

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, BS

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Electrical engineering is a major field of modern technology and has transformed every facet of our lives. Electrical engineers are involved in research, development, design, production, and operation of a wide variety of devices and systems, including reliable, secure, and high-speed communication networks, autonomous vehicles, robots, multi-agent systems, nanoscale integrated circuits as well as sensors that are essential to the internet-of-things. Other technologies in electrical engineering include smartphones, tablets and other modern computing platforms, as well as wearable technology such as health-monitoring wristbands, biomedical systems such as prosthetic devices, and brain-machine interfaces. The electrical engineering program offers a broad variety of courses and prepares students for a diverse array of careers in the field. Hands-on design experiences and simulation are emphasized throughout the curriculum through labs and projects integrated into various courses. The program culminates in a year-long senior design project effort which provides each student with the opportunity to apply concepts to designing, innovating and building a functional hardware system in a team environment.

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering is staffed by 33 full-time professors and several part-time professors.

The bachelor's program in Electrical Engineering is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, <http://www.abet.org>.

Career Opportunities

Career opportunities exist in engineering research and development, system design, system integration, engineering management, engineering consultancy, technical sales, and patent law, among others. The program provides a strong preparation for graduate study.

Specializations

The curriculum provides a strong background in the fundamentals of electrical engineering and senior-level courses in the areas of electronics, communications and signal processing, embedded systems, internet of things, power and energy systems, controls and robotics, and space-based systems. Further, the curriculum includes 9 credits of senior technical electives and 2 credits of advanced engineering labs, which may be used for further specialization in one of these areas.

Additional Information

Degree requirements may be satisfied on a full-time or part-time basis. Cooperative education provides students with the opportunity to integrate paid career-related work experience with classroom learning. Academic credit towards the completion of major requirements is not given for co-op experience. In addition to the usual financial aid available through the Office of Student Financial Aid, electrical engineering

majors are encouraged to apply for scholarships provided by various professional societies and industrial organizations in their field.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

For policies governing all undergraduate degrees, see AP.5 Undergraduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/>).

Writing-Intensive Requirement

Mason's writing-intensive requirement is satisfied through ECE 333 Linear Electronics I in which faculty provide writing instruction and feedback on student technical writing assignments. Drafts and revisions are required.

Change of Major

See Change of Major (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/#requirementspolicytext>) for more information.

Double Major and Minor Programs for Electrical Engineering and Computer Engineering

Electrical Engineering majors and Computer Engineering majors can earn degrees with double majors in a number of disciplines. Computer Engineering and Computer Science may be combined. Electrical Engineering has been combined with Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering, Physics or Math. Details are available in the department brochures or at the College of Engineering and Computing web site (<https://cec.gmu.edu>). There are several minors available for students in the ECE Department including the Mechanical Engineering minor, Bioengineering minor, and others as listed in the catalog.

Grade Requirements

All electrical engineering students are strongly encouraged to see their major faculty advisor before course registration each semester.

Students must complete each ECE, ENGR, BENG, CS, MATH, PHYS, and STAT course presented as part of the required 121 credits for the degree with a grade of C or better.

Students must also complete any course required by the program that is a prerequisite to another course applicable to the degree with a grade of C or better.

Course Repeat Policy

In addition to the University's Undergraduate Course Repeat Policy (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/electrical-computer/electrical-engineering-bs/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-2-4>), the courses listed within each course pair below may not be repeated in any combination with the other course in the pair more than a total of three times:

- ECE 240 C Programming for Engineers or CS 222 Computer Programming for Engineers
- ECE 340 Data Structures and Embedded Systems Programming in C/C++ or CS 310 Data Structures

- ECE 220 Continuous-time signals and systems or ECE 321 Continuous-Time Signals and Systems

Cross-listed Courses

The department offers several 400-level courses that have similar 500-level counterparts, which may either be cross-listed or offered separately during any given semester. Students may use only one course among each of the pair of courses listed below to meet major requirements:

- Either ECE 414 Grid Digitization and Automation or ECE 514 Grid Digitization and Automation
- Either ECE 417 Smart Grid and Cyber Security or ECE 517 Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid
- Either ECE 418 Power System Protection and Control or ECE 518 Power System Protection and Control
- Either ECE 419 Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems or ECE 519 Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems
- Either ECE 430 Principles of Semiconductor Devices or ECE 584 Semiconductor Device Fundamentals
- Either ECE 455 GPU Architecture and Programming or ECE 555 GPU Architecture and Programming
- Either ECE 480 Small Spacecraft Engineering or ECE 580 Small Spacecraft Engineering

Termination from the Major

No math, science, or College of Engineering and Computing course that is required for the major may be attempted more than three times. Those students who do not successfully complete such a course within three attempts will be terminated from the major. Undeclared students in the College of Engineering and Computing who do not successfully complete a course required for a College of Engineering and Computing major within three attempts will also be terminated.

