

Engineering Physics

Sample Curriculum for Electrical and Computer Engineering Specialization

Student Information

Name: _____ OSU Email: _____

Suggested Curriculum

This should be used as a **guide** only. Semester offerings are subject to change.

| Year | Autumn | Spring |
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| 1 | ___ Physics 1270 ¹ (<i>Intro Physics I</i>) 5 hr ___ Math 1151 (<i>Calculus I</i>) 5 hr ___ Engineering 1181 (<i>Intro Engineering I</i>) 2 hr ___ Engineering 1100 (<i>Engineering Survey</i>) 1 hr ___ Writing & Info Literacy GE 3 hr | ___ Physics 1271 ¹ (<i>Intro Physics II</i>) 5 hr ___ Math 1172 (<i>Eng Mathematics A</i>) 5 hr ___ Engineering 1182 (<i>Intro Engineering II</i>) 2 hr ___ CSE 1222 (<i>C++ Programming</i>) 3 hr ___ GenEd 1201 ² 1 hr |
| 2 | ___ Physics 2300 (<i>Mechanics I</i>) 4 hr ___ Physics 2095 (<i>Physics Seminar</i>) 1 hr ___ Math 2173 (<i>Eng Mathematics B</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE 2020 (<i>Intro to Analog Sysms & Circuits</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE 2060 (<i>Intro to Digital Logic</i>) 3 hr ___ Literary, Visual and Performing Arts GE 3 hr | ___ Physics 2301 (<i>Mechanics II</i>) 4 hr ___ Math 2415 (<i>Differential Equations</i>) 3 hr ___ Math 2568 (<i>Linear Algebra</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE 2050 (<i>Intro to Discrete Time Signals/Sysm</i>) 3 hr ___ Social and Behavioral Sciences GE 3 hr |
| 3 | ___ Physics 5500 (<i>Quantum Mechanics</i>) 4 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ Physics 3700 (<i>Data Analysis Lab</i>) 3 hr ___ Citizenship Theme GE ⁵ 3 hr | ___ Physics 5400 (<i>Electromagnetism</i>) 4 hr ___ Physics 4700 (<i>Electronics Lab</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ Historical and Cultural Studies GE 3 hr ___ Race, Ethnicity, Gender Diversity GE 3 hr |
| 4 | ___ Physics 5800 ⁶ (<i>Eng Phy Capstone I</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ Targeted Elective ⁴ 3 hr ___ Citizenship Theme GE ⁵ 3 hr ___ Student Choice Theme GE ⁵ 3 hr | ___ Physics 5801 ⁶ (<i>Eng Phy Capstone II</i>) 3 hr ___ ECE Elective 3 hr ___ Targeted Elective ⁴ 3 hr ___ Physics Elective ³ 4 hr ___ Student Choice Theme GE ⁵ 3 hr |

Total Hours to complete the degree program = 131; Courses printed in **bold** are taught only during the term shown.

¹ Students can take Physics 1250-1251, 1250H-1251H, 1260-1261, or 1270-1271

² GenEd 1201 must be taken within the first three semesters

³ Physics Elective options are Physics 3470, 5300, 5401H, 5501, 5600, 5680, and 5810

⁴ A list of Targeted Electives options is available at go.osu.edu/targeted-electives. Note: since students pursuing the ECE specialization take Math 2415+2568 instead of 2174, the additional math course is counting as 3 hours toward the Targeted Elective requirement, leaving 6 hours remaining.

⁵ Take either two 3-credit hour classes or one 4-credit hour class for each of the two GE Thematic Pathways requirements. If two 3-hour courses are taken, they must be from different subjects.

⁶ Students can take the College of Engineering Multidisciplinary Capstone Design sequence, Engineering 5901.01-5902.01 in place of Physics 5800-5801. Enrollment in ENGR 5901.01 requires approval. More information about ENGR 5901.01, including the enrollment request details, can be found on the [Department of Engineering Education website](#).

Engineering Specializations

Engineering Physics students are required to take at least 27 hours from one of the following engineering specializations. Note: this document outlines the requirements for the **Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)** specialization.

Aerospace Engineering
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering
Computer Science & Engineering
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Industrial & Systems Engineering
Materials Science & Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Nuclear Engineering

Requirements for each specialization can be found below and at physics.osu.edu/engineering-physics-program/engineering-physics-degree-requirements

Electrical and Computer Engineering Specialization

Required courses (9 hours)

| Course | Course title | Credits | Term | Prerequisites |
|----------|--|---------|--------|---|
| ECE 2020 | Intro to Analog Systems and Circuits | 3 | Au, Sp | (Math 1152 or 1172 or 1181H); and (Physics 1250, 1260, or 1270) |
| ECE 2050 | Intro to Discrete Time Signals & Systems | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2060; and CSE 1222. Prereq or concur: Math 2568 |
| ECE 2060 | Intro to Digital Logic | 3 | Au, Sp | None |

Electives courses (choose 18 hours)

See the end of this document for guidance on choosing electives based on your interests.

