# Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering <br> Electrical Engineering Curriculum 

September 2017

## Summary of Degree Requirements

## 128 Hours Total

A. Required Classes
B. Probability and Statistics
62 Hours
C. Technical Electives
C. Technical Electives more ECE electives 3 Hours
(3 lab classes, at least one hardware lab)
Non-ECE Tech Electives
6 Hours
D. Liberal Edu./General Education 18 Hours
E. Free Electives

12 Hours
Total
128 Hours

## Minimum GPA requirements:

2.00 Cumulative
2.00 ECE classes
2.00 Semester GPA

## Probation and Drop Rules

| Probation <br> Rule | Why you are on probation | To avoid being <br> dropped | Drop Rule |
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|  | Semester GPA $<1.0$ drop, no <br> probation (except Freshmen, $1^{\text {st }}$ <br> semester) | Not possible | 17 |
| 1 A | Semester GPA $<2.0$ <br> Cumulative GPA $>2.0$ | Sem. GPA $>2.0$ next <br> semester | 17 |
| 1 B | $1.75<$ Cumulative GPA $<2.0$ | Sem. GPA $>2.25$ <br> next semester | 17 |
| 1 C | Cumulative GPA $<1.75$ | Sem. GPA $>2.33$ <br> next semester | 17 |
| $1 \mathrm{E}, 1 \mathrm{G}$ or <br> 1 H | Dean's Prerogative "almost dropped, <br> last chance" | Sem. GPA $>$ (value) <br> next semester | 18 |
| 1 T | ECE GPA (TGPA) $<2.0$ | Bring TGPA $>2.0$ <br> next semester | 18 |
| 1 P | Departmental probation | Meet specified <br> conditions | 18 |

## Junior Eligibility Rule

| 2.25 Rule | This is not a probation rule. <br> However, you may not register for <br> ECE 313, 329, 385, 440, etc. | Retake 2.25 Rule <br> courses to bring their <br> average over 2.25. | None |
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## Work Sheet

(See requirement details on following pages)

| This Semester | Hrs |
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A. Required Classes
Checklist on next pages

## B. Probability and Statistics

Choose ECE 313 or STAT 410

| C. Tech <br> Electives <br> Courses |  |  |  |  |  |
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| D. Liberal Education/General Education Requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Campus-Wide Requirements |  |  |  |  |  | College of Eng. |
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| Your Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required | 1 crs | 6 hrs | 6 hrs | 1 crs | 1 crs . | $3 \mathrm{crs}^{*}$ | 18 hrs |

## E. Free <br> Electives

6 hours must be taken for a grade.
Rules for credit:
almost anvthing
(*) Students must take 3 semesters of one college-level foreign language or 3 years of one high school-level foreign language.
Approval needed to count for SSH hours (COE).

## ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING CURRICULUM

Note: These rules do not apply to the Computer Engineering Curriculum

## A. Required Courses ( 63 hours)

## Core Courses Counted for the 2.25 Rule

(You need a 2.25 GPA in the courses through ECE 210 to register for third year ECE courses.)

| Physics |  |  |
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| PHYS | 211 | 4 hours |
| PHYS | 212 | 4 hours |
| PHYS | 213 | 2 hours |
| PHYS | 214 | 2 hours |
| Math |  |  |
| MATH | 221 | 4 hours |
| MATH | 231 | 3 hours |
| MATH | 241 | 4 hours |
| MATH | 286 | 4 hours |
| ECE |  |  |
| ECE | 110 | 3 hours |
| ECE | 120 | 4 hours |
| ECE | 220 | 4 hours |
| ECE | 210 | 4 hours |

## Chemistry and Rhetoric Courses and Eng 100

| Chem | $102 / 103$ | 4 hours |
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| Rhet | 105 | 4 hours |
| Eng | 100 | 0 hours |

## Upperclass ECE Courses

| ECE | 329 | 3 hours |
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| ECE | 385 | 3 hours |
| ECE | 340 | 3 hours |
| ECE | $445^{*}$ | 4 hours |

* Alternative ECE 496/499


## B. Probability and Statistics (3 hours)

ECE 313 or Stat $410 /$ Math 464
3 hours $\qquad$

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C. Technical Electives ( $\mathbf{3 2}$ hours) These courses are chosen from the Departmentally Approved List of Technical Electives that includes courses in ECE, other engineering fields, the sciences and mathematics. They give each student freedom to define a technical course of study in electrical engineering of considerable breadth and focus. The Advanced Core ECE Electives (the 3 out of 5 's) introduce major specialty areas of electrical engineering. Choices should be made with care, planning, and consultation with an advisor.

Consult online the advising materials for all the sub-disciplines of electrical engineering: Bioengineering and Acoustics; Circuits; Computer Engineering; Communications Systems; Control Systems; Electromagnetics; Physical Electronics; Power and Energy Systems; Signal Processing; Space Science and Remote Sensing; Recommendations for a General Program in EE.

Descriptions are available at: https://ece.illinois.edu/academics/ugrad/subdisciplines/

## Distribution Requirements:

| 32 hours to include at least: | Selected from the Departmentally Approved List of Technical Electives |
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| (i) 6 hours | Non-ECE courses |
| (ii) 20 hours | ECE courses |
| a. 3 out of 5 courses 4 hours 4 hours 3 hours 3 hours 3 hours 3 hours | Selected from the following list of Advanced Core ECE electives: ECE <br> 391-Computer Systems Engineering or CS 225-Data Structure <br> ECE 310-Digital Signal Processing <br> ECE 330-Power Circuits \& Electromechanics <br> ECE 342-Electronic Circuits <br> ECE 350-Lines, Fields, and Waves |
| b. Three (3) courses; at least one hardware lab | ECE labs Identified in the List of Technical Electives and table on the following page |

Tech Elective hours: Note that 20 ECE hours +6 non-ECE does not equal 32. Choose the remaining 6 hours from the entire List.

ECE hours: 3 out of 5 hours and lab hours count towards the ECE elective total.

## Restrictions and Notes:

1) ECE/PHIL 316, Engineering Ethics, is a Campus Humanities course which meets the Comp II requirement. It does not count as an ECE Elective.
2) Some sections of ECE 199, 398, and 498 may not have technical content. These sections will not count as ECE electives.
3) Required ECE courses (e.g., ECE 329) do not count.
4) Courses for non-majors (e.g., ECE 205) do not count except by permission.
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5) Students may use independent study courses as ECE elective hours: ECE 397 (Electrical and Computer Engineering Problems), ECE 396 (Honors Project)

Non-ECE tech elective hours:
ENG 491, Interdisciplinary Design Projects, approved sections. For ECE credit, go to 2120 ECEB.
However, no student may take more than 4 hours special problems with the same instructor, nor count more than a total of 6 hours towards graduation as a technical elective or a required advanced ECE course or lab, regardless of the department in which they are taken.
6) ECE 297 may be repeated once for a total of 2 hours of ECE tech electives, but it does not count as part of the 6 hours of independent study allowed for tech electives.
7) Courses cross-listed with ECE courses are counted as ECE courses. Cross-listed means that courses in different departments are the same. GE 421 Intro to Robotics is the "same as" ECE 470, so it counts as an ECE tech elective. In CS 241 it says "Credit is not given for both CS 241 and ECE 391." They are not the same course; you won't get any credit for CS 241.

ECE Elective Laboratories: Every student must take at least 3 laboratories (at least one of which must be a hardware lab) besides the required laboratories. The hours are counted as ECE elective hours. See the list below.