In addition, students in the College of Engineering and Computing with evidence of continued failure to make adequate progress toward declaring or completing a College of Engineering and Computing major will be terminated from the school. Adequate progress is determined by the major program. For more information, see AP5.2.4 Termination from the Major (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-2-4>).

Once a student has attempted one of these courses twice unsuccessfully, the third attempt must be no later than the next semester of enrollment, excluding summers. Failure to take the course at that time will result in termination from the major. A third attempt of a College of Engineering and Computing course requires support by the student's major department as well as permission by the department offering the course. This permission is not guaranteed. If the student is unable to take the course when required, the student may request an extension to a future semester; extensions require approval of the student's advisor, their department, and the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs. The deadline for extension requests is the add deadline for the semester in which the course is required.

Students who have been terminated from a College of Engineering and Computing major may not register for a College of Engineering and Computing course without permission of the department offering the course. This applies to all undergraduate courses offered by the College of Engineering and Computing except IT 104 Introduction to Computing (Mason Core) (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>) and STAT 250

Introductory Statistics I (Mason Core) (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>).

A student may not declare any major in the College of Engineering and Computing if the student has previously met the termination criteria for that major at any time, regardless of what the student's major was at the time the courses were taken.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Total credits: minimum 121

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Code	Title	Credits
ECE 101	Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering	3
ECE 201	Introduction to Signals and Systems	3
ECE 231	Digital System Design	3
ECE 232	Digital System Design Lab	1
ECE 240	C Programming for Engineers	3
ECE 285	Electric Circuit Analysis I	3
ECE 286	Electric Circuit Analysis II	3
ECE 305	Electromagnetic Theory	3
ECE 321	Continuous-Time Signals and Systems	3
ECE 333	Linear Electronics I	3
ECE 334	Linear Electronics Lab I	1
ECE 350	Embedded Systems and Hardware Interfaces	3
ECE 421	Classical Systems and Control Theory	3
ECE 433	Linear Electronics II	3
ECE 445	Computer Organization	3
ECE 460	Communication and Information Theory	3
ECE 491	Engineering Seminar	1
ECE 492	Senior Advanced Design Project I (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	1
ECE 493	RS: Senior Advanced Design Project II (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	2
Total Credits		48

Technical Electives

Three technical elective courses totaling 9 credit hours must be selected from the list below. ECE 447 Microcontrollers and ECE 448 FPGA Design with VHDL, which are 4-credit courses with built-in labs, can be used to fulfill one technical elective and one advanced lab requirement. Only 3 credits of ECE 395 Electrical and Computer Engineering Internship may be counted towards fulfilling one technical elective requirement. The graduate courses listed below and courses outside the ECE department may be taken to fulfill the technical elective requirement with the permission of the department. The decision to approve non-ECE courses as well as graduate courses as technical electives is at the discretion of the department based on a review of the course content and the student's academic record.

Code	Title	Credits
Select 9 credit hours from the following: ¹		
ECE 340	Data Structures and Embedded Systems Programming in C/C++	9
ECE 370	Robot Design	
ECE 395	Electrical and Computer Engineering Internship	
ECE 410	Applications of Discrete-Time Signal Processing	
ECE 411	Electricity Sector Engineering, Economics, and Regulation	
ECE 414	Grid Digitization and Automation	
or ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation	
ECE 415	Power System Analysis	
ECE 416	Electric Machinery and Modern Applications	
ECE 417	Smart Grid and Cyber Security	
or ECE 517	Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid	
ECE 418	Power System Protection and Control	
or ECE 518	Power System Protection and Control	
ECE 419	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	
or ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	
ECE 424	Modern Control Systems Design	
ECE 425	Secure RF Communications	
ECE 427	Introduction to Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Engineering	
ECE 430	Principles of Semiconductor Devices	
ECE 431	Digital Circuit Design	
ECE 446	Device Driver Development	
ECE 447	Microcontrollers	
ECE 448	FPGA Design with VHDL	
ECE 450	Mobile Robots	
ECE 455	GPU Architecture and Programming	
or ECE 555	GPU Architecture and Programming	
ECE 462	Data and Computer Communications	
ECE 463	Digital Communications Systems	
ECE 465	Computer Networking Protocols	
ECE 470	Introduction to Humanoid Robotics	
ECE 476	Cryptography Fundamentals	
ECE 480	Small Spacecraft Engineering	
or ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering	
ECE 499	Special Topics in Electrical and Computer Engineering	
The following 500-level courses may also be taken (with prior approval of the department):		
ECE 505	Hardware Security	
ECE 508	Internet of Things	
ECE 511	Computer Architecture	
ECE 512	Computer Architecture Security	
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory	
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications	
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control	
ECE 527	Learning From Data	

ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering	9
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering	
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks	
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing	
ECE 538	Medical Imaging	
ECE 539	Neural Engineering	
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols	
ECE 550	System Engineering Design	
ECE 552	Big Data Technologies	
ECE 554	Machine Learning for Embedded Systems	
ECE 556	Neuromorphic Computing	
ECE 565	Introduction to Optical Electronics	
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications	
ECE 584	Semiconductor Device Fundamentals	
ECE 586	Digital Integrated Circuits	
ECE 587	Design of Analog Integrated Circuits	
ECE 590	Selected Topics in Engineering	
Total Credits		9

¹ Registration in 500-level coursework requires prior approval

Advanced Engineering Labs

Code	Title	Credits
Select two advanced labs from the following: 2		
ECE 420	Smart Grid Lab	2
ECE 429	Modern Control Systems Lab	
ECE 434	Linear Electronics II Laboratory	
ECE 436	Printed Circuit Board Design Lab	
ECE 447	Microcontrollers ²	
ECE 448	FPGA Design with VHDL ²	
ECE 461	Communication Engineering Laboratory	
ECE 467	Computer Networking Laboratory	
Total Credits		2

² Fulfills 3 credits of technical electives and 1 credit of advanced lab.

Computer Science

Code	Title	Credits
CS 112	Introduction to Computer Programming (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	4
Total Credits		4

Mathematics and Statistics

Code	Title	Credits
MATH 113	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	4
MATH 114	Analytic Geometry and Calculus II	4

MATH 203	Linear Algebra	3
MATH 213	Analytic Geometry and Calculus III	3
MATH 214	Elementary Differential Equations	3
STAT 346	Probability for Engineers	3
Total Credits		20

Physics

Code	Title	Credits
PHYS 160	University Physics I (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
PHYS 161	University Physics I Laboratory (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	1
PHYS 260	University Physics II (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
PHYS 261	University Physics II Laboratory (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	1
PHYS 262	University Physics III (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
PHYS 263	University Physics III Laboratory (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	1
Total Credits		12

Engineering

Code	Title	Credits
ENGR 107	Introduction to Engineering (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	2
Total Credits		2

English, Communication, and Economics

Code	Title	Credits
ENGH 302	Advanced Composition (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/) (Natural Sciences and Technology or Multidisciplinary section)	3
COMM 100 or COMM 101	Public Speaking (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/) Fundamentals of Communication (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
ECON 103	Contemporary Microeconomic Principles (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
Total Credits		9

Additional Mason Core

Students must complete all Mason Core (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>) requirements not fulfilled by major requirements. Mason Core courses should be selected from the department's list of approved courses. Honors college students meet the written and oral communication requirements through completion of the honors college curriculum. The Synthesis Mason Core requirement is satisfied by ECE 492 Senior Advanced Design Project I (Mason Core) (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>) and ECE 493 RS: Senior Advanced Design Project II (Mason Core) (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>).

Code	Title	Credits
	Written Communication (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/#written) ³	3
	Literature (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/#literature)	3
	Arts (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/#arts)	3
	Global History (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/#global-history)	3
	Global Understanding (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/#global)	3
Total Credits		15

³ Lower-level requirement.

Concentrations

Concentrations are available in the electrical engineering baccalaureate program. Completion of specific science courses and senior-level courses leads to one of these designations on the student's transcript on graduation. Concentration requirements may also meet some or all of the Advanced Engineering Lab and Technical Elective requirements.

Available Concentrations

- Concentration in Controls and Robotics (CARB)
- Concentration in Communications and Signal Processing (CSP)
- Concentration in Electronics (ELE)
- Concentration in Embedded Systems (EMSY)
- Concentration in Internet of Things (IOT)
- Concentration in Power and Energy Systems (PES)
- Concentration in Space-Based Systems (SBSY)

Concentration in Controls and Robotics (CARB)

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses:		7
ECE 350	Embedded Systems and Hardware Interfaces	
ECE 424	Modern Control Systems Design	
ECE 429	Modern Control Systems Lab	
Select two from the following:		6-7
ECE 370	Robot Design	
ECE 447	Microcontrollers	
ECE 450	Mobile Robots	
ECE 470	Introduction to Humanoid Robotics	
ECE 480 or ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering Small Spacecraft Engineering	
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control	
ECE 527	Learning From Data	
Total Credits		13-14

