ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Electrical engineering is concerned with all phases and development of the transmission and utilization of electric energy and intelligence. From communication systems to electronic components that run computers and motor vehicles, electrical engineers design products and systems that meet the needs of today and tomorrow’s electrical and electronic systems.

About this Program

• College: Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering
• Degree: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
• Credits for Degree: 128
• Additional Information
• Related Electrical Engineering Programs

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

While it is essential that electrical engineers understand the fundamentals of their chosen fields, they must also understand the role that other branches of engineering play in completed work. The curriculum provides a foundation in basic engineering as well as depth and breadth in electrical engineering and sufficient electives to allow specialization in academic areas including:

• Electronic Devices and Circuits
• Electromagnetics, Power and Photonics
• Computers, Communications and Systems and Controls

The curriculum also prepares an engineer for professional licensure.

The department’s extensive laboratory facilities and varied research programs assist in both experimental and theoretical approaches to electrical and computer engineering.

Admission Requirements

It is the department’s policy to admit the best-qualified students as demonstrated by academic achievement.

To be admitted, a student must have an overall 2.5 grade point average in critical tracking courses, based on the first two attempts in eight professional courses and have earned a minimum grade of C in each course of Calculus 1, Calculus 2, Calculus 3, Physics with Calculus 1, Physics with Calculus 2, Differential Equations and General Chemistry. Only the first two attempts (including withdrawals and drops) in each course will be considered for admission to or retention in the department.

Department Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in any course transferred into the junior-senior years from another institution.

Courses marked below with a footnote must be completed with minimum grade of C. For a course to be used as a prerequisite for an EEE/EEE-prefixed course, a minimum grade of C is required in the prerequisite course. Any 3000/4000 level EEL/EEE-prefixed course not taken to satisfy the breadth or depth requirement can be applied as EE technical elective, excluding EEL 3003, which does not apply toward degree requirements.

ECE majors must have an overall 2.0 GPA in all ECE courses to meet degree requirements.

A student must complete both EEL 3111C and EEL 3701C before taking any 4000-level EEE or EEL course. Electrical Engineering majors must have EEL 3923C completed or in progress to apply for the IPPD program.

Any course taken to satisfy a degree requirement (general education, required course or technical elective), with the exception of EGN 4912, EEL 4948, and EEL 4949, cannot be taken S-U.

An electrical engineering student whose cumulative, upper-division or department grade point average falls below 2.0 or whose pre-professional grades do not meet department admission requirements will be placed on academic probation and be required to prepare a probation contract with an ECE academic advisor. If a student is not making normal academic progress, he or she will be placed on academic probation.

Students normally are given two terms in which to remove their deficit points. Students who do not satisfy the conditions of the first term of probation may be dismissed from the department.

All graduating seniors must complete an exit interview with their advisor before graduating.

Educational Objectives

The objectives of the Electrical Engineering program at the University of Florida are to prepare students to be good citizens engaged in ethical engineering for the betterment of society and enabling them, so that within a few years of graduation, they:

1. Have successful careers providing leadership in a dynamic industry that is global, multi-disciplinary, and evolving;
2. Are excelling in the top advanced studies programs in the world.

Goals

The baccalaureate program prepares students to embark upon professional careers in electrical and computer engineering or to begin graduate study. The department’s educational objectives are consistent with the ABET general criteria for accrediting programs in engineering in the United States.

Mission

The department offers undergraduate and graduate programs in electrical and computer engineering and conducts research to serve the needs of Florida and the nation.

Related Electrical Engineering Programs

• Combined Degree
• Electrical Engineering minor

Critical Tracking records each student’s progress in courses that are required for entry to each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida Common Course Prerequisites may be used for transfer students.
Semester 1
- Complete 1 of 7 tracking courses. MAC 2311, MAC 2312, MAC 2313, MAP 2302, PHY 2048, PHY 2049, and CHM 2045 or CHM 2095 must be completed with minimum grade of C in each course within two attempts (including withdrawals).
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 2
- Complete 1 additional critical-tracking course with the appropriate minimum grade within two attempts
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 3
- Complete 2 additional critical-tracking courses with the appropriate minimum grades within two attempts
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 4
- Complete 2 additional critical-tracking courses with the appropriate minimum grades within two attempts
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 5
- Complete remaining 7 critical-tracking courses with the appropriate minimum grades within two attempts
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student’s academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.

