The Grainger College of Engineering
Prospective Student Informational Session & Tour
About Us
Watch Video at:
go.grainger.illinois.edu/WeAreGraingerVideo
The depth and breadth of our community brings a global mindset into the classroom.

- 14,100+ students total across our engineering degree programs, both grad and undergrad.
- 8,300+ undergraduate students.
- 2,020+ of our undergrad engineering students are women.
- 930+ of our undergrads engineering students are Hispanic, African American, or American Native.
Our excellence is as broad as it is deep.

#7
overall among undergraduate programs in the U.S.

#10
overall among graduate programs in the U.S.

400+
world class faculty

19
Top 10 ranked undergraduate degree programs & specialties
Your future starts here at Illinois.

94% secured preferred first-destination upon graduation

$88,950* average starting salary with a bachelor's degree

97,000+ alumni worldwide

$15,192* average signing bonus

*3-year average; data reporting beginning with graduates in Dec 2019 – May 2022
Undergraduate Programs Office
UPO

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MISSION
The Grainger College of Engineering Undergraduate Programs Office is a welcoming and supportive group of professionals dedicated to empowering our students to engage, discover and succeed by providing world-class communities, resources and opportunities.

VISION
To inspire our students to expand their potential and impact the world.
Academics
Watch Video at:
go.grainger.Illinois.edu/MajorsVideo
19+ Undergraduate Degree Programs

grainger.illinois.edu/majors

1. Aerospace Engineering
2. Agricultural & Biological Engineering
3. Bioengineering
4. Chemical Engineering
5. Civil Engineering
6. Computer Engineering
7. Computer Science
8. Computer Science + Bioengineering
9. Computer Science + Physics
10. Electrical Engineering
11. Engineering Mechanics
12. Environmental Engineering
13. Industrial Engineering
14. Materials Science & Engineering
15. Mechanical Engineering
16. Neural Engineering
17. Nuclear, Plasma & Radiological Engineering
18. Physics
19. Systems Engineering & Design

NEW!

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS & RECRUITMENT
GRAINGER ENGINEERING
New Engineering Majors

**Neural Engineering**
- SOLVE mobility, visual, & auditory PROBLEMS
- DESIGN devices for living brain
- STUDY Neuroscience, electrical, CS, Molecular Cellular Biology, Bioengineering
- 1st to offer undergraduate degree

**Computer Science + Bioengineering**
- SOLVE medical PROBLEM with computation
- DESIGN advance diagnostic & therapeutic techniques & devices
- STUDY biology, computation, & math

**Computer Science + Physics**
- SOLVE PROBLEMS impacting humanity
- DESIGN quantitative models of physical systems
- STUDY computing, physics, quantum computing

**Environmental Engineering**
- SOLVE sanitation, water, & air PROBLEMS
- DESIGN sustainable systems & solutions
- STUDY energy, climate, public health, math, computation, chemistry, & environment

grainger.illinois.edu/majors
Not all engineering majors are in Grainger ENG.

We partner with 5 other colleges at Illinois to offer some of our majors:

1. College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES)
2. College of Fine and Applied Arts (FAA)
3. College of Media (COM)
4. College of Education (EDUC)
5. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)
Partnerships Across Campus

College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES)
• Agricultural & Biological Engineering (ABE)
• Computer Science + Animal Sciences
• Computer Science + Crop Sciences

College of Media (COM)
• Computer Science + Advertising

College of Fine and Applied Arts (FAA)
• Computer Science + Music

College of Education (EDUC)
• Computer Science + Education, Learning Sciences
• Computer Science + Education, Secondary Education
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)

- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Science + Anthropology
- Computer Science + Astronomy
- Computer Science + Chemistry
- Computer Science + Economics
- Computer Science + Geography & Geographic Information Science
- Computer Science + Linguistics
- Computer Science + Philosophy
- Mathematics & Computer Science
- Statistics & Computer Science
Facts about Computer Science+ (CS+) Majors: FAQ Answered

1. All CS+ majors:
   - One degree, not a double major, Bachelor of Science
   - Take the same core CS curriculum as the CS majors
   - Advance courses are in the “X” subject with computation infused

2. CS+ majors are best for students with a passion for the "X" subject

3. Our CS+ graduates use computation in their "X" field or within companies that impact their "X" field.

4. CS+ majors have access to the CS and the “X” department's:
   - Extra/Co-Curricular opportunities, academic advisors, & college career services

5. Computer Science (CS), CS + Bioengineering, & CS + Physics are direct admit program only, thus only incoming students can pursue these majors at Illinois.
   - Closed to continuing students major changes and declarations

6. All CS+ majors outside of Grainger Engineering are available to both incoming & continuing students.

7. CS minor guarantees admissions in UIUC graduate master’s programs when GPA requirement is met.
Admissions
3 Ways to Apply

First Year

Engineering Pathways

Transfer
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Engineering Pathways

Transfer
Application Opens Sept 1st

Application Deadlines:
- Early Action: Nov 1st
- Regular Decision: Jan 5th

Apply via MyIllini or CommonApp

ACT/SAT Test Optional

APPLY up to 2 majors!