Concentration in Communications and Signal Processing (CSP)

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses:		7
ECE 321	Continuous-Time Signals and Systems	
ECE 460	Communication and Information Theory	
ECE 461 or ECE 467	Communication Engineering Laboratory Computer Networking Laboratory	
Select three from the following:		9

ECE 410	Applications of Discrete-Time Signal Processing
ECE 414	Grid Digitization and Automation
or ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation
ECE 425	Secure RF Communications
ECE 462	Data and Computer Communications
ECE 463	Digital Communications Systems
ECE 465	Computer Networking Protocols
ECE 476	Cryptography Fundamentals
PHYS 306	Wave Motion and Electromagnetic Radiation
ECE 527	Learning From Data
ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications
Total Credits	16

Concentration in Electronics (ELE)

Code	Title	Credits	
Required Courses:			4
ECE 433	Linear Electronics II		
ECE 434	Linear Electronics II Laboratory		
Select three from the following:			9-11
ECE 415	Power System Analysis		
ECE 419	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems		
or ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems		
ECE 430	Principles of Semiconductor Devices		
ECE 431	Digital Circuit Design		
ECE 447	Microcontrollers		
ECE 448	FPGA Design with VHDL		
ECE 480	Small Spacecraft Engineering		
or ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering		
PHYS 306	Wave Motion and Electromagnetic Radiation		
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory		
ECE 565	Introduction to Optical Electronics		
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications		
ECE 584	Semiconductor Device Fundamentals		
ECE 586	Digital Integrated Circuits		
ECE 587	Design of Analog Integrated Circuits		
Total Credits		13-15	

Concentration in Embedded Systems (EMSY)

Code	Title	Credits	
Required Courses:			7
ECE 350	Embedded Systems and Hardware Interfaces		
ECE 447	Microcontrollers		
Select two from the following:			6
ECE 340	Data Structures and Embedded Systems Programming in C/C++		
ECE 446	Device Driver Development		
ECE 455	GPU Architecture and Programming		
or ECE 555	GPU Architecture and Programming		
ECE 480	Small Spacecraft Engineering		
or ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering		
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications		
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering		
ECE 554	Machine Learning for Embedded Systems		
Total Credits		13	

Concentration in Internet of Things (IOT)

Code	Title	Credits	
Required Courses:			9
ECE 350	Embedded Systems and Hardware Interfaces		
ECE 465	Computer Networking Protocols		
ECE 508	Internet of Things		
Select one from the following:			3
ECE 414	Grid Digitization and Automation		
or ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation		
ECE 455	GPU Architecture and Programming		
or ECE 555	GPU Architecture and Programming		
ECE 462	Data and Computer Communications		
ECE 476	Cryptography Fundamentals		
ECE 512	Computer Architecture Security		
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering		
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks		
ECE 554	Machine Learning for Embedded Systems		
Total Credits		12	

Concentration in Power and Energy Systems (PES)

Code	Title	Credits	
Required Courses:			7
ECE 305	Electromagnetic Theory		
ECE 415	Power System Analysis		
ECE 420	Smart Grid Lab		
Select at least one from the following:			3
ECE 414	Grid Digitization and Automation		
or ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation		
ECE 416	Electric Machinery and Modern Applications		
ECE 417	Smart Grid and Cyber Security		
or ECE 517	Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid		
ECE 418	Power System Protection and Control		

or ECE 518	Power System Protection and Control	
ECE 419	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	
or ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	
Select remaining elective from the following:		3
ECE 411	Electricity Sector Engineering, Economics, and Regulation	
ECE 462	Data and Computer Communications	
ECE 465	Computer Networking Protocols	
ECE 476	Cryptography Fundamentals	
ECE 508	Internet of Things	
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory	
ECE 527	Learning From Data	
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	
Total Credits		13

Concentration in Space-Based Systems (SBSY)

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses:		6
ECE 350	Embedded Systems and Hardware Interfaces	
ECE 480	Small Spacecraft Engineering	
or ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering	
Select two from the following:		6-8
ECE 424	Modern Control Systems Design	
ECE 425	Secure RF Communications	
ECE 447	Microcontrollers	
ECE 448	FPGA Design with VHDL	
ECE 462	Data and Computer Communications	
ECE 463	Digital Communications Systems	
ME 472	Spacecraft Subsystems	
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory	
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering	
ECE 550	System Engineering Design	
Total Credits		12-14

4-Year Plan

Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering Sample Plan of Study

Detailed four year plans and degree planning checklists can be found at <https://advising.gmu.edu/current-student/majors-at-mason/>.