| Course | Course title | Credits | Term | Prerequisites |
|----------|--|---------|--------|---|
| ECE 2300 | Electrical Circuits and Electronic Devices | 3 | Au, Sp | (Physics 1251 or 1261 or 1271) and (Math 1172, 2153, 2182H, or 4182H) |
| ECE 2560 | Intro to Microcontroller-Based Systems | 2 | Au, Sp | ECE 2060; pre-req or concurrent: CSE 1222 or ENGR 1281H |
| ECE 3010 | Intro to Radio Frequency & Optical Engineering | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2020; and (Physics 1251, 1261, or 1271); and (Math 2415 or 2174) |
| ECE 3020 | Introduction to Electronics | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2020 |
| ECE 3027 | Electronics Laboratory | 1 | Au, Sp | ECE 3020 |
| ECE 3030 | Semiconductor Electronic Devices | 3 | Au, Sp | (Physics 1251, 1261, or 1271); and (Chemistry 1210 or 1250); pre-req or concur: Math 2415 or 2174 |
| ECE 3040 | Sustainable Energy and Power Systems I | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2020 |
| ECE 3047 | Sustainable Energy and Energy Conversion Lab | 1 | Au, Sp | ECE 3040 |
| ECE 3050 | Signals and Systems | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2020, 2050, and 2060; and Math 2568 |

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| ECE 3551 | Intro to Feedback Control Systms | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 3050 |
| ECE 3561 | Advanced Digital Design | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2060; pre-req or concur: ECE 3020 |
| ECE 3567 | Microcontroller Lab | 2 | Au, Sp | ECE 2560 |
| ECE 4021 | Analog Integrated Circuits I | 3 | Au | ECE 3020 |
| ECE 5010 | Wireless Propagation and Remote Sensing | 3 | Au | ECE 3010 |
| ECE 5012 | Integrated Optics | 3 | Sp | ECE 3010 |
| ECE 5013 | Intro to Radar Systems | 3 | Sp | ECE 3050; and ECE 3010; and Statistics 3470 |
| ECE 5020 | Mixed Signal VLSI | 3 | Au | ECE 3020 |
| ECE 5021 | Analog Integrated Circuits II | 3 | Sp | ECE 4021 |
| ECE 5022 | Intro to RF Systems | 3 | Au | ECE 4021 |
| ECE 5025 | Power Electronics: Devices, Circuits, and Applications | 3 | Au | ECE 3020 |
| ECE 5027 | Microwave Electronics | 4 | Sp | ECE 3020 |
| ECE 5031 | Semiconductor Process Tech. | 3 | Sp | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5033 | Surfaces and Interfaces of Electronics Materials | 3 | Au | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5037 | Solid State Electronics and Photonics Laboratory | 4 | Au | Prereq or concur: ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5041 | Electric Machines | 3 | Sp | ECE 3020 and 3040 |
| ECE 5042 | Power Systems | 3 | Au | ECE 3040 |
| ECE 5050 | Humanitarian Engineering | 4 | Sp | Engineering 1182 or 1282H |
| ECE 5078 | Empowering the Entrepreneurial Electrical and Computer Engineer | 3 | Sp | Prereq or concurrent: ECE 3010, 3020, 3030, 3040, or 3050 |
| ECE 5101 | Intro to Wireless Networking | 3 | Sp | ECE 3561 and (Statistics 2450 or 3470) |
| ECE 5131 | Lasers | 3 | Au | ECE 3010 or 3030 |
| ECE 5227 | Fundamentals of Power Mngmt Integrated Circuits for VLSI System | 4 | Sp | ECE 4021 |
| ECE 5244 | Si and Wade Band Gap Power Devices | 3 | Au | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5326 | Computer Architecture & Design | 3 | Au, Sp | ECE 2560 and 3561 |
| ECE 5400 | Instrumentation, Signals, and Control in Transport. Applications | 3 | Varies | ECE 2020 and 2050; and Math 2415 |
| ECE 5460 | Image Processing | 3 | Au | Statistics 3470 and Math 2568 |
| ECE 5463 | Introduction to Real Time Robotics Systems | 3 | Au, Sp | Math 2174 or (Math 2415 and 2568); and (Physics 1250, 1260, or 1270); and (CSE 1222, ENGR 1181, ENGR 1281H, or ENGR 1222) |

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| ECE 5466 | Embedded Computer Systems | 3 | Sp | ECE 5362 |
| ECE 5510 | Intro to Computational Electromagnetics | 3 | | ECE 3010 |
| ECE 5530 | Fund. of Semiconductors for Microelectronics and Photonics | 3 | Au | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5537 | Semiconductor Device Characterization and Modelling Lab | 4 | Sp | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5551 | State-Space Control Systems | 3 | Au | ECE 3050 and Statistics 3470 |
| ECE 5553 | Autonomy in Vehicles | 3 | Sp | ECE 3551 |
| ECE 5554 | Powertrain Control Systems | 3 | Sp | ECE 3551 |
| ECE 5561 | Intro to Cybersecurity | 3 | Au, Sp | Junior (rank 3) standing or above |
| ECE 5832 | Photovoltaics & Energy Convers. | 3 | Au | ECE 3030 |
| ECE 5833 | Organic and Printed Flexible Electronics | 3 | Sp | ECE 3030 |

ECE Course Topic Information

In ECE, the third digit of the course number indicates the subtopic:

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| xx0x: | Communication and Signal processing |
| xx1x: | Electromagnetics |
| xx2x: | Circuits/electronics |
| xx3x: | Semiconductors and optoelectronics |
| xx4x: | Power and energy |
| xx5x: | Control systems |
| xx6x: | Computers/networks |
| xx7x: | Other topics not listed above (e.g. entrepreneurship) |

Any course ending in a “7” is a lab, e.g. 3027 is the electronics lab.

Additionally, Electrical Engineering has a “math-based” side and a physics-based” side.

- Math based: Communication and Controls
- Physics based: Circuits, Semiconductors, and Electromagnetics. The physics-based courses use advanced math, but they are more focused on hardware.

General Education Requirement

A list of approved general education courses can be found at advising.engineering.osu.edu/current-students/curriculum/general-education