1st Choice Major: All majors available

2nd Choice Major: All majors available *except:
- Aerospace Engineering
- Bioengineering
- Computer Science (CS) and all CS+ majors
- Computer Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

*This list does not include non-engineering majors

admissions.Illinois.edu/apply/freshmen
Be a Competitive Applicant: *Your academic preparedness is solely based on your high school’s available courses.*

#1. Strong Math & Science GPA & foundation
- Physics, Biology, Chemistry
- Pre-calc and beyond

#2. Academic Rigor
- Honors
- Advance Placement (AP)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Advanced level (A-Level)
- Dual enrollment

#3. Demonstrate Understanding of Major(s): SHORT ANSWER QUESTION
- Answer question fully, aim to reach the word limit
- Do your research to show your understanding of the major
- Dig Deep! Share your goals, dreams, or passions for this major or engineering
- Only talk about CURRENT STEM experiences (classes, camps, clubs, internship, jobs)
- CS interest? Share about a direct CS experience to demonstrate understanding beyond coding
3 Ways to Apply

First Year

Engineering Pathways

Transfer
GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS* into Grainger Engineering for Illinois residents!

*GPA & required coursework successfully met

- **Step #1:** Apply to ANY Illinois community college
- **Step #2:** Complete math placement testing
  - Must take Aleks math placement (score 76 or above) test at local community college
- **Step #3:** Submit Engineering Pathways Application between January – April
  - What do you need to apply? 1) Official High School Transcript with IP courses, 2) Community college student ID #, 3) math placement score
  - Application Website: go.grainger.illinois.edu/ApplyEngPathway
- **Step #4:** Enroll in required courses at community college for 1st & 2nd Year
- **Step #5:** Successfully complete coursework & maintain 3.5 GPA.
- **Step #6:** Apply to 2 engineering majors within college
- **Step #7:** Enroll in Grainger Engineering major at Illinois for your 3rd & 4th year
FAQs

When to apply?
• Senior year of high school OR
• After successful complete of Year 1 curriculum

Which engineering majors are available?
• Aerospace Engineering
• Agricultural & Biological Engineering
• Bioengineering
• Civil Engineering
• Computer Engineering
• Computer Science
• CS + Bioengineering
• CS + Physics
• Electrical Engineering
• Engineering Mechanics
• Environmental Engineering
• Industrial Engineering
• Materials Science & Engineering
• Mechanical Engineering
• Neural Engineering
• Nuclear, Plasma, & Radiological Engineering
• Physics
• Systems Engineering & Design

Visit website for more info:
Pathways.engineering.illinois.edu
admissions.illinois.edu/apply/pathways

Questions?
engineeringpathways@illinois.edu
3 Ways to Apply

- First Year
- Engineering Pathways
- Transfer
Transfer Applicant Info for Grainger Engineering

Application Opens Dec 15th

Application Deadline
• Rolling admission decisions

Apply via MyIllini

Application Requirements:
1. 3.0 GPA
2. Complete required coursework outlined in Transfer Handbook

Be competitive:
• B or higher grades in STEM classes
• Mastery of subject matter in prerequisite courses
• Complete the recommend technical coursework

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2nd Choice Major: All majors available *except:
*This list does not include non-engineering majors
• Electrical Engineering (EE)
• Computer Science (CS)
• All CS+ majors
• Computer Engineering
• Mechanical Engineering

Resources
• Go.illinois.edu/transfer-handbook
• Go.illinois.edu/transfer-guide
• Transferology.com

admissions.illinois.edu/apply/transfer
Finding Your Engineering Major

Choosing a Major

At the University of Illinois, you can apply for up to two majors. If you have a strong passion for working in the engineering industry, we highly encourage you to select two engineering majors. This will prompt the admission review staff to exhaust all options to admit you into one of our engineering majors. To determine which programs to select as a first and second choice, follow the tips provided below.

Think about where your interests are focused, and decide how you want to apply them within disciplines of engineering.

For example, a student that is interested in robotics could major in electrical engineering to focus on designing the circuity structure of the robot, or they could major in materials science & engineering to focus on determining the best materials for the robot. Other majors like mechanical engineering, computer science, computer engineering, and engineering mechanics could easily be applied as well for a career in robotics.

EXPLORE RELATED MAJORS

go.grainger.illinois.edu/ChooseAMajor

Which Major is Right for You?

Your path to Grainger Engineering starts with connecting your passion and interests with the opportunities available in one of our 15 top-ranked major programs. Take our majors quiz to discover which programs are a good fit for you, gather the information you need to take the next step and apply.

Take Our Majors Quiz

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1000+ total extracurricular groups