Ready availability and proper site selection that minimizes risk of disruption are particularly important factors for successful operation. Covers siting considerations, including power needs, electrical mix, weather patterns, building codes, proximity to the workforce and transportation, and other topics that bear on reliable operation. Emphasizes strategies of site selection to adequately safeguard hardware and mission-critical data. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7382 - Finance and the Manufacturing Enterprise**

*Credits: 3*

An overview of strategic management decision processes relevant to engineering, manufacturing, and service industries. The targeted student is the current or future professional engineer-manager, engineer-owner and/or engineer-entrepreneur who combines engineering and/or manufacturing technology with business execution. Emphasizes the ways engineering and manufacturing managerial functions interact with the finance industry, markets, and institutions. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

## **ME 7383 - Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning**

*Credits: 3*

Covers the selection and design of basic refrigeration, air conditioning, and heating systems. Includes load calculations, psychometrics, cooling coils, cooling towers, cryogenics, solar energy applications, and special topics. Prerequisites: ME 2331, 3332 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 7384 - Advanced Topics II**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced selected topics in mechanical engineering and its application (on request).

## **ME 7391 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7392 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7393 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7394 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7395 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 3*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ME 7494 - Selected Problems**

*Credits: 4*

Independent investigation of problems and projects in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the major professor (on request).

## **ME 7696 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several master's thesis courses to obtain the desired number of credit hours, with a limit of no more than 6 credit hours in a single term and no more than 4 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ME 8049 - Ph.D. Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

Full-time status for students in the Ph.D. program.

## **ME 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **ME 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **ME 8296 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 2*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

## **ME 8338 - Viscous Flow Theory**

*Credits: 3*

A study of the motion of viscous fluids; low Reynolds number and laminar boundary-layer theory for a Newtonian fluid; and exact and approximate methods for solution of problems. Prerequisites: ME 2342, ME 7336. Corequisite: MATH 6333.

## **ME 8339 - Turbulent Shear Flow**

*Credits: 3*

A study of real turbulent flows; flow stability, transition, and turbulence structure; free shear, pipe, and boundary layer flows; effects of surface conditions, blowing and suction, pressure gradients, and compressibility; approximate solution methods; and atmosphere shear flows. Prerequisite: ME 8338 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8340 - Theory of Elasticity**

*Credits: 3*

Covers stress, strain, and stress-strain relationships for elastic bodies, classical solutions of two- and three-dimensional problems, and the use of the Airy stress function. Prerequisite: ME 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8342 - Theory of Plasticity**

*Credits: 3*

Physical basis of plastic deformation, mathematical theory of yield and plastic flow with applications to various engineering problems. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ME 8344 - Energy Methods in Applied Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Explores the variational energy principles of mechanics and applies them to the analysis of beams and trusses. Also, general elasticity problems, plates and shells, buckling, and dynamics. Prerequisite: ME 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8346 - Mechanics of Composite Materials**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces analysis of composite material behavior, including stiffness and strength relations for lamina and laminates and the effect of lamination on plate deflection, buckling, and vibration. Prerequisite: ME 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8364 - Finite Element Methods in Structural and Continuum Mechanics**

*Credits: 3*

Theory and application of finite element; two- and three-dimensional elements; bending elements; applications to buckling, and dynamic problems. Prerequisite: ME 7361 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8367 - Nonlinear Control**

*Credits: 3*

Introduces methods used to control nonlinear systems. Reviews phase plane analysis of nonlinear systems, Lyapunov theory, nonlinear stability, and describing function analysis. Advanced control techniques include feedback linearization, sliding control, and adaptive control. Emphasizes application of the developed concepts to the robust regulation of the response of nonlinear systems. Prerequisite: ME 7302/EE 7362 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8368 - Theory of Plate Behavior**

*Credits: 3*

Analysis of flat plates subjected to normal loading, inplane loading, and thermal stresses. Plates of various shapes, thick plates, and anisotropic plates are analyzed for both small and large deflections. Prerequisite: ME 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8369 - Theory of Shell Behavior**

*Credits: 3*

Membrane and bending theories of cylindrical shells, shells of revolution, and translational shells and their application to various problems in aerospace, manufacturing, and construction industries. Prerequisite: ME 7340 or permission of instructor.

## **ME 8386 - Convection Heat Transfer**

*Credits: 3*

Advanced topics in forced convection heat transfer using analytical methods and boundary-layer analysis. Laminar and turbulent flow inside smooth tubes and over external surfaces. Convection processes in high-speed flows. Prerequisite: ME 7330 or equivalent.

## **ME 8390 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

### **ME 8391 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

### **ME 8393 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

### **ME 8394 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

### **ME 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

### **ME 8690 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 6*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

### **ME 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.

### **ME 8990 - Selected Topics**

*Credits: 9*

Individual or group study of selected topics in mechanical engineering approved by the department chair and the instructor (on request).

## **ME 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms. For example, ME 8396 and ME 8996 (12 credit hours total) would be allowed during a fall term.



# Multidisciplinary Programs

Degree programs in the Lyle School of Engineering may be pursued in areas that do not belong strictly to any department, but nevertheless are meaningful in terms of courses offered by the school and faculty expertise. These programs are individually planned, and they follow relevant guidelines set forth in the Doctor of Philosophy Degrees or Master of Science and Master of Arts Degrees section of this catalog. In such cases, any faculty member of the Lyle School of Engineering may be assigned as the faculty adviser by the associate dean. Multidisciplinary degrees are listed below:

## Programs

- Applied Science, M.S. (p. 34)
- Applied Science, Ph.D. (p. 34)
- Data Science, M.S.D.S. (p. 120)
- Datacenter Systems Engineering, M.S. (p. 125)
- Design and Innovation, M.A. (p. 128)

## Courses

### **ENGR 7090 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7091 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7092 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7093 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7094 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7095 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7096 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 0*

## **ENGR 7097 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7098 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7099 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 0*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7190 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7191 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7192 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7193 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7194 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7195 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7196 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 1*

### **ENGR 7197 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7198 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7199 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 1*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7290 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7291 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7292 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7293 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7294 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7295 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7296 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 2*

### **ENGR 7297 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7298 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7299 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 2*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7390 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7391 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7392 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7393 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7394 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7395 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7396 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 3*

### **ENGR 7397 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

### **ENGR 7398 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7399 - Special Topics**

*Credits: 3*

Individual or group study of selected topics in engineering. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

## **ENGR 7696 - Master's Thesis**

*Credits: 6*

## **ENGR 8049 - Graduate Full-Time Status**

*Credits: 0*

## **ENGR 8096 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 0*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ENGR 8196 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 1*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ENGR 8197 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 1*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8198 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 1*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8199 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 1*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only, and it carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8297 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 2*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8298 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 2*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8299 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 2*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8396 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 3*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ENGR 8397 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 3*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8398 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 3*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8399 - Graduate Engineering Internship**

*Credits: 3*

Represents a term of industrial work activity in connection with the Graduate Cooperative Education Program. The course grade is determined by the student's written report about the co-op assignment and the ways it relates to his/her academic plan of study. Can be taken for pass/fail credit only; carries full-time status.

## **ENGR 8696 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 6*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

## **ENGR 8996 - Dissertation**

*Credits: 9*

Students may need to register in several dissertation courses to obtain the desired number of dissertation credit hours, with a limit of no more than 15 credit hours in a single term and no more than 10 credit hours in the summer terms.

# Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid

## Tuition, Fees and Living Expenses

A catalog supplement, the *Financial Information Bulletin*, is issued each academic year. It provides the general authority and reference for SMU financial regulations and obligations, as well as detailed information concerning tuition, fees and living expenses. The supplement can be accessed at [www.smu.edu/bursar](http://www.smu.edu/bursar) ("Policies and Forms" link).

Continuing students registering must ensure that payment for the full amount of charges is posted to their account by the payment due date showing on their bill. The due dates are also published on the Bursar website.

Billing notifications are sent to the student's SMU email address and to the designated authorized payer(s) email address when a bill is generated. The billing notification will provide instructions on how to view the bill online through SMUpay. If notification is not received two weeks prior to the due date, the student and/or designated authorized payer(s) should contact the Office of the University Bursar.

Payments made in person or mailed must be received by the Office of the University Bursar, located on the first floor of the Laura Lee Blanton Student Services Building, no later than 4 p.m. on the payment due date. Payments made online via electronic check or credit card must be posted no later than 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time on the payment due date. Students and/or those paying on behalf of students who pay online automatically receive an electronic confirmation of payment; students and/or designated authorized payer(s) paying through other methods can also verify receipt of payment online.

Students enrolling after the payment due date must pay at the time of enrollment. Students whose accounts are not cleared by the payment due date or at the time of enrollment are subject to a late payment fee of \$50 for balances between \$250 and \$999.99, and \$150 for balances between \$1,000 and \$5,000. Balances more than \$5,000 are charged 3 percent of the outstanding balance, not to exceed \$750. Also, after the monthly payment due date has passed, a 1.5 percent past due fee will be assessed on the unpaid student and/or miscellaneous account each month until the balance is paid. The enrollment of students whose accounts remain unpaid after the payment due date may be canceled at the discretion of the University. Students are individually responsible for their financial obligations to the University.

All refunds except federal parent PLUS loans, prepayment accounts, the SMU Monthly TuitionPay Payment Plan and international wires will be made payable to the student. A credit card payment will only be refunded to the student if federal student loans have been applied to their account. International wires will be refunded by wire to the originating wire account less a \$35 wire-processing fee. The PLUS loan borrower can request the refund to be processed to the student by submitting a Parent PLUS Release form, located on the Bursar website. If the refund is issued by check, the student may request, in writing, that the refund be sent to another party.

Any outstanding debts to the University will be deducted from the credit balance prior to issuing a refund. Any outstanding debts to the University that include Title IV funds must have an Authorization to Credit Account form and/or an Authorization to Credit Account Parent form on file in order to transfer funds to cover current award year debts. Students need to sign the ACA form and the federal parent PLUS loan borrower needs to sign the ACAP form.

Any outstanding debts to the University that do not include Title IV funds will be deducted from the credit balance prior to issuing a refund. All other debts should be paid directly by the student.

A student whose University account is overdue or who in any other manner has an unpaid financial obligation to the University will be denied the recording and certification services of the Office of the Registrar, including the issuance of a transcript or diploma, and may be denied readmission until all obligations are fulfilled. The Division of Enrollment Services may stop the registration, or may cancel the completed registration, of a student who has a delinquent account or debt, and may assess all attorney's fees and other reasonable collection costs (up to 50 percent) and charges necessary for

the collection of any amount not paid when due. Matriculation in the University constitutes an agreement by the student to comply with all University rules, regulations and policies.

Arrangements for financial assistance from SMU must be made in advance of registration and in accordance with the application schedule of the Division of Enrollment Services, Financial Aid. A student should not expect such assistance to settle delinquent accounts.

During the registration process, students will be prompted to read and agree to the Student Rights and Responsibilities, which provides information regarding financial rights and obligations, SMU's Honor Code, the Code of Conduct, and the student appeals and complaints process.

Students who elect to register for courses outside of their school of record will pay the tuition rate of their school of record.

## Refunds for Withdrawal from the University

**Note:** No refunds are made without an official withdrawal. Policies for official withdrawal, including medical and mandatory administrative withdrawal, are found under Withdrawal From the University in the Academic Records and General and Enrollment Standards section of this catalog.

Reduction of tuition and fees is determined by the effective date of the withdrawal and is based on the schedule listed in the *Financial Information Bulletin*, which can be accessed online at [www.smu.edu/bursar](http://www.smu.edu/bursar) ("Policies and Forms" link).

**Note:** For students receiving financial aid (scholarships, grants or loans), when the withdrawal date qualifies for reduction of tuition and fees charges, the refund typically will be used to repay the student aid programs first and go to the student/ family last. Further, government regulations may require that SMU return aid funds whether or not the University must reduce its tuition and fees (based on the *Financial Information Bulletin*); hence, a student whose account was paid in full prior to withdrawal may owe a significant amount at withdrawal due to the required return of student aid. Therefore, students who receive any financial aid should discuss, prior to withdrawal, the financial implications of the withdrawal with the Financial Aid Advising Office.

Medical withdrawals and mandatory administrative withdrawals allow a prorated refund of tuition and fees.