Course Title Credits
Semester One Select one: 3
CHM 2045 General Chemistry 1 (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Biological and Physical Sciences) 3
CHM 2095 Chemistry for Engineers 1 (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Biological and Physical Sciences) 3
CHM 2045L General Chemistry 1 Laboratory (Gen Ed Physical Sciences) 1
IUF 1000 What is the Good Life (Gen Ed Humanities) 3
MAC 2311 Analytic Geometry and Calculus 1 (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Mathematics) 4
State Core Composition (Writing Requirement) 3

Credits 14

Semester Two
MAC 2312 Analytic Geometry and Calculus 2 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Mathematics) 4
PHY 2048 Physics with Calculus 1 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Physical Sciences) 3
PHY 2048L Laboratory for Physics with Calculus 1 (Gen Ed Physical Sciences) 1
Computer Programming elective (Critical Tracking) 3
Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences (Writing Requirement) 3

Credits 14

Semester Three
MAC 2313 Analytic Geometry and Calculus 3 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Mathematics) 4
PHY 2049 Physics with Calculus 2 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Physical Sciences) 3
PHY 2049L Laboratory for Physics with Calculus 2 1
EEL 3000 Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering 1 2
EEL 3701C Digital Logic and Computer Systems 1 2

Credits 14

Semester Four
EEL 3111C Circuits 1 1 4
EEL 3135 Introduction to Signals and Systems 1 4
MAS 3114 Computational Linear Algebra 3
MAP 2302 Elementary Differential Equations (Critical Tracking) 3

Credits 14

Summer After Semester Four
EEL 3008 Physics of Electrical Engineering (Critical Tracking) 1 3
ENC 3246 Professional Communication for Engineers (State Core Composition; Writing Requirement) 3
STA 3032 Engineering Statistics 3

Credits 9

Semester Five
EEL 3112 Circuits 2 1 3
EEL 3744C Microprocessor Applications 1 4
State Core Social and Behavioral Sciences with Diversity 3
Electrical Engineering Breadth 1 1 4

Credits 14

Semester Six
Electrical Engineering Breadth electives #2 and #3 1 1 8
Interdisciplinary elective #1 3
Electrical Engineering Technical course 3
State Core Humanities with International 3

Credits 17

Semester Seven
EEL 3923C Electrical Engineering Design 1 1 3
Electrical Engineering Depth elective #1 1 3
Electrical Engineering Technical electives 7
Interdisciplinary elective #2 3

Credits 16

Semester Eight
EEL 4924C Electrical Engineering Design 2 1 3
Electrical Engineering Depth elective #2 1 3
Electrical Engineering Technical electives 7
Interdisciplinary elective #3 3

Credits 16

Total Credits 128
Completed with a minimum grade of C. In order to use a course as a prerequisite course for course used as a prerequisite for an EEE/EEL-prefixed course, a minimum grade of C is required in the prerequisite course. Any 3000/4000-level EEL/EEE-prefixed course not taken to satisfy the breadth or depth requirement can be applied as an EE technical elective, excluding EEL 3003, which does not apply toward degree requirements.

**Computer Programming: Select One**

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**Electrical Engineering Breadth: Select Three**

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**Electrical Engineering Depth: 6 Credits**

Select one EE Depth course from 2 different EE Breadth areas.

**Interdisciplinary Technical Electives: Select 3 Courses**

Students are able to select courses that are 3000-4000 level from the Biology/Biochemistry courses (prefixes of BSC, BCH, CHM, PCB, and ZOO); Mathematics courses (prefixes of MAA, MAD, MAP, and MAS); Physics courses (prefixes of PHY and PHZ). Students are able to count CHM 2046, CHM 2210, and CHM 2211. Students are able to select courses that are 3000-4000 level from HWCOE (non-ECE) courses.

**Electrical Engineering Technical Electives: 17 Credits**

Any 3000 level or above course in ECE, with the exception of EEL 3003 and EEL 3008.

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This program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET.

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**Before Graduating Students Must**

- Pass an assessment of performance on a major design experience. Assessment will be provided by two or more faculty and/or industry practitioners.
- Pass assessment in two courses of individual assignments targeted to each learning outcome. Assessment will be provided by the instructor of the course according to department standards.
- Complete an exit interview in your final semester.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

**Students in the Major Will Learn to**

**Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)**

**Content**

1. Identify, describe, and interpret mathematics, science and engineering principles to electrical engineering problems.

**Critical Thinking**

2. Design and conduct electrical engineering experiments as well as analyze and interpret data.
3. Design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability.

**Communication**

4. Convey technical data and design information effectively for a range of audiences using a variety of methods and media.

**Curriculum Map**

$I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed$

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**Assessment Types**

- Homework assignments
- Exam questions
- Design projects and reports
- Presentations