MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING (M.S.E.E.)

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering (M.S.E.E.)

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Courses are available days and evenings.

Admission Requirements

Applications are invited from individuals who possess a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from an accredited institution. Applicants not meeting the requirements may be provisionally admitted and will be required to take sufficient undergraduate courses to make up deficiencies.

To be considered for admission, the applicant must submit the following minimum requirements:

1. Submit to the Graduate Admissions Office a completed graduate application for admission with payment of appropriate application fee
2. Submit two letters of recommendation from previous academic faculty and/or from current or previous supervisors, if employed.
3. Demonstrate satisfactory performance as an undergraduate by providing a complete set of official undergraduate transcripts.
4. International students: Refer to page 10 for additional admissions requirements.

Degree Requirements

Thirty (30) credit hours are required for the M.S.E.E. degree. These include the following:

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<th>12 credits</th>
<th>EE 403, EE 405, EE-414, and EE-460</th>
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<td>18 credits</td>
<td>Students should choose either the thesis or the non-thesis option. In either case at least two courses (for 6 credits) must be chosen from the following: EE-442, EE-445, EE-465, and EE-471. Other courses may be chosen from graduate level courses in EE/CS and an approved course from the Business Administration program.</td>
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Non-thesis option: 3 credits of EE-590 are required. Students should submit a well-documented report to the department.

Thesis option: Six credits of thesis (EE-590) are required. The thesis shall be defended in an open forum. Three faculty members constitute a Thesis Committee with the Thesis Advisor as Chair.

Students who opt to complete a thesis may select from posted research topics or proposed areas of interest of the faculty and submit a proposal of their thesis to the Department. Final decision of topic and advisor will be taken by the Department in accordance with Department guidelines. Ordinarily, these topics will touch on one or more of the following areas: Communication, Navigational Systems; Computers, Digital Systems; Microelectronics; Microwaves and Antennas; Power, Control Systems; Software Engineering. Some of the highly specialized and state-of-the-art laboratories available for students include Communications, Thick-Film Processing, Microelectronics, Microwaves, Antennas, Machines and Controls, Digital Design.

Both full and part-time students are limited to a maximum of three thesis credits in any single semester.

The minimum acceptable grade point average is 3.0. (See Grade Regulations.)

Advanced standing or transfer credit is limited to six (6) graduate credits. Petitions should be submitted to the Engineering and Physics Division and should document minimum competency defined as relevant graduate course work at an accredited institution with an earned minimum grade of 3.0 (0-to-4 scale) or equivalent expertise.

Financial Aid

A limited number of assistantships are available for full-time students. Applicants should possess superior academic qualifications and provide good scores in the GRE (General and Engineering).

EE. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

EE-403. COMPUTATIONAL TECHNIQUES IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Credits: 3
Fees: $100
Application of MATLAB, LabVIEW, and PSPICE to solve problems in electrical engineering topics. Software design, implementation methodologies, software engineering, and procedural and data abstraction. Implementation methodology is based on object-oriented programming techniques using LabWINDOWS CVI (compiler). Students work on real-world design problems of increasing complexity. These will include graphical user interfaces (GUIs), event models, exception handling and multithreading. One Hour lecture and three hour lab per week Lab fee: $100.

Pre-Requisites
Graduate standing

EE-405. ADVANCED LABORATORY EXPERIENCE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS
Credits: 3
Laboratory and related analytical experience in different disciplines within electrical engineering, including but not limited to, electrical measurements, mechatronics, digital design, electromagnetics, and communications systems. Real-world design problems will be assigned. Three hour lab per week. Lab fee: $100.

Pre-Requisites
Graduate standing

EE-410. LINEAR SYSTEM THEORY
Credits: 3
Linear spaces and linear operators; input-output systems and state variables; linear dynamical equations and impulse response matrices; controllability, observability and their applications to minimal realizations; state feedback controllers and observers; multivariable systems.
EE-414. MODERN CONTROL SYSTEMS
Credits: 3

Pre-Requisites
Graduate standing

EE-415. DIGITAL CONTROL SYSTEMS DESIGN
Credits: 3
Review of design and compensation of control systems. State space analysis of continuous-time and discrete-time systems; discrete-time observations, control and feedback; digital regulators design; digital tracking systems design; controlling continuous-time systems.