## Payment Plan Options

### SMU Monthly Payment Plan

The SMU TuitionPay Payment Plan administered by Higher One allows term charges to be paid in monthly installments. Students can enroll in a payment plan at [www.tuitionpaymentplan.com/smu](http://www.tuitionpaymentplan.com/smu). Higher One consultants are available at 877-279-6092 to answer questions or help with the online enrollment process.

Annual payment plans are available in 12-month, 10-month and eight-month formats. Term payment plans are available in four-month, five-month and six-month formats. The summer payment plan is three months. Payment plan options are not available for intersession terms including JanTerm, MayTerm and August terms.



## **SMU Prepayment Plan**

The SMU Prepayment Plan (a single payment up front for all terms) allows families to avoid the effects of tuition and fee increases by paying for two, three or four years in one single payment at the current rate of tuition and fees. Questions should be addressed to the Division of Enrollment Services, Southern Methodist University, PO Box 750181, Dallas TX 75275-0181; phone 214-768-2799.

## **Graduate and Professional Student Aid**

University grants, scholarships, fellowships and assistantships are awarded in the school or department in which the graduate student will enroll. Schools and departments that offer master's or Ph.D. degrees offer a significant number of tuition scholarships and teaching or research assistantships each year. For more information, students should contact the appropriate school or department.

Grants and loans for Texas residents, private and federal loans, and employment programs may be available by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA may be completed online at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). The SMU Title IV school code number is 003613.

More information is available online at [www.smu.edu/financial\\_aid](http://www.smu.edu/financial_aid).

# Enrollment and Academic Records

The standards herein are applicable to all students at the University and constitute the basic authority and reference for matters pertaining to University academic regulations and records management. Enrollment in the University is a declaration of acceptance of all University rules and regulations. A complete *University Policy Manual* is available at [www.smu.edu/policy](http://www.smu.edu/policy). Additional information regarding rules and regulations of the University can be found in this catalog. Undergraduate students must follow the University-wide requirements that are in effect for the academic year of matriculation to SMU. The applicable requirements of majors and minors are those in effect during the academic year of matriculation to SMU or those of a subsequent academic year. Students may not follow a catalog for an academic year in effect prior to their matriculation term. Students who are not enrolled for three or more years will return to SMU under the current catalog.

## General Policies

### Confidentiality of Education Records

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 is a federal law that grants students the right to inspect, obtain copies of, challenge, and, to a degree, control the release of information contained in their education records. The act and regulations are very lengthy, and for that reason, SMU has issued its own FERPA-based guidelines that are available at the University Registrar's Office FERPA website [www.smu.edu/FERPA](http://www.smu.edu/FERPA). Policy 1.18 of the *University Policy Manual* also discusses this law.

In general, no personally identifiable information from a student's education record will be disclosed to any third party without written consent from the student. Several exceptions exist, including these selected examples: 1) information defined by SMU as directory information may be released unless the student requests through my.SMU Self-Service that it be withheld, 2) information authorized by the student through my.SMU Self-Service may be released to those individuals designated by the student and 3) information may be released to a parent or guardian if the student is declared financially dependent upon the parent or guardian as set forth in the Internal Revenue Code. Additional information is available at [www.smu.edu/LegalDisclosures/FERPA](http://www.smu.edu/LegalDisclosures/FERPA).

### Student File Number

The University assigns each student an eight-digit SMU identification number, which is used to verify each student's identity and is provided without additional charges. The student should furnish the SMU ID number on all forms when requested, as this number is the primary means the University has to verify the identity for each student's academic records and transactions related to the records.

### Name Change

A student who has a change in name must provide to the University Registrar's Office his or her Social Security card or the form issued by the Social Security Administration. A valid passport may also be used to complete a name change. Enrollment or records services for the student under a name different from the last enrollment cannot be accomplished without one of the above documents. All transcripts and diplomas are issued only under a person's legal name as recorded by the University Registrar's Office.

# Email and Mailing Addresses, Telephone, and Emergency Contact

Each student must provide the University Registrar's Office with both a home and local (mailing) address, both a home and local telephone number and contact information of a designated emergency contact. Students enrolling at SMU authorize the University to notify their emergency contacts in the event of a situation affecting their health, safety, or physical or mental well-being, and to provide these contacts with information related to the situation.

International students are required to provide a residence address (physical street address where they are currently living) as their mailing (local) address. International students will be prevented from enrolling if a U.S. address is not provided.

Students are expected to keep current all their addresses and telephone numbers, including emergency contact details, through my.SMU, the University's Web-based self-service system. Students may be prevented from enrolling if their information is insufficient or outdated. Changes to parent information should be reported by contacting records@smu.edu, and the email should include the student's full name and SMU student ID number.

The University issues all students an email address. Students may have other email addresses, but the University-assigned email address is the official address for University electronic correspondence, including related communications with faculty members and academic units.

Official University correspondence may be sent to students' mailing addresses or SMU email addresses on file. It is the responsibility of students to keep all their addresses current and to regularly check communications sent to them since they are responsible for complying with requests, deadlines and other requirements sent to any of their mailing addresses on file or to their SMU email.

## Cell Phones

The University requests that students provide mobile/cell telephone numbers, as they are one means of communicating with students during an emergency. Mobile/cell telephone numbers may also be used by University officials conducting routine business. Students who do not have mobile/cell telephone or do not wish to report the numbers should provide this information to the University through my.SMU Self-Service. Students may be prevented from enrolling if their mobile/cell telephone numbers are not on file or if they have not declared "no cell" or "prefer not to report" in my.SMU.

## Ethnicity

SMU requires that a valid ethnic group category be on file for all students. SMU's policies and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 protect the confidentiality and privacy of this information. A student's ethnic group category can be viewed in my.SMU, Self-Service Student Center.

**U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents.** Ethnicity is self-determined. Students of multiple ethnic backgrounds may select multiple ethnic group categories. If the ethnic group value is incorrect, the student should go to the University Registrar's Office in the Laura Lee Blanton Student Services Building and complete an Ethnic/Racial Category Update Form.

**International Students Living in the U.S. While Attending School.** Selecting an ethnic group category is not required unless the student becomes a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.

# Transcript Service

A transcript is an official document of the permanent academic record maintained by the University Registrar's Office. The permanent academic record includes all SMU courses attempted, all grades assigned, degrees received and a summary of transfer hours accepted. Official transcripts and certifications of student academic records are issued by the University Registrar's Office for all students. Copies of high school records and transfer transcripts from other schools must be requested from the institutions where the coursework was taken.

Transcripts are \$12.25 per copy. Additional copies in the same request mailed to the same address are \$3.50. Additional copies mailed to different addresses are \$12.25 a copy. PDF transcripts are \$16.00 per email address and are available only for students who attended after summer 1996.

**Note:** No incomplete or partial transcripts, including only certain courses or grades, are issued.

Transcripts cannot be released unless the student has satisfied all financial and other obligations to the University. Instructions for requesting a transcript to be mailed or picked up on campus are available at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar) ("Transcript Requests" link). A student may request his or her official transcript through the online my.SMU Student Center. Requests are processed through the National Student Clearinghouse. Telephone and email requests are not accepted. Students or their specified third party can pick up their transcripts at the University Registrar's Office, 101 Blanton Student Services Building.

Transcripts may be released to a third party as specified by the student on the Student's Consent for SMU to Release Information to Student's Specified Third Party form accessible at [www.smu.edu/LegalDisclosures/FERPA/Forms](http://www.smu.edu/LegalDisclosures/FERPA/Forms).

**Note:** Chapter 675, S.B. 302. Acts of the 61st Texas Legislature, 1969 Regular Session, provides as follows: *Section I.* No person may buy, sell, create, duplicate, alter, give or obtain; or attempt to buy, sell, create, duplicate, alter, give or obtain a diploma, certificate, academic record, certificate of enrollment or other instrument which purports to signify merit or achievement conferred by an institution of education in this state with the intent to use fraudulently such document or to allow the fraudulent use of such document. *Section II.* A person who violates this act or who aids another in violating this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 and/or confinement in the county jail for a period not to exceed one year.

# Veterans

The University Registrar's Office certifies veterans each term for their benefits under federal programs, including the Yellow Ribbon Program. Most academic programs at SMU qualify for U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs benefits, making an SMU education accessible and affordable. Veterans are required to provide specific documents before they can be certified with the VA's Veterans Benefits Administration. Specific information regarding the certification process is available from the University Registrar's Office at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar) ("Veterans Affairs" link).

# Final Examinations

Final course examinations shall be given in all courses where they are appropriate, must be administered as specified on the official examination schedule and shall not be administered during the last week of classes. Exceptions to the examination schedule may be made only upon written recommendation of the chair of the department sponsoring the course and with the concurrence of the dean of that school, who will allow exceptions only in accordance with guidelines from the Office of the Provost.

# Complaint Procedures for Students With Disabilities

The complaint procedures for students with disabilities are available in the Disability Accommodations & Success Strategies office and online at [www.smu.edu/Provost/ALEC/DASS](http://www.smu.edu/Provost/ALEC/DASS).

## Credit Hour Loads

The unit of measure for the valuation of courses is the credit hour. Based upon the federal definition of a credit hour, each credit hour requires one hour of direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours per week of preparation on the part of students for approximately 15 weeks a semester. Most courses are valued for three credit hours, i.e., three contact hours per week and at least six hours of preparation. For three credit hour courses deployed via different course types, modes of delivery, or calendars, total number of direct contact hours should be equal to or greater than 45 hours with the total of out of class work total equal to or greater than 90 hours. Courses that deviate from this standard must provide documentation illustrating how the number of contact hours and/or work outside the course equate to this standard within the term in which the course is offered.

Enrollment for nine hours of coursework per term is recognized as a full load for students engaged in graduate studies. Individuals who enroll for fewer than these minimum hours are designated as part-time students.

A graduate student

- working on the completion of a thesis, dissertation or performance recital requirement on a full-time or part-time basis;
- enrolled in an internship or co-op program;
- enrolled as a third-year theatre major working on the completion of required production projects;
- or having an instructor appointment as part of a teaching fellowship, but not enrolled for the required number of hours;

may be certified as a full-time or part-time student if the student

- is enrolled officially for at least one course and
- is recognized by his or her director or academic dean or the dean for the Office of Research and Graduate Studies as working on the completion of the thesis, dissertation or internship requirement on a full-time or part-time basis.

In other special situations, a student not enrolled for the required number of hours may be certified as a full-time or part-time student if the student is officially enrolled for at least one course and is recognized by the academic dean or director as a full-time or part-time student, and if such recognition is approved by the provost.

**Cautionary Note:** Federal financial aid agencies and some other agencies require a minimum number of hours of enrollment for full-time status and do not make exceptions for internship, co-op or student-teaching enrollments. Students on financial aid should consult a Financial Aid Office adviser regarding minimum enrollment requirements for their situation.

**Minimum and Maximum Course Loads.** Minimum and maximum course loads allowed are based on the school of record.

## Stop Enrollment/Administrative Withdrawal

Insufficient or improper information given by the student on any admission or enrollment form – or academic deficiencies, disciplinary actions and financial obligations to the University – can constitute cause for the student to be determined ineligible to enroll or to be administratively withdrawn.

# Transfer Courses From Other Institutions

Policies for transfer coursework are found in this catalog under Master of Science and Master of Arts, Transfer of Credits.

## Enrollment Policies

### Course Scheduling and Enrollment Cycles

When students enter their school of record and into a specific degree program, they are assigned an academic adviser. Students should consult with the adviser for course scheduling, schedule changes, petitions, degree requirements and other such academic concerns. Advisers normally will have established office hours. The school's records office monitors progress and maintains official degree plans for all students in a school. Students should schedule conferences with their academic advisers and the school's records office upon admission to a school and prior to their final term to ensure that they are meeting all University and graduation requirements.

Each fall, spring and summer term has an enrollment period during which the formal process of enrollment in the University is completed. Prior to each enrollment period, the Lyle Graduate Office will publish enrollment instructions.

Each student is personally responsible for complying with enrollment procedures and for ensuring the accuracy of his or her enrollment. Students are expected to confirm the accuracy of their enrollment each term. Students who discover a discrepancy in their enrollment records after the close of enrollment for the term should immediately complete a Petition for Enrollment Policy Exception. Petitions are to be submitted to the appropriate records office within six months of the term in which the discrepancy appeared; contact information for submitting a Petition for Enrollment Policy Exception can be viewed on the University Registrar's Office website at [www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/Registrar/Enrollment/EnrollmentPolicyException](http://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/Registrar/Enrollment/EnrollmentPolicyException). Petitions submitted later than six months after the discrepancy may not be considered.

