

Engineering Physics

Sample Curriculum for Nuclear 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
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 ___ Social and Behavioral Sciences GE 3 hr ___ GenEd 1201 ³ 1 hr
2	___ Physics 2300 (<i>Mechanics I</i>) 4 hr ___ Physics 2095 (<i>Physics Seminar</i>) 1 hr ___ CSE 1222 ² (<i>C++ Programming</i>) 3 hr ___ Math 2173 (<i>Eng Mathematics B</i>) 3 hr ___ Race, Ethnicity, Gender Diversity GE 3 hr ___ Literary, Visual and Performing Arts GE 3 hr	___ Physics 2301 (<i>Mechanics II</i>) 4 hr ___ Math 2174 ⁴ (<i>Differential Eq/Linear Algebra</i>) 3 hr ___ NE 4505 (<i>Intro to Nuclear Engr</i>) 3 hr ___ Physics 3700 (<i>Data Analysis Lab</i>) 3 hr ___ Historical and Cultural Studies GE 3 hr
3	___ Physics 5500 (<i>Quantum Mechanics</i>) 4 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ Targeted Elective ⁶ 3 hr ___ Citizenship Theme GE ⁷ 3 hr	___ Physics 5400 (<i>Electromagnetism</i>) 4 hr ___ Physics 4700 (<i>Electronics Lab</i>) 3 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ Race, Ethnicity, Gender Diversity GE 3 hr
4	___ Physics 5800 ⁸ (<i>Eng Phy Capstone I</i>) 3 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ Targeted Elective ⁶ 3 hr ___ Citizenship Theme GE ⁷ 3 hr ___ Student Choice Theme GE ⁷ 3 hr	___ Physics 5801 ⁸ (<i>Eng Phy Capstone II</i>) 3 hr ___ NE Elective 2 hr ___ NE Elective 3 hr ___ Targeted Elective ⁶ 3 hr ___ Physics Elective ⁵ 4 hr ___ Student Choice Theme GE ⁷ 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 Students can take CSE 1222, CSE 1223, CSE 1224, Astronomy 1221, or Engr 1281H as their programming course

³ GenEd 1201 must be taken within the first three semesters

⁴ Or (Math 2415 and Math 2568) or (Math 2255 and Math 2568) or Math 5520H can be completed in place of Math 2174.

⁵ Physics Elective options are Physics 3470, 5300, 5401H, 5501, 5600, 5680, and 5810

⁶ A list of Targeted Electives options is available at go.osu.edu/targeted-electives.

⁷ 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.

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 **Nuclear Engineering** (NE) 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

Nuclear Engineering Specialization

Required course (3 hours)

Course	Course title	Credits	Term	Prerequisites
NE 4505	Introduction to Nuclear Science and Engineering	3	Au, Sp	Math 2153 or above; and (Physics 1251, 1261, or 1271)

Electives courses (choose 24 hours)

Course	Course title	Credits	Term	Prerequisites
NE 4506	Undergraduate Nuclear Engineering Laboratory	3	Au	NE 4505
NE 4563	Nuclear Reactor Systems	3	Sp	NE 4505
NE 5001	Interactions of Radiation with Matter	3	Au	NE 4505
NE 5002	Reactor Physics	3	Au	NE 4505
NE 5003	Nuclear Reactor Systems and Analysis	3	Sp	NE 4505 and ME 3500
NE 5004	Materials in Nuclear Systems	3	Sp	Senior standing (rank 4)
NE 5606	Radiation Protection and Shielding	3	Sp	(Math 2153 or 2173) and (Physics 1250, 1260, or 1270)
NE 5610	Reactor Safety	3	Sp	NE 4505
NE 5735	Nuclear Power Plant Operations	3	Sp	NE 4505

NE 5742	Nuclear Instrumentation, Radiation Sensor and Detection	3	Sp	None
NE 5776	Nuclear Fuel Cycle and Radioactive Waste Management	3	Sp	NE 4505
ME 3500	Engineering Thermal Sciences	3	Au, Sp	(Math 2174, 2255, or 2415) and (Physics 1250, 1260, or 1270)

General Education Requirement

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