Accelerated Master's

BS (any)/Statistical Science, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program (BAM) and obtain an undergraduate BS

degree and the Statistical Science, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/school-computing/statistics/statistical-science-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 138 credits.

Admitted students are able to use up to 12 graduate credits in partial satisfaction of requirements for the undergraduate degree. Upon completion and conferral of the bachelor's degree and with satisfactory performance (grade of 'B' or better) in each of the graduate courses, students are given advanced standing in the master's program.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

No specific undergraduate BS degree is required. Students enrolled in any BS degree may apply to the accelerated Statistical Science, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/school-computing/statistics/statistical-science-ms/>) program **if such an accelerated Statistical Science, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/school-computing/statistics/statistical-science-ms/>) pathway is allowable from the student's BS program, which will be determined by the academic advisors of both the BS and MS programs.**

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of 3.0.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific prerequisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the Statistical Science, MS program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form:

- Completion of Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation) and completion of application for graduation.
- An overall GPA of 3.00.
- Completion of the following Mason courses each with a grade of C or better.

Code	Title	Credits
MATH 213	Analytic Geometry and Calculus III	3
MATH 203 or MATH 321	Linear Algebra Abstract Algebra	3
STAT 250	Introductory Statistics I (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
or STAT 344	Probability and Statistics for Engineers and Scientists I	

STAT 346 or MATH 351	Probability for Engineers Probability	3
STAT 362	Introduction to Computer Statistical Packages	3

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, students complete all credits satisfying degree requirements for the BS and MS programs, with up to twelve credits overlap chosen from the following graduate courses:

Code	Title	Credits
STAT 544	Applied Probability	3
STAT 554	Applied Statistics I	3
STAT 560	Biostatistical Methods	3
STAT 574	Survey Sampling I	3
STAT 663	Statistical Graphics and Data Visualization	3

All graduate course prerequisites must be completed prior to enrollment.

Each graduate course must be completed with a grade of B or better to apply toward the MS degree.

While still in undergraduate status, a maximum of 6 additional graduate credits may be taken as reserve graduate credit and applied to the master's program. Reserve graduate credits do not apply to the undergraduate degree.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>) policies.

Degree Conferral

Students must apply the semester before they expect to complete the BS requirements to have the BS degree conferred. In addition, at the beginning of the student's final undergraduate semester, students must complete a Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form that is submitted to the Office of the University Registrar and Graduate Recruitment and Enrollment Services. At the completion of MS requirements, a master's degree is conferred.

Electrical Engineering, BS/Computer Engineering, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program and obtain a BS in Electrical Engineering and an MS in Computer Engineering (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/electrical-computer/computer-engineering-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 139 credits.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of 3.0.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific pre-requisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the MS program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form: 3.0 overall GPA, successfully meeting Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation), and completing the application for graduation.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, undergraduate students interested in taking graduate courses must choose from the following:

Advanced standing courses: Students may take up to 12 credits of graduate-level courses that will count as advanced standing (i.e., overlap between the BS/MS program) from the list below. Note that ECE 587 can be used to meet the ECE 433 requirement for the BS in Electrical Engineering program. An additional 9 credits of graduate-level courses from the list below may be selected to substitute in place of the 9 credits of technical electives required for the undergraduate degree.

Code	Title	Credits
ECE 505	Hardware Security	3
ECE 508	Internet of Things	3
ECE 511	Computer Architecture	3
ECE 512	Computer Architecture Security	3
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications	3
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control	3
ECE 527	Learning From Data	3
ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering	3
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering	3
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	3
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks	3
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing	3
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols	3
ECE 545	Digital System Design with VHDL	3
ECE 552	Big Data Technologies	3
ECE 554	Machine Learning for Embedded Systems	3
ECE 555	GPU Architecture and Programming	3
ECE 556	Neuromorphic Computing	3
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications	3

ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering	3
ECE 590	Selected Topics in Engineering	3

Selected 600 level courses may be taken as well with permission of an advisor granted before registering for a given course.

Reserve credit courses: Additional courses (up to 6 credits) may be selected from the above list as credits to be put on reserve to be later applied to the graduate program. Students can take these courses while undergraduates but these reserve courses will only count for the graduate degree program.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>).

Degree Conferral

Students must apply the semester before they expect to complete the BS requirements to have the BS degree conferred. In addition, at the beginning of the student's final undergraduate semester, students must complete a Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form. At the completion of MS requirements, a master's degree is conferred.