### Schedule Changes

The deadline for adding courses, dropping courses without grade record and changing sections for each enrollment period is listed on the Official University Calendar ([www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar)). Students are encouraged to seek assistance from their advisers when considering whether to add or drop a course. A student may drop a course with a grade of *W* (Withdrawn) through approximately midterm by using the my.SMU Self-Service Student Center. The specific deadline is listed on the Official University Calendar.

After the deadline date on the Official University Calendar, the student may not drop a class. All schedule changes must be processed by the deadline date specified on the Official University Calendar. **Note:** Schedule changes are not complete for official University record purposes unless finalized in the University Registrar's Office.

**Student-Athletes.** Students must consult with the Athletic Compliance Office prior to dropping a course. In the consultation, the student will review the effects the drop might have on his or her athletic participation and financial aid. After the consultation, the Athletic Compliance Office will update my.SMU to allow the student to process the drop, if necessary. The consultation is advisory; students are responsible for their enrollment. For assistance regarding scholarships or other aspects of being a student-athlete, students should contact the Office of the Assistant Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Development.

**International Students.** Students must consult with the International Student & Scholar Services office prior to dropping a course. If dropping a course will cause the student to be enrolled in fewer than the required number of hours to remain a full-time student, the student's immigration status could be affected. After the consultation, the International Student &

Scholar Services office will update my.SMU to allow the student to process the drop, if necessary. The consultation is advisory; students are responsible for their enrollment.

**Students on Merit or Need-based Financial Aid.** Students should consult with their financial aid adviser prior to dropping a course. If dropping a course will cause the student to be enrolled in fewer than the required number of hours to remain a full-time student, the student's financial aid status may be affected. After the consultation, the student may drop a course through my.SMU Self-Service. The consultation is advisory; students are responsible for their enrollment. Questions regarding this procedure or financial aid should be directed to the Office of Financial Aid.

## Withdrawal From the University

Policies on refunds for withdrawal from the University are found in the Financial Information section of this catalog and in the *Financial Information Bulletin*, which can be accessed online at [www.smu.edu/bursar](http://www.smu.edu/bursar) ("Policies and Forms" link). No refunds are made without an official withdrawal.

Students should be aware of the difference between a *drop* and a *withdrawal* and remember that they have different deadlines and separate financial policies. The deadlines for each are posted each term on the Official University Calendar at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar). A drop occurs when a student removes one or more courses from his or her schedule and remains enrolled in at least one credit hour for the term. A *withdrawal* occurs when removing the course or courses will result in the student being enrolled in **zero** hours for the term.

If a student removes all courses from his or her schedule **prior to the first day of the term**, the transaction is considered a *cancellation* and does not result in financial penalty or impact the student's transcript.

A student who wishes to withdraw (resign) from the University before the end of a term or session must initiate a Student Petition for Withdrawal form and secure approval from his/her school's records office. The records office will then submit the form to the Office of the University Registrar. The effective date of the withdrawal is the date on which the Student Petition for Withdrawal is processed in the University Registrar's Office. Discontinuance of class attendance or notification to the instructors of intention to withdraw does not constitute an official withdrawal.

The enrollment of students who withdraw on or before the tenth class day of fall or spring semester as listed on the Official University Calendar will be canceled. Courses and grades are not recorded for canceled enrollments; however, the student will owe a portion of his/her tuition and fees. Additional information is available in the *Financial Information Bulletin*, which can be accessed online at [www.smu.edu/bursar](http://www.smu.edu/bursar) ("Policies and Forms" link). A student who withdraws after the tenth class day of the fall or spring semester will receive the grade of *W* in each course in which he or she enrolled.

Medical withdrawals and mandatory administrative withdrawals allow a prorated refund of tuition and fees and have conditions that must be met prior to re-enrollment at SMU. Medical withdrawals can only be authorized by a licensed physician or psychologist counselor in the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center. Mandatory administrative withdrawals can be authorized only by the vice president for student affairs. As a matter of University policy, and in compliance with federal regulations, retroactive medical withdrawals cannot be granted. The last day for a medical withdrawal is the last day of class instruction for the term from which the student is withdrawing.

Withdrawing students living in SMU housing must check out of the residence halls with the Department of Residence Life and Student Housing per established procedures.

## Audit Enrollment (Course Visitor)

Individuals desiring to audit (visit) a class, including those concurrently enrolled for regular coursework, are required to process an Audit Permit form. Audit Permit forms must be completed, approved and received in the University Registrar's

Office no later than the last day to enroll for the term. Forms are available at [www.smu.edu/registrar](http://www.smu.edu/registrar) ("Forms Library" link). Space must be available in the class. The following regulations are applicable:

1. Classroom recitation and participation are restricted; availability of course handouts, tests and other materials is restricted; no grade is assigned and no credit is recorded; no laboratory privileges are included.
2. The individual's name does not appear on class rosters or grade rosters.
3. Regular admission and enrollment procedures are not conducted for auditors.
4. The audit fee is nonrefundable.
5. If credit is desired, the course must be enrolled for and repeated as a regular course, and the regular tuition must be paid.

## No-Credit Enrollment

Enrollment for no credit is accomplished in the conventional manner of enrollment, with regular admission and enrollment procedures being required. The student pays the regular tuition and fees, participates in class activities, and receives the grade of *NC* upon completion of the coursework. The student must indicate in writing no later than the 12th day of classes (the fourth day of classes in summer sessions; the second day of classes in intersession terms) that he or she wishes to take a course for no credit. Permission of the instructor or department is required for this type of enrollment, and the student is listed on class rolls. This enrollment is different from audit enrollments, for which no enrollment or grade is recorded.

## Class Attendance

Regular class attendance is required. At the beginning of the course, the instructor announces policies regarding the effect of class attendance on the student's standing in the course. These policies may include dropping a student from the course for nonattendance after a certain number of absences. All reasons for absence should be submitted at once to the instructor.

The satisfactory explanation of absence may release a student from disciplinary action but does not relieve a student from responsibility for the work of the course during his or her absence. A student who misses an announced test, examination or laboratory period in a regular course of study and has the permission of the instructor may be given an opportunity to make up the work at the instructor's convenience. The instructor determines in all instances the extent to which absences and tardiness affect each student's grade.

Students may be dropped by a course instructor or academic dean for nonattendance or tardiness with a grade of *W* until the calendar deadline to drop. After the deadline, students must remain enrolled in the course.

Students may also be dropped by a course instructor for inappropriate classroom behavior. The instructor must submit the request by the University deadline to drop. After the deadline, the student must remain enrolled in the class and receive a final grade of *F*.

Students who miss two successive class meetings during the official add-drop period at the beginning of each term are subject to being dropped from the class. To avoid this possibility, students should contact the instructor or the department concerned immediately following such a series of absences.

A student who has a passing grade in a course at the time of the final examination, but who misses the examination and satisfies the dean that the absence was unavoidable, may secure from the dean permission to take the examination at a time convenient for the instructor.



## Absence Due to Illness

The Dr. Bob Smith Health Center does not provide documentation for granting excused absences from class. If students are absent for illness, they should talk to their professors about how they might catch up with the material missed. If students are seriously ill and require hospitalization or an extended absence, students should talk to their professors and the Office of Student Life to decide how to deal with the interruption in their studies. To facilitate communication with their professors about their absence, students may submit the Absence from Class Form available at [www.smu.edu/healthcenter](http://www.smu.edu/healthcenter).

## Interpretation of Course Numbers

Each SMU course has a four-digit course number. The first number indicates the general level of the course.

1000–1999	First-year
2000–2999	Sophomore
3000–3999	Junior
4000–4999	Senior
5000–5999	Senior or Graduate
6000–9999	Graduate

The second digit specifies the number of credit hours; exceptions are noted below.

<i>Digit</i>	<i>Credit Hours</i>
0	0, .5 or 10–15
1	1 or 1.5

The third and fourth digits are used to make the course number unique within the department.

## Grade Policies

A student's grades are available to him or her through my.SMU Student Center.

## Grade Scale

The grade of a student in any course is determined by the instructor of the course. The following grades are authorized for recording on the student's official graduate academic record maintained by the University Registrar's Office. In order for a course to count toward a Lyle graduate degree, a grade of *C-* or higher must be earned. Any grade lower than a *C-* is not passing, but it will be counted in the cumulative graduate GPA.

<i>Grades</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Grade Points per Term Hour</i>
A	Excellent Scholarship	4.000
A-	Excellent Scholarship	3.700
B+	Good Scholarship	3.300
B	Good Scholarship	3.000
B-	Good Scholarship	2.700
C+	Fair Scholarship	2.300
C	Fair Scholarship	2.000
C-	Fair Scholarship	1.700
D+	Poor Scholarship	1.300
D	Poor Scholarship	1.000
D-	Poor Scholarship	0.700
F	Fail	0.000
P, CR	Pass, Credit	*
I	Incomplete	*
NC	No Credit Received	*
X	No Grade Received in Registrar's Office	*
WP/W	Withdrawal Passing/Withdrew	*

**Note:** Asterisks denote grades not included in a student's GPA.

## Grade of F, D, W, and Missing/Blank

Failing is graded *F*. If the student's work is incomplete, poor quality and not acceptable, a grade of *F* will be given. After such a grade, credit may be obtained only by repeating the course.

The grade of *D* represents performance below average expectations. Students receiving a *D* in a course that is a prerequisite to another course should consult with their advisers about repeating the course so that they will be

adequately prepared for work in the following course. Courses passed with a grade of *D*, *D-* or *D+* will generally not count toward major or minor requirements.

The grade of *W* cannot be recorded unless completion of the official drop or withdrawal process has occurred by the applicable deadline *during the term of enrollment*. Only the grade of *W* may be recorded if the student has officially dropped courses from the schedule or withdrawn (resigned) from the University for the term. The grade of *W* may not be revoked or changed to another grade because the act of officially dropping/withdrawing is irrevocable.

The grade of *X* is a temporary administrative grade used when an official grade has not been received from the instructor. The grade of *X* will be changed to *F* if a grade is not received within 60 days of the end of the term. Graduation candidates must clear all *X*'s prior to the deadline on the Official University Calendar, which may allow less time than 60 days. Failure to do so can result in removal from the degree candidacy list and/or conversion of the grade of *X* to the grade of *F*.

A missing or blank grade also indicates an official grade has not been received from the instructor. Graduation candidates must receive a grade for all course enrollments prior to the deadline on the Official University Calendar. Failure to do so can result in removal from the degree candidacy list and/or the assignment of a grade of *F*.

## Grade of Incomplete

A student may temporarily receive a grade of Incomplete (*I*) if a substantial portion of the course requirements have been completed with passing grades, but for some justifiable reason acceptable to the instructor, the student has been unable to complete the full requirements of the course.

The grade of *I* is normally changed to a final grade within one year but no later than the time of graduation.

At the time a grade of *I* is given, the instructor must stipulate in my.SMU the requirements and completion date that are to be met and the final grade that will be given if the requirements are not met by the completion date.

The maximum period of time allowed to clear the Incomplete is 12 months. If the Incomplete grade is not cleared by the date set by the instructor or by the end of the 12-month deadline, whichever is earlier, the grade of *I* will be changed to the grade provided by the instructor at the time the Incomplete was assigned or to a grade of *F* if no alternate grade was provided.

The grade of *I* is not given in lieu of a grade of *F* or *W*, or other grade, each of which is prescribed for other specific circumstances.

The grade of *I* in a course does not authorize a student to attend or enroll in the course during a later term. Graduation candidates must clear all Incompletes prior to the deadline on the Official University Calendar. Failure to do so can result in removal from the degree candidacy list and/or conversion of the grade of *I* to the grade indicated by the instructor at the time the grade of *I* was given.

## Grade Point Average

A student's grade point average (cumulative GPA) is computed by multiplying the credit hours of each course attempted by the grade points earned in the particular course and then dividing the total number of grade points by the total number of hours attempted, excluding those hours for which grades are shown with an asterisk on the grade chart. The GPA is truncated, not rounded, at three decimal places.