Pre-Requisites
EE-414

EE-416. ROBOT VISION
Credits: 3
Image formation and image sensing; binary images; geometrical and topological properties; reflectance map; photometric stereo, shape, and shading; motion field and optical flow; extended Gaussian images; picking parts out of bin.

Pre-Requisites
First course in Robotics

EE-418. CONTROLS AND KINEMATICS IN NAVIGATION
Credits: 3

Pre-Requisites
EE-318, EE-460

EE-421. POWER SYSTEM ANALYSIS
Credits: 3
Review of power generation schemes. Transmission line calculations and power system representation; network solution by matrix transformations; symmetrical components; symmetrical and unsymmetrical fault analysis of power systems; load flow analysis.

Pre-Requisites
EE-321

EE-425. POWER ELECTRONICS
Credits: 3
SCR characteristics; turn-on and turn-off mechanisms; SCR connections; power and switching devices, including UJT, triac and special devices; AC power control: full-wave control, half-wave control, and phase control; line-commutated converters and inverters; chopper circuits; applications.

Pre-Requisites
EE-252, EE-321

EE-432. ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS AND WAVES
Credits: 3
Maxwell's equations; energy and momentum in the electromagnetic field; plane, cylindrical, and spherical waves; boundary conditions; cylindrical waveguides; cavity resonators; scattering by a sphere and other geometries.

Pre-Requisites
EE-337

EE-435. MICROSTRIP CIRCUIT DESIGN
Credits: 3
A review of TEM mode transmission line theory. Static TEM parameters and design; discontinuities in microstrip and coupled microstrip lines; design examples of passive microstrip elements; narrowband and wideband microwave amplifiers.

Pre-Requisites
EE-335/EE 337

EE-436. ANTENNA THEORY AND DESIGN
Credits: 3
Electromagnetic vector potentials; Green's functions; radiating systems; image theory; reciprocity; directional arrays; linear and broadboard antennas; moment method; aperture antennas; microstrip antennas, and antenna synthesis.

Pre-Requisites
EE-337

EE-441. DIGITAL SYSTEMS DESIGN
Credits: 3
Advanced topics in digital design; combinational and sequential circuit modeling, fault modeling, digital design testing and testability, design to test principles, and basic concepts in fault tolerant design.

Pre-Requisites
EE-241

EE-442. MICROCOMPUTER OPERATION AND DESIGN
Credits: 3
Fees: $100
Microprocessor architecture, microcomputer design, and peripheral interfacing. Microprogramming, software systems, and representative applications. Associated laboratory experiments consider topics such as bus structure, programming, data conversion, interfacing, data acquisition, and computer control. Two hour lecture and one two-hour laboratory a week.

(same as CS-429)

Pre-Requisites
EE-345

EE-444. OPERATING SYSTEM PRINCIPLES
Credits: 3
Analysis of the computer operating systems including Batch, Timesharing, and Realtime systems. Topics include sequential and concurrent processes, processor and storage management, resource protection, processor multiplexing, and handling of interrupts from peripheral devices.

(same as CS-426)

Pre-Requisites
CS-227
EE-445. COMPUTER ORGANIZATION
Credits: 3
Number representation, digital storage devices and computational units, bus structures; execution sequences and assembly language concepts; control units with horizontal and vertical microcoding; addressing principles and sequencing; microprocessors; basic input and output devices; interrupts; survey of RISC principles including pipelined execution. (same as CS-445)
Pre-Requisites
EE-241

EE-446. COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE
Credits: 3
A study of the design, organization, and architecture of computers, ranging from the microprocessors to the latest ‘supercomputers.’ (same as CS-430)
Pre-Requisites
EE-242 or EE-342

EE-451. OPTO-ELECTRONICS
Credits: 3
Electromagnetic theory; propagation of rays; propagation of optical beams in homogeneous and guiding media; optical resonators; interaction of radiation and atomic systems; theory of laser oscillators; some specific laser systems; second-harmonic generation and parametric oscillation; electrooptic modulation of lasers; optical radiation interaction of light and sound; propagation, modulation, and oscillation in optical dielectric waveguides; laser applications; fiber optics and couplers.
Pre-Requisites
EE-337