Electrical Engineering, BS/Electrical Engineering, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program and obtain a BS in Electrical Engineering and an MS in Electrical Engineering (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/electrical-computer/electrical-engineering-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 139 credits.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of 3.0.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific prerequisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the MS program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form: 3.0 overall GPA, successfully meeting Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation), and completing the application for graduation.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, undergraduate students interested in taking graduate courses must choose from the following:

Advanced standing courses: Students may take up to 12 credits of graduate-level courses that will count as advanced standing (i.e., overlap between the BS/MS program) from the list below. Note that that either ECE 584 Semiconductor Device Fundamentals or ECE 586 Digital Integrated Circuits or ECE 587 Design of Analog Integrated Circuits can be used to meet the ECE 433 Linear Electronics II requirement for the BS in Electrical Engineering program. An additional 9 credits of graduate-level courses from the list below may be selected to substitute in place of the 9 credits of technical electives required for the undergraduate degree:

Code	Title	Credits
ECE 505	Hardware Security	3
ECE 508	Internet of Things	3
ECE 511	Computer Architecture	3
ECE 512	Computer Architecture Security	3
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory	3
ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation	3
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications	3
ECE 517	Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid	3
ECE 518	Power System Protection and Control	3
ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	3
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control	3
ECE 527	Learning From Data	3
ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering	3
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering	3
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	3
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks	3
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing	3
ECE 538	Medical Imaging	3
ECE 539	Neural Engineering	3
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols	3
ECE 550	System Engineering Design	3
ECE 552	Big Data Technologies	3
ECE 554	Machine Learning for Embedded Systems	3
ECE 555	GPU Architecture and Programming	3
ECE 556	Neuromorphic Computing	3
ECE 565	Introduction to Optical Electronics	3
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications	3
ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering	3
ECE 584	Semiconductor Device Fundamentals	3
ECE 586	Digital Integrated Circuits	3
ECE 587	Design of Analog Integrated Circuits	3
ECE 590	Selected Topics in Engineering	3

Selected 600 level courses may be taken as well with permission of an advisor granted before registering for a given course.

Reserve credit courses: Additional courses (up to 6 credits) may be selected from the above list as credits to be put on reserve to be later applied to the graduate program. Students can take these courses while undergraduates but these reserve courses will only count for the graduate degree program.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>)

Degree Conferral

Students must apply the semester before they expect to complete the BS requirements to have the BS degree conferred. In addition, at the beginning of the student's final undergraduate semester, students must complete a Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form. At the completion of MS requirements, a master's degree is conferred.

Electrical Engineering, BS/Operations Research, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program and obtain an Electrical Engineering, BS and an Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 139 credits.

Admitted students are able to use up to 12 graduate credits in partial satisfaction of requirements for the undergraduate degree. Upon completion and conferral of the bachelor's degree and with satisfactory performance (grade of 'B' or better) in each of the graduate courses, students are given advanced standing in the master's program.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#text>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Electrical Engineering, BS students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of at least 3.3, and completion of all MATH, PHYS 160/161, and PHYS 260/261 requirements. Students must additionally complete MATH 203 Linear Algebra prior to applying for the graduate program.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific pre-requisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

The criteria for admission are identical to criteria for admission to the Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/>) program. Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/>) program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form:

- An overall GPA of at least 3.3
- Successfully meeting Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation) and completing the application for graduation.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, undergraduate students interested in taking graduate courses must choose from the following:

Advanced Standing course: Students must complete all credits that satisfy requirements for both the BS and MS programs. Up to four courses (12 credits) of approved master's level courses taken as part of the undergraduate degree may be applied to the graduate degree. The courses selected for this purpose must be approved by the academic advisors of both the BS and MS programs and by the SEOR department chair.

- Students selecting up to two courses (6 credits) of approved master's level courses may select from the Electrical and Computer Engineering courses given below.
- Students selecting up to three or four courses (9 or 12 credits) of approved master's level courses may select at most two courses from the Electrical and Computer Engineering course list and select the remaining courses from the Systems Engineering and Operations Research course list given below. Note that ECE 587 can be used to meet the ECE 433 requirement for the Electrical Engineering, BS program. Students are highly recommended to select courses marked as core courses because it applies to the master's degree regardless of the graduate-level concentration chosen in the Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/#acceleratedmasterstext>). The undergraduate version of these courses, if any, may *not* be applied toward the Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/>). Credit may not be received for both the undergraduate and graduate version of these courses.
- Some of the courses in the Systems Engineering and Operations Research course list applies only to certain concentrations in the Operations Research, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/operations-research-ms/>) program.
- Students must pay attention to the prerequisites required for a course, and the master's degree concentration that the course may satisfy.