## Grade Changes

Changes of grades, including change of the grade of *I*, are initiated by the course instructor and authorized by the academic chair and by the academic dean of the school in which the course was offered. If a student requests a grade change, the instructor may ask the student to provide the request as a written petition, which may become an official part of any further process at the instructor's discretion. Changes of grades may be made only for the following authorized reasons: to clear a grade of *I*, to correct a processing error or to reflect a re-evaluation of the student's original work. A change of grade will not be based on additional work options beyond those originally made available to the entire class.

Changes of grades of *I* should be processed within a calendar year of the original grade assignment. Other changes of grades must be processed by the end of the next regular term. No grade will be changed after 12 months or after a student's graduation, except in cases where a grade is successfully appealed – provided that written notice of appeal is given within six months following graduation – and in extenuating circumstances authorized by the academic dean and approved by the University Registrar's Office.

## Grades for Repeated Courses

Students will be allowed to repeat courses according to the following rules: Both the initial and the second grades will be recorded on the student's permanent academic record (transcript). Both grades will be included in the calculation of the student's cumulative GPA and in the determination of academic probation, suspension, dismissal, honors and graduation. Only the repeated course and not the initial credit hours count toward the number of hours needed for graduation.

## Pass/Fail Option

Students should consult with their advisers before declaring the pass/fail option for any course, as some courses may not be taken pass/fail and no courses taken for pass/fail credit can be used to satisfy academic curricular requirements for Lyle graduate degrees.

## Grade Appeals

A student who feels that an assigned grade is other than the grade earned must first discuss the matter with the course instructor to determine if the discrepancy is caused by error or misunderstanding. At the time of the initial discussion, the student may be asked to provide a written petition requesting the change of grade.

A student who is not satisfied by the instructor's decision on a request for a grade change, and who maintains that the original grade was capriciously or unfairly determined, may appeal to the chair of the department in which the course was offered (or, in the case of a nondepartmental course, to a faculty agent designated by the dean of the school offering the course). After discussing the matter with the student, and bearing in mind that the final authority in matters of academic judgment in the determination of a grade rests with the course instructor, the chair (or faculty agent) will consult with the course instructor, who will subsequently report to the student the disposition of the appeal.

A student who is not satisfied by the disposition of the appeal may appeal the decision to the dean of the school offering the course. The dean will take action as he or she deems appropriate. A student may appeal the dean's decision to the provost. In their actions, the dean and the provost must respect the principle that the determination of a grade rests with the course instructor.

# Academic Advising and Satisfactory Progress Policies

## Academic Advising

For an effective advising relationship, the student must be prepared when meeting with the adviser. The student must initiate the advising appointment. The adviser will give assistance to the student, but the student has the final responsibility for the accuracy of the enrollment, the applicability of courses toward the degree requirements, and his or her academic performance.

Students are assigned an academic adviser by their academic dean's office, records office or major department. A student who enrolls without first meeting with his or her assigned academic adviser may be subject to sanctions including, but not limited to, cancellation of the term enrollment and restriction from the self-service enrollment functions.

## Leave of Absence

A leave of absence is a temporary leave from the University – a kind of "timeout" – that may be necessary during an academic career. Students may elect to take leaves of absence for a variety of reasons, including 1) medical reasons due to accident or illness, 2) family crises or other personal situation that requires an extended absence from school, 3) financial issues that may take time to resolve, and 4) academic difficulties that may best be handled by taking time to refocus on college work.

Typically, a leave of absence is for one term or one academic year. A student may extend a leave of absence by contacting his or her academic department representative. The process to return to SMU after a leave-of-absence period can be an easy one, especially if the student has gone through the steps to file for a leave of absence and planned ahead for the return. Following SMU's leave-of-absence guidelines helps 1) assure that the degree requirements per the catalog of record when the student initially matriculated at SMU still apply upon return, 2) assist with financial aid processing, and 3) provide the support needed to return to SMU and successfully finish the degree.

The SMU Leave of Absence Policy provides students with a formal process to "stop out" of SMU for either voluntary or involuntary reasons. Typically, a *leave of absence* is for a temporary departure from the institution; however, *intended permanent withdrawals* from SMU will also be processed under the Leave of Absence Policy.

The first step to effect a leave of absence is for the student to arrange an appointment to meet with his or her academic adviser, who will then assist the student with the process.

## Academic Progress

Failure to meet established minimum acceptable standards of academic or disciplinary performance can result in probation, suspension or dismissal. Information regarding disciplinary action can be found under Code of Conduct in the Student Affairs section of this catalog.

Graduate students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.000. If in any term the student falls below this cumulative GPA, the student will be placed on probation for one regular term. If at the end of the term of probation the cumulative GPA is not up to 3.000, the student may be removed from the program at the discretion of the dean's office or records office.

# Definitions: Academic Probation, Academic Suspension, Academic Reinstatement and Academic Dismissal

**Academic Probation.** Academic probation is a serious warning that the student is not making satisfactory academic progress. A student on academic probation is still eligible to enroll and is considered in good standing for enrolling in classes and for certification purposes. Academic probation is not noted on the permanent academic record; however, a student on academic probation may be subject to certain conditions during the period of probation and will be subject to academic suspension if he or she does not clear academic probation.

**Academic Suspension.** Academic suspension is an involuntary separation of the student from SMU. Academic suspension is for at least one regular term. The term of suspension might be for a longer period depending on the policy of the school of record or the terms of the individual student's suspension. Students suspended from one school are suspended from the University.

The status of academic suspension is recorded on a student's permanent academic record. While on academic suspension, a student is not in good academic standing for certification purposes and is not eligible to enroll at SMU. Students who have served their suspension and who are eligible to return may not enroll for any intersession terms without permission from their school of record.

Credits earned at another college or university during a term of suspension may not be applied toward an SMU degree. A grade point deficiency must be made up through enrollment at SMU.

**Academic Reinstatement.** A student who has been on academic suspension once may apply for reinstatement to SMU. If reinstated, the student may enroll in classes, and he or she is considered in good academic standing for purposes of certification. A student who is reinstated remains on academic probation until the conditions of academic probation are satisfied.

**Academic Dismissal.** A second suspension results in an academic dismissal from the University. Academic dismissal is final, with no possibility of reinstatement or readmission to the University. Academic dismissal is recorded on the student's permanent academic record.

## Academic Petitions and Waivers

Petitions and/or requests for waivers concerning University requirements, graduation requirements and the evaluation of transfer work should be submitted to the student's school of record office.

## Transfer Coursework

Policies for transfer credit are found in this catalog under Master of Science and Master of Arts, Transfer of Credits.

# Graduation Policies

## Apply to Graduate

Students must file an Application for Candidacy to Graduate with their school's records office no later than the last day of the first week of the term in which they will complete all degree requirements. Applications are filed through my.SMU Self-Service Student Center by the deadline date on the Official University Calendar.

Students who file an application after the published deadline may be required to pay a nonrefundable late fee. Late applications may be denied after the start of the next term, and the Application for Candidacy to Graduate applied to the next conferral date. Students taking coursework at another institution and transferring the course(s) back to SMU are responsible for ensuring that the University Registrar's Office receives their official transcript in order for their degree to be conferred for the anticipated graduation term.

SMU has three degree conferral periods for most programs: fall (December), spring (May) and summer (August). In addition, students who complete their degree requirements during a Jan Term (January), May term or August term will have their degrees conferred at the conclusion of the intersessions.

## Commencement Participation

An All-University Commencement Convocation is held in May for students enrolled and on schedule to complete degree requirements during the spring term. Students enrolled and on schedule to complete all degree requirements during the following summer session may also participate in the University Commencement Convocation, although their degrees will not be conferred until August. Students may also participate in departmental or school ceremonies according to the policies of the departments or schools.

An All-University December Commencement Convocation is held each year for students completing degree requirements during the fall term. Students who completed degree requirements during the previous summer session may also participate. Students on schedule and enrolled to complete all degree requirements during the following Jan Term (January) intersession may also participate in the December ceremony, although their degrees will be conferred in January.

A student may participate once in either the All-University Commencement Convocation in May or the All-University December Commencement Convocation for a given degree, but not both.

To participate in a ceremony, a student must apply online and file with their school's records office an Application for Candidacy to Graduate or Intent to Participate Form.

## Statute of Limitations for Degree Plans

A student who has been readmitted to the University following an absence of more than three years will be expected to meet all requirements for graduation current at the time of readmission.

# Lyle Graduate Programs Policies and Procedures

## Concurrent Enrollment

A student who wishes to enroll concurrently in another college or university should first obtain written approval from the Graduate Dean's Office that the courses taken would be transferable.

## Approved Courses

Normally all graduate-level courses are numbered 6000 and above. Graduate students may take courses numbered below 6000 if they are part of the program of study or with the approval of the faculty adviser. For the 6000 level or above, the general prerequisite, in addition to admission to graduate studies, is 12 credit hours of advanced work in the department, or six credit hours in the department and six in a closely related program approved by the major department and the dean for the Office of Research and Graduate Studies. If other specific prerequisites are needed, these are stated in departmental listings of courses.

## Readmission

Students already matriculated into a program who were not enrolled in the previous term must file a readmission application. This form must be received in the graduate office **no later than three weeks before the enrollment date** for the desired term of re-entrance. Additional information is found in the General Information section of this catalog. Re-admission is granted at the discretion of each department in consultation with the Associate Dean.

## Thesis/Praxis/Dissertation

Several master's degree programs require theses for completion; several others leave theses as an option. The Doctor of Engineering program requires the completion of a praxis. Dissertation is required of all Ph.D. programs.

Students submit a final copy of the thesis/praxis/dissertation electronically as partial fulfillment of degree requirements. A microfilm copy will be housed in the University's library and can be copied and made available to the University community, and to other individuals and institutions upon request, all at the discretion of the Central University librarian at Southern Methodist University.



# Educational Facilities and Services

## SMU Libraries

[www.smu.edu/libraries](http://www.smu.edu/libraries)

SMU libraries are one of the greatest assets of the University. The SMU libraries comprise the largest private research library in Texas and rank third in the state with over four million volumes. Service to Southern Methodist University students, faculty and staff is the primary goal of all libraries at SMU. The University's library system is divided into a number of different units

1. Central University Libraries
2. Underwood Law Library
3. Bridwell Library
4. Business Library

## Laboratories and Research Facilities

The University provides laboratories and equipment for courses in accounting, advertising, anthropology, art, biology, chemistry, communication studies, creative computation, languages, Earth sciences, film and media studies, journalism, psychology, physics, health and physical education, dance, music, theatre, and statistics, as well as civil, computer, electrical, environmental and mechanical engineering. The University is also home to a number of centers and institutes.

## Museum

**The Meadows Museum**, founded by the late philanthropist Algur H. Meadows and located at 5900 Bishop Boulevard, houses one of the finest and most comprehensive collections of Spanish art in the world, as well as selected masterpieces of modern European sculpture, from Rodin and Maillol to David Smith and Claes Oldenburg. The holdings of the museum number more than 3,500 objects including paintings, sculpture, decorative arts and works on paper from the Middle Ages to the present. Artists represented include El Greco, Velázquez, Ribera, Zurbarán, Murillo, Goya, Picasso, Dalí, and Miró. The Meadows Museum hosts a regular program of loan exhibitions each year in its temporary exhibition galleries and sponsors an active program of public lectures, tours, films, concerts and symposia, as well as children's art programs and family days throughout the year. Museum collections are often used by SMU faculty in their courses. The museum membership program includes exhibition previews, tours of private collections and opportunities for travel. Docent tours of the collection are available to school, University and adult groups. The Meadows Museum, in addition to its collection, houses a museum shop and special event rooms. Additional information is available at [www.meadowsmuseumdallas.org](http://www.meadowsmuseumdallas.org).

## Office of Information Technology

The Office of Information Technology provides computing, information processing, and communications resources to satisfy the needs of faculty, students, and staff. These services include an SMU email account, access to enrollment and financial data online, Internet access, telephone services, Web-based services, technical support, and a variety of software and hardware discounts.

SMU offers high-speed network connections throughout campus. Students can take advantage of both wired and wireless connections throughout all areas of the residence halls. Wireless coverage also extends throughout the campus in most classrooms, libraries, common areas, and several outdoor locations. In addition to on-campus Internet connections, OIT provides off-campus access to resources via a virtual private network connection and access to other research institutions Wi-Fi networks through eduroam.