EE-460. STOCHASTIC PROCESSES IN ENGINEERING
Credits: 3
Review of probability. Random variables and random processes; functions of one and two random variables; expectations; moments and characteristic functions; correlation and power spectra; stationary and nonstationary processes, harmonic analysis of random processes.
Pre-Requisites
EE-361, EE-460

EE-461. DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS
Credits: 3
Sampling theory; analog pulse modulation; time-division multiplexing; baseband digital transmission; bandlimited digital PAM systems; synchronization techniques; PCM, PCM with noise, DPCM and DM; digital multiplexing; error correction and detection; line protocols; convolutional codes; bandpass digital transmission; coherent and noncoherent binary systems; quadrature carrier and Mary systems; information theory.
Pre-Requisites
EE-271

EE-465. DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING
Credits: 3
Z transforms; Fourier transforms; discrete Fourier transforms; sampling theorem; analog filter approximations; digital filter realizations and topological properties; analysis and design of recursive (IIR) filters and non-recursive (FIR) filters; fast Fourier transforms.
Pre-Requisites
EE-252

EE-461. ADVANCED SOLID STATE DEVICES
Credits: 3
Review of semiconductor fundamentals. Physics, fabrication technologies, and operational characteristics of a variety of solid-state structures including p-n junctions, bipolar transistors, thyristors, metal semiconductor contacts, JFET and MESFET, MIS and CCD, MOSFET, microwave and photonic devices including IMPATT, BARITT, TED, LED, semiconductor lasers, photodetectors, and solar cells.
Pre-Requisites
EE-271

EE-474. INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DESIGN
Credits: 3
Model calculations, transfer characteristics and use of SPICE for MOS devices and circuits; basic logical units; integrated systems fabrication including scaling, channel properties, yield statistics, design rules and choice of technology; data and control flow including clocks, registers and PLA’S; design implementation from circuit topology to patterning geometry and wafer fabrication; CAD; overview of LSI and VLSI systems; architecture and design of system controllers; system timing (SPICE); physical aspects of computational systems; ASICs memories and other logical circuits.
Pre-Requisites
EE-241, EE-271

EE-481. ADVANCED MICROELECTRONICS LAB
Credits: 3
Fees: $100
Theoretical and practical aspects of techniques utilized in the fabrication of semiconductor devices. Techniques of wet chemistry; deposition and diffusion; advanced concepts of contamination control; defect-free processing and gathering; complete characterization including junction penetration, resistivity, and oxide thickness. Switching speed, junction characteristics, leakage and gain, ion implantation, and method of fabrication. Extensive use of process simulation programs such as SUPREM.
Pre-Requisites
EE-271

EE-482. ADVANCED COMMUNICATION AND ANTENNA LAB
Credits: 3
Fees: $100
Characterization and measurement of microwave devices and systems; emphasis on antenna design and testing; utilization of the network analyzer and spectrum analyzer; antenna pattern measurements; communication link design; computer-aided design of active and passive microwave circuits; touchstone, optical signal generation and modulation.
Pre-Requisites
EE-335

EE-498. TOPICS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Credits: 3
Three creditsSelected topics in electrical engineering. These may include one or more of the following: control systems, information theory, signals and noise measurements, communication systems, navigational systems, network design and synthesis, solid state, quantum electronics, magnetic and non-linear circuits, digital and analog systems, computer systems, medical engineering, power systems and generation. May be repeated for credit.
Pre-Requisites
EE-252
EE-510. OPTIMAL FILTERING THEORY  
Credits: 3  
Review of stochastic processes; stochastic integrals and differential equations; Wiener filtering; discrete Kalman filter; applications and additional topics on discrete Kalman filtering; continuous Kalman filter; discrete smoothing and prediction; additional topics on Kalman filtering.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-410, EE-460

EE-514. OPTIMAL CONTROL THEORY  
Credits: 3  
The calculus of variations and the minimum principle; optimal control of discrete-time systems; optimal control of continuous-time systems; dynamic programming; models of dynamic systems; optimal estimation; stochastic neighboring optimal control.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-410

EE-516. ROBOTICS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
Credits: 3  
Prospects for knowledge-based robots; robots and artificial intelligence; expert systems and knowledge-based languages; production-rule expert systems; search techniques; heuristic graph searching; AND/OR graphs; first order predicate logic; future prospects for knowledge-based robots.