Select at most two from the following Electrical and Computer Engineering courses:

Code	Title	Credits
ECE 505	Hardware Security	
ECE 508	Internet of Things	
ECE 511	Computer Architecture	
ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory	
ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation	
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications	
ECE 517	Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid	
ECE 518	Power System Protection and Control	
ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems	
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control	
ECE 527	Learning From Data	
ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering	
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering	
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks	
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing	
ECE 538	Medical Imaging	
ECE 539	Neural Engineering	
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols	
ECE 550	System Engineering Design	
ECE 552	Big Data Technologies	
ECE 565	Introduction to Optical Electronics	
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications	
ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering	
ECE 584	Semiconductor Device Fundamentals	
ECE 586	Digital Integrated Circuits	
ECE 587	Design of Analog Integrated Circuits	
ECE 590	Selected Topics in Engineering	

Select the remaining from the following Systems Engineering and Operations Research courses:

Code	Title	Credits
SYST 521	Network Analysis	
OR 538	Analytics for Financial Engineering and Econometrics	
OR 541	Operations Research: Deterministic Models (Core)	
OR 542	Operations Research: Stochastic Models (Core)	
OR 568	Applied Predictive Analytics (Core)	
OR 588	Financial Systems Engineering I: Introduction to Options, Futures, and Derivatives	

While still in undergraduate status, a maximum of 6 additional graduate credits may be taken as reserve graduate credit and applied to the master's program. Reserve graduate credits do not apply to the undergraduate degree.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#text>).

Degree Conferral

Students must apply the semester before they expect to complete the BS requirements to have the BS degree conferred. In addition, at the beginning of the student's final undergraduate semester, students must complete a Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form. At the completion of MS requirements, a master's degree is conferred.

Electrical Engineering, BS/Systems Engineering, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program and obtain an Electrical Engineering, BS and a Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 139 credits.

Admitted students are able to use up to 12 graduate credits in partial satisfaction of requirements for the undergraduate degree. Upon completion and conferral of the bachelor's degree and with satisfactory performance (grade of 'B' or better) in each of the graduate courses, students are given advanced standing in the master's program.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#text>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Electrical Engineering, BS students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of at least 3.3, and completion of all MATH, PHYS 160/161, and PHYS 260/261 requirements.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific pre-requisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

The criteria for admission are identical to criteria for admission to the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) program. Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form:

- An overall GPA of at least 3.3
- Successfully meeting Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation) and completing the application for graduation.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, undergraduate students interested in taking graduate courses must choose from the following:

Advanced Standing course: Students must complete all credits that satisfy requirements for both the BS and MS programs. Up to four courses (12 credits) of approved master's level courses taken as part of the undergraduate degree may be applied to the graduate degree. The courses selected for this purpose must be approved by the academic advisors of both the BS and MS programs and by the SEOR department chair.

- Students selecting up to two courses (6 credits) of approved master's level courses may select from the Electrical and Computer Engineering courses given below.
- Students selecting up to three or four courses (9 or 12 credits) of approved master's level courses may select at most two courses from the Electrical and Computer Engineering course list and select the remaining courses from the Systems Engineering and Operations Research course list given below. Note that ECE 587 can be used to meet the ECE 433 requirement for the Electrical Engineering, BS program. Students are highly recommended to select courses marked as core courses because it applies to the master's degree regardless of the graduate-level concentration chosen in the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) program. The undergraduate version of these courses, if any, may *not* be applied toward the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>). Credit may not be received for both the undergraduate and graduate version of these courses.
- Except for the courses marked as core, any course chosen from either course list can be used to satisfy SYST 505 Systems Engineering Principles core requirement in the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) program.
- Some of the courses in the Systems Engineering and Operations Research course list applies only to certain concentrations in the Systems Engineering, MS (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/systems-operations-research/systems-engineering-ms/>) program.
- Students must pay attention to the prerequisites required for a course, and the master's degree concentration that the course may satisfy.