All students receive an SMU email account, which will remain active after graduation. The email account may be accessed online via Office 365 ([office365.smu.edu](http://office365.smu.edu)). Students also have access to a variety of Web-based services such as my.SMU, personal blog space ([people.smu.edu](http://people.smu.edu)), unlimited cloud storage space ([smu.edu/box](http://smu.edu/box)), and the Canvas Learning Management System ([smu.edu/canvas](http://smu.edu/canvas)). Academic information, including grade history, financial information, and class registration, is available through the my.SMU system.

OIT also provides complimentary on-campus IT support. Located in Fondren Library West, the IT Help Desk provides technical assistance for most computing issues Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the regular semester. Times will vary for breaks and summer. Phone or in-house support is available for on- and off-campus connectivity issues. The IT Help Desk also offers phone support for the Microsoft Office Suite and other common applications. The OIT website ([smu.edu/oit](http://smu.edu/oit)) provides information, step-by-step instructions, and answers to many frequently asked questions. Training On-Demand is also available through LyndaCampus ([smu.edu/lynda](http://smu.edu/lynda)) for additional software.

Although most students have a personal laptop, SMU provides a number of public computer labs. Typically, the labs contain both Mac and PC workstations and support a variety of applications. Printing is also available through our PaperCut Pay-for-Print System ([smu.edu/printing](http://smu.edu/printing)). If needing to purchase a personal copy of the software, discounts on software and computer hardware purchases are available throughout the year. More information can be found on the OIT website at [smu.edu/oit](http://smu.edu/oit).

For additional information on services provided by IT, students should visit [www.smu.edu/oit](http://www.smu.edu/oit) or call the Help Desk (214-768-HELP or 214-768-4357). SMU related technology news and updates are available on Twitter (@smuoit) and the IT Connect blog ([blog.smu.edu/itconnect](http://blog.smu.edu/itconnect)).

# Educational Programs

## English as a Second Language Program

[www.smu.edu/esl](http://www.smu.edu/esl)

Students whose first language is not English may encounter special challenges as they strive to function efficiently in the unfamiliar language and culture of an American university setting. Dedman College offers the following ESL resources to students from all schools and departments of SMU. Students may apply on the ESL website.

More information about the ESL Program is available on the website or from the director, John E. Wheeler ([jwheeler@smu.edu](mailto:jwheeler@smu.edu)).

### The Courses (ESL)

**ESL 1001 (0). ESL COMMUNICATION SKILLS.** The goal of this course is to improve ESL students' oral and aural interactive skills in speaking, giving presentations, pronunciation, listening, and American idiomatic usage so that they may become more participatory in their classes and integrate more readily with their native English-speaking peers. It is designed to meet the needs of undergraduate and graduate students who may be fully competent in their field of study yet require specialized training to effectively communicate in an American class-room setting. The course is free of charge, noncredit bearing, and transcribed as pass or fail. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 1002 (0). ESL COMMUNICATION SKILLS II.** Building on skills developed in ESL 1001, students make use of their knowledge and practice to explore various aspects of American studies. In addition to speaking and presentation skills, reading and writing are also exploited as a means for students to gain a deeper understanding of American culture, customs, attitudes, and idiomatic use of the language. The course is noncredit and no-fee, and is transcribed as pass or fail. ESL 1001 is recommended as a precursor but is not a prerequisite. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 20XX (0). INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM.** All 2000-level ESL courses are exclusive to the Intensive English Program. This multilevel, yearlong program is designed to prepare students and professionals for academic success at the university level. The course of study consists of English for academic purposes, TOEFL-related skills, and American culture. It is open to currently enrolled and newly incoming students, as well as to those not affiliated with SMU. On-campus housing and meals are available during the 6-week summer term. This is a noncredit, nontranscribed program, and separate tuition fees are charged. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 3001 (0). ADVANCED GRAMMAR FOR WRITERS.** This course helps students develop their grammar and writing skills within the context of academic readings. Problem areas of English grammar and style are explored through periodic assignments, research documentation methods, and a final research project. The course is free of charge, noncredit bearing, and transcribed as pass or fail. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 3002 (0). ADVANCED ACADEMIC WRITING.** Building on principles of grammar and style covered in ESL 3001, this course helps students further improve the writing skills needed for their particular academic careers, using academic texts as a basis for out-of-class writing assignments and a final research project. The course is free of charge, noncredit bearing, and transcribed as pass or fail. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 4001 (0). ESL PRONUNCIATION SKILLS.** Students improve their pronunciation by focusing on sentence stress, rhythm, intonation, and body language while learning to mimic American speech patterns. With the instructor's assistance and extensive individual feedback, students develop personal strategies and exercises to become more aware of their own weaknesses. The course is free of charge, noncredit bearing, and transcribed as pass or fail. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

**ESL 6001, 6002 (0). SEMINAR FOR INTERNATIONAL TEACHING ASSISTANTS.** Graduate students who speak English as a second language prepare for their teaching responsibilities with undergraduate students taking University Curriculum courses. The main components include language skills needed as international teaching assistants, ITA-related teaching methodology, cross-cultural communication within the American classroom, and presentation skills. Also, examination of case studies, microteaching demonstrations, and periodic out-of-class individual consultations on the student's language and pedagogical skills. The course is free of charge, noncredit bearing, and transcribed as pass or fail. *Prerequisite:* ESL Program approval required.

## Conversation Buddy Program

At the beginning of each term, all students are notified via campus email of the opportunity to practice their language skills in an informal, one-on-one setting outside the classroom for one to two hours a week.

## ESL Self-Study Lab

A collection of materials is available for self-study use at the Fondren Library Information Commons. Students will find materials to help them improve their pronunciation, listening, vocabulary and grammar skills.

## SMU-in-Plano

[www.smu.edu/plano](http://www.smu.edu/plano)

SMU's campus in Plano's Legacy Business Park extends SMU's resources to meet the educational needs of residents in Collin County and beyond, and makes enrollment in graduate-level programs more convenient for working professionals in North Texas. The campus collaborates with area businesses by offering programs to serve the training needs of their employees and by providing corporate meeting space.

Conveniently located about 1 mile south of the intersection of state Highway 121 and the Dallas North Toll Road, SMU-in-Plano features 16 landscaped acres and four buildings with nearly 200,000 square feet of classroom space.

SMU-in-Plano serves more than 800 adult students each year through several full-time, evening and weekend programs leading to master's degrees and/or professional certificates in counseling, dispute resolution and video game technology (SMU Guildhall). In addition, numerous noncredit certificates and professional development programs are offered in Plano, including paralegal studies, certified financial planner, social media and digital communications, best practices in supervision, and project management.

During the summer, more than 2,000 children participate in a variety of programs designed to enhance their academic skills. The campus also provides important outreach services to the surrounding Collin County communities; these services include the Mediation and Arbitration Center and the Center for Family Counseling.

More information is available online or through the SMU-in-Plano office: 5236 Tennyson Parkway, Building 4, Plano, TX 75024, 972-473-3400.

# Oak Ridge Associated Universities

**Note:** Only available for graduate students in either Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences or Lyle School of Engineering.

Since 1953, students and faculty of Southern Methodist University have benefited from its membership in Oak Ridge Associated Universities. ORAU is a consortium of colleges and universities and a management and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. ORAU works with its member institutions to help their students and faculty gain access to federal research facilities throughout the country; to keep its members informed about opportunities for fellowship, scholarship and research appointments; and to organize research alliances among its members.

Through the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (the U.S. Department of Energy facility that ORAU operates), undergraduates, graduates, postgraduates and faculty enjoy access to a multitude of opportunities for study and research. Students can participate in programs covering a wide variety of disciplines, including business, Earth sciences, epidemiology, engineering, physics, geological sciences, pharmacology, ocean sciences, biomedical sciences, nuclear chemistry and mathematics.

ORAU's Office of Partnership Development seeks opportunities for partnerships and alliances among ORAU's members, private industry and major federal facilities. Activities include faculty development programs, such as the Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Enhancement Awards, the Visiting Industrial Scientist Program and various services to chief research officers.

For more information about ORAU and its programs, students should contact Dr. James E. Quick, ORAU councilor for SMU (214-768-4345), Monnie E. Champion, ORAU corporate secretary (423-576-3306), or visit the ORAU website at [www.orau.org](http://www.orau.org).

## Continuing and Professional Education

The Office of Continuing and Professional Education provides noncredit courses that address different cultural, scholarly, personal and professional topics for the community, a practice that has been part of the SMU tradition since 1957. CAPE offers a selection of courses for open enrollment each fall, spring and summer term. Additional information is available at [www.smu.edu/cape](http://www.smu.edu/cape).

**Personal Enrichment.** CAPE classes are generally short sessions on topics for enjoyment and reflection. Courses offered for personal enrichment include several major areas of exploration: personal finance and life planning, communication and workplace skills, history, literature and film, culture and travel, and the fine arts (e.g., studio art, music, architecture, photography and art history). CAPE also offers noncredit language conversation courses, including Spanish, French, Italian, Mandarin Chinese and American Sign Language.

**Test Preparation.** Study courses for the SAT, ACT, GRE, GMAT and LSAT are offered throughout the year. Information is available at [www.smu.edu/testprep](http://www.smu.edu/testprep).

**Professional Development.** For those who are seeking professional achievement or a new career direction but who are not interested in a traditional undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program, CAPE offers noncredit courses to enhance workplace skills and noncredit **certificate programs**, including special certificates offered in partnership with Meadows School of the Arts, the National Criminal Justice Training Center and the Center for Nonprofit Management.

Students complete certificates by taking a series of classes over weeks or months, depending on the specialization and the student's schedule. Cohort and independent options are available, with some classes being offered online. Upon

completion of the series, students receive a noncredit transcript documenting completion from Continuing and Professional Education at SMU.

Additional information and a full listing of current opportunities are available at [www.smu.edu/cape/professionaldevelopment](http://www.smu.edu/cape/professionaldevelopment).

**SMU's Summer Youth Program** offers one-week, special-interest enrichment workshops throughout the summer for those entering grades K-12. More information is available at [www.smu.edu/CAPE/SummerYouth](http://www.smu.edu/CAPE/SummerYouth)

**Online Learning.** CAPE partners with national leaders in online teaching and learning to offer self-paced, practical, career-enhancing courses. Additional information is available at [www.smu.edu/capeonline](http://www.smu.edu/capeonline).

# Student Life and Housing

## Student Affairs

The mission of the Division of Student Affairs ([www.smu.edu/studentaffairs](http://www.smu.edu/studentaffairs)) is to develop, with others in the University, opportunities for students to become productive citizens through the creation of challenging environments that contribute to students' intellectual, spiritual, physical, social, cultural, moral and emotional growth, and, in so doing, engage them with the widest range of persons within the University and beyond. The vice president for student affairs oversees programs, services and activities that complement students' academic pursuits and promote their development, success and co-curricular learning.

Concern for and realization of the full development of each student in and out of the classroom constitutes one of the major goals of the University. Consequently, the division's programs are designed to support and supplement SMU's formal academic work. Many departments exist to provide services for the benefit and convenience of SMU students. The Division of Student Affairs encompasses a broad range of programs and services dealing with housing and residential matters, physical and mental wellness, personal and career counseling and testing, recreational sports and intramurals, religious affairs, multicultural student programs, as well as student conduct and community standard matters, new student orientation, leadership programs, volunteer opportunities and women's programs.

## Academic Integrity and Code of Conduct

### The Honor Code of Southern Methodist University

Intellectual integrity and academic honesty are fundamental to the processes of learning and of evaluating academic performance, and maintaining them is the responsibility of all members of an educational institution. The inculcation of personal standards of honesty and integrity is a goal of education in all the disciplines of the University.

The faculty has the responsibility of encouraging and maintaining an atmosphere of academic honesty by being certain that students are aware of the value of it, understand the regulations defining it and know the penalties for departing from it. The faculty should, as far as is reasonably possible, assist students in avoiding the temptation to cheat. Faculty members must be aware that permitting dishonesty is not open to personal choice. A professor or instructor who is unwilling to act upon offenses is an accessory with the student offender in deteriorating the integrity of the University.

Students must share the responsibility for creating and maintaining an atmosphere of honesty and integrity. Students should be aware that personal experience in completing assigned work is essential to learning. Permitting others to prepare their work, using published or unpublished summaries as a substitute for studying required material, or giving or receiving unauthorized assistance in the preparation of work to be submitted are directly contrary to the honest process of learning. Students who are aware that others in a course are cheating or otherwise acting dishonestly have the responsibility to inform the professor and/or bring an accusation to the Honor Council.