Pre-Requisites  
First course in Robotics

EE-521. COMPUTER AIDED ANALYSIS OF POWER SYSTEMS  
Credits: 3  
Bus impedance and bus admittance matrices; sparsity programming and triangular factorization. Load-flow studies; Gauss, Gauss-Seidel, Newton-Raphson methods. Approximate, fast and special-purpose load-flow studies. Optimal dispatch: equal incremental cost rule; gradient dispatch; optimal reactive power dispatch methods.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-421

EE-535. MICROWAVE CIRCUITS  
Credits: 3  
Microwave networks; S-parameters and stability considerations; characterization of transmission line structures and discontinuities; models of microwave solid state devices; measurement techniques for modeling; design synthesis; optimization and analysis of microwave integrated circuits; numerical methods.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-435

EE-541. MICROPROCESSOR-BASED SYSTEMS DESIGN  
Credits: 3  
Brief review of directions in microprocessor development: single chip microcomputers, Reduced Instruction Set Computers (RISCs), and Multiple Data Stream processors; hardware and software aspects of the design of microprocessor-based systems; architecture and design of multiple computer and parallel processing systems; cache memory techniques and issues; bus standards and interfacing.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-342

EE-560. DETECTION AND ESTIMATION THEORY  
Credits: 3  

Pre-Requisites  
EE-460

EE-561. COMPUTER COMMUNICATION NETWORKS  
Credits: 3  
Data/computer communication network structures; the structure and function of network protocols; data link control procedures; multiple-access protocols; wideband data transmission media; functions and characteristics of devices used in computer communications; analysis of data/computer networks.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-461

EE-562. OPTICAL COMMUNICATION  
Credits: 3  
Structure and waveguiding fundamentals of optical fibers; signal degradation in optical fibers; optical sources and their characteristics; power launching and coupling; photodetectors; optical receiver operation; coherent and non-coherent detection; analysis and design of optical transmission links.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-432, EE-461

EE-565. DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING  
Credits: 3  
Scenes, images and digital pictures; linear operations on pictures; discrete picture transforms; random variables and random fields; visual perception. Sampling using array of points and orthonormal functions; quantization; Karhunen-Loeve, Fourier, Hadamard, and cosine compression; predictive block truncation, error-free compression; rate-distortion function. Enhancement: gray scale modification, sharpening and smoothing; restoration: inverse least-squares and recursive filtering, constrained deconvolution.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-460

EE-568. MODERN NAVIGATION SYSTEMS  
Credits: 3  
Overview of electronic navigation systems: Global Positioning Systems (GPS); application and status; concept and operation; accuracy and propagation consideration; GPS receiver; signal structure, integration principles for navigation systems; Kalman filtering; differential GPS.

Pre-Requisites  
EE-418, EE-460
EE-571. MODERN SOLID STATE DEVICES AND DESIGN
Credits: 3
Semiconductor fundamentals at an advanced level. Silicon and GaAs, MOS devices; processing details; performance limitations; process design for given device specifications; limitations due to fabrication techniques; quantum phenomena in a variety of modern high performance devices; microwave semiconductor devices; integrated circuit design; VLSI design; computer aids for process and circuit design.

Pre-Requisites
EE-471

EE-590. PROJECT/THESIS
Credits: 1-6
One to six creditsStudents have the option to select a 6-credit or a 3-credit project to meet the degree requirement. Topics will touch on one or more of the following areas: Communications, Navigational Systems; Computers, Digital Systems; Microelectronics, Microwaves and Antennas; Power, Control Systems; and Software Engineering. Three faculty members constitute a Faculty Committee with the Project/Thesis Advisor as Chair. The project/thesis shall be presented in an open forum.

EE-598. ADVANCED TOPICS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Credits: 3
Three creditsAdvanced topics in electrical engineering. These may include one or more of the following: control systems; navigational systems; information theory, signals and noise measurements; communication systems; network design and synthesis; solid state; quantum electronics; magnetic and non-linear circuits; digital and analog systems; computer systems; medical engineering; power systems and generation. May be repeated for credit.