Select at most two from the following Electrical and Computer Engineering courses:

Code	Title	Credits
ECE 505	Hardware Security	
ECE 508	Internet of Things	
ECE 511	Computer Architecture	

ECE 513	Applied Electromagnetic Theory
ECE 514	Grid Digitization and Automation
ECE 516	Mobile Systems and Applications
ECE 517	Cyber Infrastructure of the Smart Grid
ECE 518	Power System Protection and Control
ECE 519	Power Electronics for Modern Power Systems
ECE 521	Linear Systems and Control
ECE 527	Learning From Data
ECE 528	Introduction to Random Processes in Electrical and Computer Engineering
ECE 530	Sensor Engineering
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks
ECE 532	Secure Wireless Communications and Networks
ECE 535	Digital Signal Processing
ECE 538	Medical Imaging
ECE 539	Neural Engineering
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols
ECE 550	System Engineering Design
ECE 552	Big Data Technologies
ECE 565	Introduction to Optical Electronics
ECE 567	Optical Fiber Communications
ECE 580	Small Spacecraft Engineering
ECE 584	Semiconductor Device Fundamentals
ECE 586	Digital Integrated Circuits
ECE 587	Design of Analog Integrated Circuits
ECE 590	Selected Topics in Engineering

Select the remaining from the following Systems Engineering and Operations Research courses:

Code	Title	Credits
SYST 510	Systems Definition and Cost Modeling (Core)	
SYST 520	System Engineering Design (Core)	
SYST 530	Systems Engineering Management I (Core)	
SYST 542	Decision Support Systems Engineering	
SYST 573	Decision and Risk Analysis	
SYST 538	Analytics for Financial Engineering and Econometrics	
SYST 568	Applied Predictive Analytics	
SYST 584	Heterogeneous Data Fusion	
SYST 588	Financial Systems Engineering I: Introduction to Options, Futures, and Derivatives	

While still in undergraduate status, a maximum of 6 additional graduate credits may be taken as reserve graduate credit and applied to the master's program. Reserve graduate credits do not apply to the undergraduate degree.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#text>).

Degree Conferral

Students must apply the semester before they expect to complete the BS requirements to have the BS degree conferred. In addition, at the beginning of the student's final undergraduate semester, students must complete a Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form. At the completion of MS requirements, a master's degree is conferred.

Electrical Engineering, BS/ Telecommunications, Accelerated MS

Overview

Highly-qualified undergraduates may be admitted to the bachelor's/accelerated master's program and obtain a BS in Electrical Engineering and an MS in Telecommunications (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/electrical-computer/telecommunications-ms/>) in an accelerated time-frame after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 142 credits.

See AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>) for policies related to this program.

Students in an accelerated degree program must fulfill all university requirements for the master's degree. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

BAM Pathway Admission Requirements

Applicants to all graduate programs at George Mason University must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admissions Policies and Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degree policies.

Students will be considered for admission into the BAM Pathway after completion of a minimum of 60 credits with an overall GPA of 3.0.

Students who are accepted into the BAM Pathway will be allowed to register for graduate level courses after successful completion of a minimum of 75 undergraduate credits and course-specific prerequisites.

Accelerated Master's Admission Requirements

Students already admitted in the BAM Pathway will be admitted to the MS program, if they have met the following criteria, as verified on the Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Transition form: 3.0 overall GPA, successfully meeting Mason's requirements for undergraduate degree conferral (graduation), and completing the application for graduation.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements

To maintain the integrity and quality of both the undergraduate and graduate degree programs, undergraduate students interested in taking graduate courses must choose from the following:

Advanced standing courses: Students may take up to 9 credits of graduate-level courses that will count as advanced standing (i.e., overlap between the BS/MS program) from the list below. At least one class (3 credits) needs to be an ECE course. These 9 credits of graduate-level courses may be selected to substitute in place of the 9 credits of technical electives required for the undergraduate degree:

Code	Title	Credits
TCOM 514	Basic Switching: Lecture and Laboratory Course	3
or TCOM 515	Internet Protocol Routing: Lecture and Laboratory Course	
TCOM 535	The TCP/IP Suite of Internet Protocols	3
ECE 542	Computer Network Architectures and Protocols	3
ECE 531	Introduction to Wireless Communications and Networks	3

Selected 600 level courses may be taken as well with permission of an advisor granted before registering for a given course.

Reserve credit courses: Additional courses (up to 6 credits) may be selected from the list below as credits to be put on reserve to be later applied to the graduate program. Students can take these courses while undergraduates but these reserve courses will only count for the graduate degree program.

Code	Title	Credits
TCOM 500	Modern Telecommunications	3
TCOM 514	Basic Switching: Lecture and Laboratory Course	3
TCOM 515	Internet Protocol Routing: Lecture and Laboratory Course	3
TCOM 535	The TCP/IP Suite of Internet Protocols	3
TCOM 552	Introduction to Mobile Communications Systems	3
TCOM 570	Network Automation	3
TCOM 590	Selected Topics in Telecommunications	1.5-3

Selected 600 level courses may be taken as well with permission of an advisor granted before registering for a given course.

For more detailed information on coursework and timeline requirements, see AP.6.7 Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Degrees (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-7>).