Students and faculty members must share the knowledge that any dishonest practices permitted will make it more difficult for the honest students to be evaluated and graded fairly and will damage the integrity of the whole University. Students should recognize that their own interests and their integrity as individuals would suffer if they condone dishonesty in others.

# The Honor System

All SMU undergraduate students and graduate students enrolled in the Cox School of Business, Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, Lyle School of Engineering, Meadows School of the Arts, and Simmons School of Education and Human Development are subject to the Honor Code and as such are required to demonstrate an understanding of and to uphold the Honor Code. Honor codes for graduate students enrolled in the Cox School of Business, Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, Dedman School of Law, Lyle School of Engineering, Meadows School of the Arts, Perkins School of Theology and Simmons School of Education and Human Development are explained in their graduate catalogs.

In support of the Honor Code, the Honor Council has the responsibility to maintain and promote academic integrity. The Honor Council is composed of a minimum of 27 members selected through an application and interview process organized by the Honor Council Executive Board.

Academic dishonesty includes plagiarism, cheating, academic sabotage, facilitating academic dishonesty and fabrication. Plagiarism is prohibited in all papers, projects, take-home exams or any other assignments in which the student submits another's work as being his or her own. Cheating is defined as intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information or study aids in any academic exercise. Academic sabotage is defined as intentionally taking any action that negatively affects the academic work of another student. Facilitating academic dishonesty is defined as intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to violate any provision of the Honor Code. Fabrication is defined as intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.

Suspected cases of academic dishonesty may be handled administratively by the appropriate faculty member in whose class the alleged infraction occurred or referred to the Honor Council for resolution. Suspected violations reported to the Honor Council by a student or by an instructor will be investigated and, if the evidence warrants, a hearing will be held by a board composed of a quorum of four members of the Honor Council.

Any appeal of an action taken by the Honor Council shall be submitted to the University Conduct Council in writing no later than four calendar days (excluding school holidays) after notification of the Honor Council's decision.

## Code of Conduct

The following are University procedures and standards with which every student must become familiar. The University considers matriculation at SMU an implicit covenant and a declaration of acceptance on the part of the student of all University regulations. The Student Conduct & Community Standards Office, website [www.smu.edu/studentconduct](http://www.smu.edu/studentconduct), promotes community, scholarship and civility by holding students accountable to the Student Code of Conduct and the Honor Code.

Standards of conduct are established through faculty, student and administrative efforts and are under continuous evaluation by the entire University community in order to assure reasonable and fair limits. At SMU, the student is assumed to have a high degree of loyalty and responsibility to the University and its well-being, as well as to himself or herself in personal, social and intellectual pursuits; the student's behavior both on and off campus is evidence of this.

Students at SMU will discover that they are encouraged to exercise a great amount of personal freedom as well as accompanying responsibilities. Through their personal capacities for intelligent thought and action, mature students understand that there are situations in which certain behavior must be modified for the benefit of others. The University stands firm in its commitments to the rights and freedoms of students, expecting in return the same respect and concern.

Due respect for the entire University community, faculty, staff and one's fellow students is always expected. The University expects all students to be responsible citizens and to abide by all federal, state and local laws. The University Code of Conduct applies to students both on and off campus. It is the University's expectation that students will avoid behaviors such as, but not limited to, the misuse of drugs and alcohol, dishonesty, gambling, hazing, or behavior that endangers or threatens to endanger the health and safety of any person.



Students are required to identify themselves when asked by a properly identified faculty or staff member, or by another student serving as a University staff member. Persons who are not members of the University community and without business on campus may be asked to leave.

## Conduct Review Process

Clear disciplinary procedures are an important part of the mission of SMU as an educational institution. The intent of the system of due process at SMU is to be educational and not merely punitive for students. The goal continues to be to produce quality citizens. The purpose of the conduct review process is to encourage personal responsibility.

Depending on the degree of misconduct, a student may be subject to sanctions ranging from an informal warning to expulsion from the University. In addition, a student may be assigned educational sanctions designed to promote personal growth and development. Should a student be asked to leave the University, he or she should do so in an expeditious and peaceful manner. The student should remain off campus until he or she receives written permission from the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards to return to campus. In the event of such separation, a student is still responsible for University financial obligations.

To ensure fairness and due process for all students in the conduct process, the student is granted an impartial hearing and the right to appeal to the University Conduct Council. A student who is appealing a sanction may remain in school until the decision and penalty are reviewed, unless otherwise determined by the Dean of Student Life, the Vice President for Student Affairs, or their designee. All actions related to the conduct review process are subject to presidential review.

Having voluntarily enrolled as students at Southern Methodist University and assumed a place in the University community, all students are presumed to be knowledgeable of, and have agreed to abide by, the rules and regulations set forth in the Student Code of Conduct, as outlined in the *SMU Student Handbook*, which is available online at [www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook](http://www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook).

## Housing

The Department of Residence Life and Student Housing supports the goals of the University by creating residential communities that empower residents to value learning, citizenship and leadership in comfortable, well-maintained facilities. The department is responsible for the campus residential community, including all residence halls, SMU-owned apartments and SMU-owned Greek chapter houses.

## Hegi Family Career Development Center

[www.smu.edu/career](http://www.smu.edu/career)

The Hegi Family Career Development Center at SMU is dedicated to serving the needs of SMU students and alumni and assisting employers in reaching qualified candidates from SMU. The Career Development Center staff guides and encourages students and alumni in the development of skills necessary for lifelong career management and offers opportunities for employers to recruit students through campus events and online resources. At Hegi, the staff cares about helping students develop into well-rounded individuals, and is dedicated to values of consistency, authenticity and commitment to excellence.

**Career Express Drop-in Hours.** The Career Center offers 15-minute sessions to drop-ins on a first-come, first-served, basis. In these sessions, students can discuss career options or get help editing a resume. Additional information is available on our website at [www.smu.edu/career](http://www.smu.edu/career).

**Counseling Appointments.** The Career Center also provides opportunities for counseling appointments with a staff member. These longer sessions can help students navigate the more complex issues of career development including, self-understanding, goal creation and career strategies.

**Peer Mentors.** Peer Mentors are highly trained student leaders who help fellow students navigate the career development process, including assisting with drop-ins, editing cover letters and resumes, and representing Hegi at campus events.

**Career Development Ambassadors.** CDA is a student organization designed to provide career development opportunities on the SMU Campus. CDAs organize events for the SMU community, which inspire engagement in the career development process, develop students' career tools, and provide networking opportunities.

**Experiential Learning.** Want to learn more about an industry, company or specific job? Experiential learning is the best way to do so. Below are some easy ways to get connected:

- **Coffee Chats:** Meet an employer in an informal setting to learn about their career journey.
- **Mentors:** Connect and develop a relationship with an SMU alum who is in a career you are interested in.
- **Externship:** Shadow an SMU alum for the day and learn about their career path and what they do on a daily basis. The SMU Connection program is a partnership with Alumni Relations, which provides students exposure to today's competitive and ever-changing job market.
- **Informational Interview:** Have a conversation with an alum and/or employer for an hour to learn out their education and career path.

**Employer Events.** Our Office cultivates meaningful relationships with organizations and employers who are invested in networking with dynamic, talented and skilled students across SMU's liberal and communication arts communities. Throughout the year, the Career Center hosts 2-4 Career and Internship Fairs, along with a host of Employer Industry Panels, Company Information Sessions and Industry Training and Development Workshops. These events offer students an opportunity to work with employers and alumni and to learn the skills necessary to be successful in the workplace.

## Student Life

The Office of the Dean of Student Life ([www.smu.edu/studentlife](http://www.smu.edu/studentlife)) educates students and the SMU community by providing purposeful opportunities for learning, growing, clarifying values, and developing decision-making and other skills that promote responsible citizenship and well-being. Located in the Hughes-Trigg Student Center, the office is a resource for students to consult when they need general information and assistance. The dean serves as a primary liaison for students and parents who have concerns about any aspect of their SMU experience.

## Student Activities

[www.smu.edu/orgs](http://www.smu.edu/orgs)

The mission of the Department of Student Activities is to advise and support student organizations and to encourage student development through involvement. Involvement outside the classroom is a tradition at SMU. Research shows that students who get involved outside the classroom tend to be more successful during their college experience. The department supports more than 200 extracurricular opportunities for SMU students through academic and professional associations, campus programming councils, community service coalitions, fraternities and sororities, governing boards, nine honor societies, multicultural organizations, political clubs, club sports, religious organizations, and special-interest groups. Higher-education professionals advise and support specific areas of involvement, including diversity, programming and governance, and are available to answer student's day-to-day questions about getting involved.

The Student Activities Office is located on the third floor of the Hughes-Trigg Student Center, Suite 314. Additionally, Suite 300 is the hub of activity and resources for several SMU student organizations. Many out-of-class programs planned and

implemented by students are considered co-curricular in that they are designed to complement a student's educational experience. These student groups and their committees provide many opportunities for students to become involved as leaders or participants.

Additional information is available online, including organization interests or type, membership requirements, contact information and event calendars. The department can also assist students in forming a new organization.

**Eligibility Requirements.** Campus activities and organizations are an integral part of the developmental experience for SMU students. Leadership skills and interpersonal, social and cultural enhancement are some of the benefits associated with out-of-class participation. Students who hold office in a student organization or represent the University as a member of a sponsored campus group (Mustang Band, University Choir, etc.) must be matriculated in a University degree-granting program and may not be on academic probation.

## Student Government

Through SMU's system of representative governance, students participate with faculty and administration in the University's decision-making process. The primary voice of students in this process is the student-elected Student Senate. The Student Code of Conduct in the *SMU Student Handbook* is reviewed and updated annually in conjunction with the Student Senate and contains the student code of rights and responsibilities.

## Student Center

[www.smu.edu/htrigg](http://www.smu.edu/htrigg)

The Hughes-Trigg Student Center supports the University's mission by serving as the hub of student life and student activities. The Student Center serves as the "living room" of the university and provides services, conveniences, amenities and programming designed to enhance the student experience on campus. The Student Center staff strives to provide a safe and communal environment to meet the diverse needs of all individuals. Our building includes a 6400 square foot ballroom, a tiered, amphitheater-style forum classroom, a 500-person capacity auditorium, two dining areas, a post office, an art gallery, office and meeting space for student organizations, several lounging and quiet areas, in which to study, and six meeting rooms.

## Student Media

The student media experience at SMU is one that offers aspiring media professionals the opportunity to work and learn in a fully converged news operation that combines print, online and broadcast platforms. Editors, writers and photographers of the *SMU Campus Weekly*, SMU's independent newspaper, work together with directors and videographers of SMU-TV, the student-run broadcast journalism program, to share content and produce timely and compelling packages for a shared news website at [www.smudailycampus.com](http://www.smudailycampus.com). SMU student media opportunities also include the student yearbook, *Rotunda* ([www.smurotunda.com](http://www.smurotunda.com)), which has chronicled the life and times on The Hilltop since 1915.

## Veterans Services

The Division of Student Affairs provides a coordinator of veteran support and services through the Office of the Dean of Student Life and Well-Being. The coordinator helps veterans navigate the campus community and connect with available resources on campus and in the greater Dallas community. A chartered student organization, U.S. Military Veterans of SMU (SMU MilVets), meets regularly to provide support to fellow veterans and to participate in fundraisers, care package drives, tailgating on the Boulevard during football games and other activities during the school year. The Veterans Center, in Hughes-Trigg Student Center, Suite 323, provides coffee, a refrigerator and microwave, printing, meeting and study

space, and a relaxed setting for interacting with fellow veterans. The University Registrar's Office certifies veterans each term for their benefits under federal programs and the Office of Financial Aid works to provide individual aid packages. More information regarding services and benefits for veterans is available at [www.smu.edu/veterans](http://www.smu.edu/veterans).

## Women & LGBT Center

[www.smu.edu/womenandlgbtcenter](http://www.smu.edu/womenandlgbtcenter)

The Women & LGBT Center empowers students within the university to increase awareness and understanding of gender equity issues by eliminating barriers, diminishing prejudices and creating a supportive climate and space for all. Through advocacy, information, referral services and leadership experiences, the center provides a safe haven for students passionate about issues of injustice and oppression. Student organizations advised here include the Women's Interest Network; Intersect; Campus YWCA; Women in Science and Engineering; and Spectrum, a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and ally organization. Also housed in the center is the SMU Women's Symposium ([www.smu.edu/womsym](http://www.smu.edu/womsym)), which is part of the Education of Women for Social and Political Leadership series, established in 1966. The center provides an informal, homelike atmosphere where members of the SMU community can meet.

## Health Services

[www.smu.edu/healthcenter](http://www.smu.edu/healthcenter)

The Dr. Bob Smith Health Center provides SMU students with comprehensive outpatient services, including primary medical care, counseling services, health education and laboratory, radiology and pharmacy services. The new 33,000-square-foot state-of-the-art clinic facility is centrally located on campus at 6211 Bishop Boulevard. The Health Center is certified by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) for meeting rigorous nationally recognized standards and committing to delivering the highest quality of care.

**Outpatient Medical Services.** The Dr. Bob Smith Health Center provides a wide range of health services allowing students to receive quality outpatient care on campus. Services available include the treatment of acute illnesses, care of injuries, minor medical procedures, physical exams, STD testing, immunizations, allergy injections, laboratory testing and x-rays. The clinic is staffed by physicians, registered nurses and medical assistants. Physicians are available 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For appointments and health information, students may call 214-768-2141 or visit [studenthealth.smu.edu](http://studenthealth.smu.edu).

**Acute/After Hours Care.** Students should call 911 for immediate response to life-threatening injuries or illnesses. For other urgent concerns after clinic hours, students should seek a local hospital or urgent care center. A listing of several hospital emergency rooms and after-hours urgent care facilities is provided for general reference on the Health Center website ([smu.edu/healthcenter](http://smu.edu/healthcenter))

**Costs.** The Health Services Fee, which is included in general student fees, covers routine medical visits and counseling appointments at the Health Center. Charges are assessed separately for lab services, x-rays, immunizations, medical supplies, pharmacy and specialty care. Claims are filed for students participating in the SMU Student Health Insurance Plan. Students with other insurance plans may request an itemized receipt for insurance reimbursement.

**Mandatory Health Insurance Policy.** SMU students are required to maintain insurance coverage as a condition of their enrollment. The University offers the SMU Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP), which is administered by the Health Center's Student Insurance Office. The plan provides extensive coverage at a reasonable cost for most on- and off-campus medical care. Information is available at [smu.edu/healthinsurance](http://smu.edu/healthinsurance).

Domestic students taking nine or more credit hours and international students taking one credit hour or more are automatically enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) each semester unless they expressly waive coverage in my.SMU.edu. Domestic students' waiver submittal deadline is available online at [smu.edu/healthinsurance](http://smu.edu/healthinsurance).

**Pharmacy.** A full service pharmacy is conveniently located in the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center to meet students' prescription needs from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The pharmacy is in network with most insurance plans. Prescriptions and refills may be transmitted directly to the pharmacy from the physician.

**Immunizations.** All students (undergraduate, graduate, part-time and full-time, to include international and IEP/ESL students) are required to have an SMU medical history form on file in the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center before registration. To comply with SMU policy, all students must also submit to the Health Center immunization records that provide proof of immunization against measles, mumps and rubella. These MMR immunizations must be documented by a physician, public health record, military health record or school health record. Students will not be allowed to register without immunization compliance.

Texas state law requires all new students entering an institution of higher education under the age of 22 to provide proof of immunization for bacterial meningitis. The meningitis vaccine or a booster dose must have been received during the five-year period prior to enrollment and at least ten days before the start of classes. Students seeking exemption from this requirement due to health risk or conscience, including religious belief, should see the second page of the SMU medical history health form. More information is found under Final Matriculation to the University in the Admission to the University section of this catalog.

Students are encouraged to check their my.SMU account for immunization status. Immunizations are available at the Health Center. Health history forms are available on the Health Center's website ([www.smu.edu/healthcenter](http://www.smu.edu/healthcenter)).

**Class Absence Due to Illness.** The Health Center does not issue excuses from classes for illness. Please refer to [www.smu.edu/healthcenter](http://www.smu.edu/healthcenter) for the Class Excuse Policy.

**Confidentiality and Privacy.** Confidentiality and privacy of student health information is of paramount importance at the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center. The Health Center follows all applicable state and federal laws related to the disclosure of medical and mental health information, and applies to the highest professional standards of care and privacy. All student-patient health service records information is confidential. No information about a student can be released to any third party without the student's written permission.

**Release of Medical Information.** A copy of medical records may be released to a physician only with a written release by the student. A patient may sign a release allowing the Health Center to discuss specific medical information with their parents, significant others or health care representatives.

**Office of Health Education and Promotion.** The Health Center provides health education programs and services to enhance the well-being of SMU students in support of their learning and success. Information is presented to help students make informed and healthy choices. The SMU health educator works with students to promote activities that create a healthy environment for the SMU community.

**Counseling Services.** CS provides psychiatric evaluation, crisis intervention and group/individual/couples psychotherapy for students. All interviews are conducted on a voluntary and confidential basis. There is no charge to students who have paid the University health fee. Students can seek confidential help for concerns such as anxiety, depression, relationship issues, career/life planning, sexual identity, eating/body image concerns and sexual assault/sexual harassment matters. Alcohol and drug prevention is a free and confidential source of help and information to the SMU community, covering issues related to substance abuse and addiction. Any laboratory tests or pharmaceuticals ordered will be charged to the student. For more information regarding scheduling appointments, students should call 214-768-2277 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or visit the counseling website at [www.smu.edu/counseling](http://www.smu.edu/counseling).

**Testing Services.** Testing Services offers fee-based testing to the Dallas-area community. These services include on-campus administration of national testing programs such as the LSAT, MPRE, GRE and others. Other testing offered includes credit by exam (CLEP), and correspondence examinations for local distance learners enrolled in other universities. For additional information, students should visit [smu.edu/testingprogram](http://smu.edu/testingprogram) or call the center at 214-768-2269.

## Child Care

SMU provides a licensed child care center for children ages 1 month to 5 years on a space-available basis. More information is available at [www.smu.edu/childcare](http://www.smu.edu/childcare) or from the director of the center at SMU Preschool and Child Care Center, Southern Methodist University, PO Box 215, Dallas TX 75275-0215; phone 214-768-2278.

## Recreational Sports

[www.smu.edu/recsports](http://www.smu.edu/recsports)

Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports is a 170,000 square foot facility designed for recreational sports and wellness. The center provides racquetball courts, aerobic studios, an indoor running track, basketball courts, volleyball courts (indoor and outdoor), a climbing wall, a bouldering wall, a 25-meter recreational pool with five lanes, 15,000 square feet of fitness and weight equipment, and a Starbucks in the lobby area. These facilities are open to SMU students, faculty, staff and paying members.

A variety of services and programs are available, including fitness classes, intramural sports, sport clubs, the Outdoor Adventure program, personal training, personal assessments, massage therapy, swimming lessons and camps.

**Fitness.** SMU Fitness offers group exercise classes, personal training sessions and massage therapy. Group X exercise classes are offered throughout the day to accommodate a variety of schedules. Different types of cardio, strength and flexibility classes are available. Experienced and knowledgeable trainers offer sessions to train members of the University community, either one-on-one or in groups, to meet their personal fitness goals. Licensed massage therapists offer chair or full-body massages. All SMU Fitness programs have a fee for participation.

**Intramural Sports.** Many opportunities for team and individual competition are available through intramural sports such as golf, racquetball, tennis, and dodgeball. The five major sports are flag football, volleyball, basketball, soccer and softball. Leagues provide year-round opportunities to participate in a wide variety of sports and activities. Additional leadership opportunities are available for those interested in officiating or supervising various activities. Teams and individuals register online at [www.imleagues.com/smu](http://www.imleagues.com/smu).

**Club Sports.** Club sports offer an opportunity for students interested in concentrated training and participation in a sport. These recognized student organizations offer competition with other university/college club teams in baseball, cycling, ice hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, polo, rugby, men's and women's soccer, triathlon, ultimate Frisbee, volleyball, wakeboarding and water polo.

**Aquatics.** SMU Aquatics features a five-lane, indoor recreational pool and an outdoor, zero-depth entry fountain pool known as "The Falls." Students have opportunities to participate year-round in recreational swimming, sunbathing and water sports such as water basketball, volleyball and polo. Classes offered include water fitness, adult and child swimming lessons, children's group lessons, and American Red Cross lifeguard training.

**Outdoor Adventures.** SMU Outdoor Adventures is the campus source for outdoor recreation and adventure, offering fun and challenging recreational adventure activities, community-building programs, and student leadership and personal growth opportunities. The Outdoor Adventure Center, located on the bottom floor of the Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports, is the place to rent outdoor recreation and picnic equipment. Students can sign up for SMU OA trips offering traditional and non-traditional outdoor adventure pursuits such as backpacking, rock climbing, caving and canoeing. SMU OA also manages the SMU Climbing Center, the indoor climbing and bouldering facility, and the Portable Challenge and Team Development course.

**Mustang Band.** Founded in 1917, the Mustang Band was named the "Best College Marching Band" in Texas in Kirk Dooley's *Book of Texas Bests*. Long known as "the hub of SMU spirit," the band represents the University at football and basketball games, produces the *Pigskin Revue* during Homecoming and performs at special University- and community-

related events. Membership is open to all SMU students by audition, regardless of major, and scholarships based on need and ability are available.

**Spirit Squads.** The Mustang Cheerleaders, Mustang Pom Squad and Peruna mascot are integral parts of SMU's spirit tradition and are national award winners, having participated in the NCA/NDA Collegiate National Championships. Along with the Mustang Band, they make SMU's spirit contingent an outstanding one.

**Intercollegiate Athletics.** SMU is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (Division I-A). Men and women student-athletes compete in basketball, cross-country/track and field (women only), swimming and diving, golf, soccer, tennis, volleyball (women only), crew (women only), equestrian (women only), and football (men only).

## Values and Community

### Office of the Chaplain and Religious Life

[www.smu.edu/chaplain](http://www.smu.edu/chaplain)

The Office of the Chaplain and Religious Life offers resources of pastoral care and theological reflection that nurture spiritual and vocational development as well as the moral and ethical vision and character of students, faculty and staff. Dr. Stephen W. Rankin is the chaplain and minister to the University community. Chaplain Rankin leads and preaches at Underground, an ecumenically Christian, all-University service of worship, in Hughes-Trigg Theater each Wednesday during the term. Students, faculty and staff are invited to participate in this service through music, scripture readings or other expressions of worship. Other services, including the University Service of Memory, Ash Wednesday Service and memorial services as needed, are also planned and implemented by the Office of the Chaplain.

Presently, there are more than 30 religious life organizations. Alongside the Christian groups aligned with denominations, local Dallas-area congregations or national parachurch ministries, SMU also has an active Hillel chapter for Jewish students, a bustling Muslim Student Association and other faith groups of various traditions. A large number of undergraduate, graduate and professional students, as well as many of SMU's faculty, staff and administrators, participate in these dynamic religious communities.

In cooperation with the Department of Residence Life and Student Housing, the Office of the Chaplain places in each residential commons a residential community chaplain who provides a pastoral presence and help for students navigating the sometimes confusing concerns of life.

Additionally, the Office of the Chaplain partners with faculty members across campus to direct the Faith and Learning Scholars, an initiative involving a cohort of students who want the experience of integrating their faith with their academic pursuits. Similarly, the Civil Rights Pilgrimage, founded in 2004, is an eight-day spring break journey through the South whereby students encounter shrines of freedom and meet heroes of the civil rights movement. This collaboration with Dedman College offers students a transformative opportunity while earning academic credit.

Chaplains are available for personal counseling and spiritual direction with students, faculty and staff during office hours. The Office of the Chaplain is located in the Hughes-Trigg Student Center, Suite 316. Adjacent to this office is the Quiet Place, a setting for meditation, prayer and reflection for all faiths. The Quiet Place is open daily and available with no prior reservation needed.

## Community Engagement and Leadership

[www.smu.edu/cel](http://www.smu.edu/cel)

The Community Engagement and Leadership Center, a department in the Division of Student Affairs, develops student leaders through educational and transformational experiences that equip them to have a positive impact on social change. CEL advises and supports two student-run service-based organizations, Alternative Breaks and Mustang Heroes, which provide students the opportunity to participate in service trips in Dallas and throughout the United States. CEL also hosts the annual Stampede of Service and MLK Day of Service.

The leadership programs available to students include the Emerging Leaders First-Year Leadership Development Program, the Crain Leadership Summit, the Mustang Intersections Leadership Retreat for Diversity and Social Change, and the Lonestar LeaderShape Institute. CEL also supports student leadership development through the Caswell Leadership Program, a grant opportunity for a group of selected students to develop projects focused on organizational leadership, faith-based leadership, community-based leadership, environmental leadership, fraternity and sorority leadership, or culturally competent leadership.

## Multicultural Student Affairs

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs works collaboratively with the campus community to provide support for students of color and to create an environment that fosters inclusivity and a deeper understanding of diversity. The office focuses on holistic development, advocacy and comprehensive student success. In addition, the office sponsors diversity and social justice education programs such as InterSECTIONS and Real Talk to provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas and experiences that enhance student perspectives, and offers various leadership opportunities through culturally based student organizations, peer dialogue leader positions and the CONNECT Mentoring and Retention Program. For more information, visit our website at [www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/Multicultural](http://www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/Multicultural).

## Residence Accommodations

The University prides itself on offering a full living and learning experience for its resident students. The mission of the Department of Residence Life and Student Housing is to advance the goals and objectives of the University by creating residential communities that empower residents to value learning, citizenship and leadership. To this end, RLSH seeks opportunities to promote an intellectual culture in SMU's residential communities that complements an already flourishing campus social culture. RLSH is responsible for residence halls, 11 Residential Commons and 10 SMU-owned Greek chapter houses. This responsibility includes making sure that facilities are well maintained and that students have opportunities to grow personally and excel academically.

## Housing Policy for All Students

All incoming first-year undergraduate students are required to live on campus during their first two years at SMU. Exceptions may be granted on the basis of a financial, medical or personal hardship at the discretion of the dean of RLSH to those students from Dallas/Fort Worth who live with a parent or legal guardian in the primary residence of the parent or guardian. For housing purposes, the *two years* means the first two years of college. Incoming transfer students who are over the age of 16 and under the age of 20 are required to live on-campus for their first year at SMU. For 2016–2017, upperclass and graduate students are not required to live on campus but may apply on a space-available basis.



## **Applications for Residence**

New graduate students should submit the completed application and housing license agreement to RLSH with a check or money order for \$100 made payable to Southern Methodist University for the nonrefundable housing deposit. Notification of assignment will be made by RLSH.

The housing license agreement is for the full academic year (fall and spring terms). Room charges for the fall term will be billed and are payable in advance of the term for students who register before August 1, and room charges for the spring term will be billed and are payable in advance of that term for students who register before December 1. Students who register after these dates must pay at the time of registration. Room charges for the full academic year will be due and payable should a student move out at any time during the school year. Accommodations for shorter periods are available only by special arrangement with RLSH before acceptance of the housing license agreement. It is important that applicants become familiar with the license agreement, as it is a legally binding document.

## **Graduate Residence Accommodations**

The Department of Residence Life and Student Housing operates one apartment residence hall designated for graduate students. Hawk Hall, a one-bedroom-apartment facility, houses single graduate students and married students (graduate and undergraduate) with families. Families with no more than two children may be housed in Hawk Hall.

## **Special Housing Needs**

Students having special housing needs because of a disability should contact the SMU Office of Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies in order to establish eligibility for accommodations. When applying for housing, students should also submit information to RLSH regarding a request for accommodations. DASS and RLSH will work together with the student on their specific situation to make necessary accommodations.

## **General Housing Information**

Each apartment is equipped with a telephone, local telephone service, voice mail system and wireless Ethernet connections to the University's computer system. All residence halls are air-conditioned and some have individually climate-controlled rooms. Washing machines and dryers are located in all residence halls. Meal plans are not required in the graduate hall. For more information, students should visit [www.smu.edu/housing](http://www.smu.edu/housing) or contact the Department of Residence Life and Student Housing, Southern Methodist University, PO Box 750215, Dallas TX 75275-0215; phone 214-768-2407; fax 214-768-4005; [housing@smu.edu](mailto:housing@smu.edu).

# Right to Know

Southern Methodist University is pleased to provide information regarding academic programs, enrollment, financial aid, public safety, athletics and services for persons with disabilities. Students also may obtain paper copies of this information by contacting the appropriate office listed below. Disclosure of this information is pursuant to requirements of the Higher Education Act and the Campus Security Act. More information is available at [www.smu.edu/srk](http://www.smu.edu/srk).

## 1. Academic Programs

Provost Office, Perkins Administration Building, Room 219  
214-768-3219

1. Current degree programs and other educational and training programs.
2. Instructional, laboratory and other physical facilities relating to the academic program.
3. Faculty and other instructional personnel.
4. Names of associations, agencies or governmental bodies that accredit, approve or license the institution and its programs and the procedures by which documents describing that activity may be reviewed.

## 2. Enrollment

Registrar, Blanton Student Services Building, Room 101  
214-768-3417

1. *Graduation Rates.* The completion or graduation rate of the institution's certificate-seeking or degree-seeking, full-time undergraduate students and students who receive athletically related financial aid. <http://www.smu.edu/Academics/StudentAchievement>
2. *Privacy of Student Education Records.* The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act governs SMU's maintenance and disclosure of a student's education records. FERPA provides students the right to inspect and review their education records and to seek amendment of those records that they believe to be inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of their privacy rights. Further, FERPA prevents SMU from disclosing personally identifiable information about a student to outside third parties, except under specific circumstances outlined in SMU's Policy Manual.
3. *Withdrawal.* Requirements and procedures for officially withdrawing from the institution.  
**Wisconsin Refund Policy.** The following information applies only to students enrolled in distance/online courses who reside in the state of Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Administrative Code contains provisions related to online/distance education for students residing in that state. Sections from Chapter 8 of the Educational Approval Board are reprinted below. The complete code is available online at [http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin\\_code](http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code).  
*EAB 8.05 Partial Refunds.* A student who withdraws or is dismissed after the period of time identified under s. EAB 8.03 (1) has passed, but before completing 60 percent of the potential units of instruction in the current enrollment period, shall be entitled to a pro rata refund, as calculated below, less any amounts owed by the student for the current enrollment period, less a one-time application fee of \$100.
  - (1) Pro rata refund shall be determined as the number of units remaining after the last unit completed by the student, divided by the total number of units in the enrollment period, rounded downward to the nearest 10 percent. Pro rata refund is the resulting percent applied to the total tuition and other required costs paid by the student for the current enrollment period.
  - (2) All efforts will be made to refund prepaid amounts for books, supplies and other charges unless the student has consumed or used those items and they can no longer be used or sold to new students, or returned by the school to the supplier.
  - (3) Refunds shall be paid within 40 days after the effective date of termination.
  - (4) After the student's first period of enrollment, if a student withdraws or is dismissed in a subsequent enrollment period, the school may also retain an administrative fee of 15 percent of the total cost of a resident program, or \$400, whichever is less.
  - (5) No refund is required for any student who withdraws or is dismissed after completing 60 percent of the potential units of instruction in the current enrollment period unless a student withdraws due to

mitigating circumstances, which are those that directly prohibit pursuit of a program and which are beyond the student's control.

**SMU Refund for Wisconsin Students.** SMU online/distance education students residing in Wisconsin who cancel their enrollment will receive a full refund of all tuition and fees if they officially withdraw from the University before the withdrawal deadline listed on the Official University Calendar. The University will issue refunds within 10 business days of withdrawal.

3. **Financial Aid**

Director of Financial Aid, Blanton Student Services Building, Room 212  
214-768-3417

1. Financial assistance available to students enrolled in the institution.
2. Cost of attending the institution, including tuition and fees charged to full- and part-time students; estimates of costs for necessary books and supplies; estimates of typical charges for room and board; estimates of transportation costs for students; and any additional cost of a program in which a student is enrolled or expresses a specific interest.
3. Terms and conditions under which students receiving Federal Direct Loan or Federal Direct Perkins Loan assistance may obtain deferral of the repayment of the principal and interest of the loan for
  1. Service under the Peace Corps Act;
  2. Service under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973; or
  3. Comparable service as a volunteer for a tax-exempt organization of demonstrated effectiveness in the field of community service.
  4. The requirements for return of Title IV grant or loan assistance.
  5. Enrollment status of students participating in SMU study abroad programs, for the purpose of applying for federal financial aid.

4. **Student Financials/Bursar**

University Bursar, Blanton Student Services Building, Room 212  
214-768-3417

1. Tuition and fees.
2. Living on campus.
3. Optional and course fees.
4. Financial policies.
5. Administrative fees and deposits.
6. Payment options.
7. Any refund policy with which the institution is required to comply for the return of unearned tuition and fees or other refundable portions of costs paid to the institution.

5. **DASS**

Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies  
Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center  
214-768-1470

1. Description of the process for establishing eligibility for services and documentation guidelines.
2. Listings of the various on- and off-campus resources.
3. Discussions of transitioning to postsecondary education.
4. Tips for faculty on teaching and making accommodations.

6. **Athletics**

Associate Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Services, 316 Loyd Center  
214-768-1650

1. Athletic program participation rates and financial aid support.
2. Graduation or completion rates of student athletes.
3. Athletic program operating expenses and revenues.
4. Coaching staffs.

7. **Campus Police**

SMU Police Department, Patterson Hall  
214-768-1582

Southern Methodist University's Annual Security Report includes statistics for the previous three years

concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by SMU, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to/accessible from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, and other related matters.

8. **Student Appeals and Complaints**

Southern Methodist University operates with integrity in all issues and is dedicated to preserving the rights of all members of the University community. Categories for which students may wish to reach out for advice and assistance and/or to submit an appeal or register a complaint are as follows: academics, code of conduct, discrimination, financial issues, honor code and privacy issues. An overview of the roles, responsibilities and procedures for complainants and the University is outlined in each of the areas below.

a. Academic Appeals and Petitions

[www.smu.edu/Provost/Pages/Default/PoliciesResources/FacultyResources/Committees](http://www.smu.edu/Provost/Pages/Default/PoliciesResources/FacultyResources/Committees)

b. Student Code of Conduct

[www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/ConductCode](http://www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/ConductCode)

c. Office of Institutional Access and Equity

[www.smu.edu/IAE](http://www.smu.edu/IAE)

d. Financial Responsibility and Confidentiality

[www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/FinancialAndConfidentiality](http://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/FinancialAndConfidentiality)

e. Honor Code

[www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/HonorCode](http://www.smu.edu/StudentAffairs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/HonorCode)

f. Appeal of Grade

[www.smu.edu/catalogs](http://www.smu.edu/catalogs)

g. Academic Grievance and Appeals Procedures for Students with Disabilities

[www.smu.edu/Provost/ALEC/DASS/DisabilityAccommodations/AppealsandGrievances](http://www.smu.edu/Provost/ALEC/DASS/DisabilityAccommodations/AppealsandGrievances)

h. Appeal from financial aid decisions, including financial aid decisions based on lack of satisfactory academic progress

[www.smu.edu/catalogs](http://www.smu.edu/catalogs)

i. Policy for Non-Renewal of Athletic Aid

[www.smumustangs.com/compliance](http://www.smumustangs.com/compliance)

In addition to the right to use internal University complaint procedures, every student has the right under federal law to use complaint processes provided by the state in which his or her campus is located.

9. **State-Specific Information for Appeals and Complaints**

*Texas.* For complaints regarding programs in Texas, students should contact the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Office of General Counsel, PO Box 12788, Austin TX 78711-2788; email: [studentcomplaints@theccb.state.tx.us](mailto:studentcomplaints@theccb.state.tx.us). Additional information about the Texas student complaints process may be found at [www.theccb.state.tx.us](http://www.theccb.state.tx.us) ("College Readiness and Success" link).

*New Mexico.* For complaints regarding programs in New Mexico, students should contact the New Mexico Higher Education Department, 2044 Galisteo Street, Suite 4, Santa Fe, NM 87505-2100; telephone 505-476-8400. Additional information about the New Mexico student complaints process may be found online at [www.hed.state.nm.us](http://www.hed.state.nm.us) or by contacting [private.schools@state.nm.us](mailto:private.schools@state.nm.us).

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