M.S.E. in Systems Engineering Requirements (for students starting Fall 2014 and later)

Students must complete 10 course units, following the requirements below. If a Master’s thesis is done, it will count for 2 course units (2 C.U. of ESE 597).

The four-part requirements are as follows:

A. Three (3) Required Courses
   - ESE 504  Introduction to Optimization Theory
   - ESE 540  Engineering Economics
   - ESE 603  Simulation Modeling and Analysis

B. Three (3) Area Electives from the Approved List of Courses*:
   - ENM 503  Probability (Strongly recommended if a student has not had an undergraduate course in probability)
   - ESE 500  Linear Systems Theory
   - ESE 502  Introduction to Spatial Analysis
   - ESE 505  Control of Systems
   - ESE 507  Introduction to Networks and Protocols
   - ESE 512 Dynamical Systems for Engineering and Biological Applications
   - ESE 544  Project Management
   - ESE 548 Transportation Planning Methods
   - ESE 550 Advanced Transportation Seminar
   - ESE 560 Sustainable Development of Water Resource Systems
   - ESE 567 Risk Analysis and Environmental Management
   - ESE 590 Systems Methodology
   - ESE 601 Hybrid Systems
   - ESE 605 Modern Convex Optimization
   - ESE 617 Non-Linear Control Theory
   - ESE 632 Random Process Models and Optimum Filtering
   - ESE 650 Learning in Robotics
   - ESE 680 Special Topics in ESE
   - ESE 597 Thesis Research (up to 2 course units for thesis option)
   - ESE 599 Independent Study (up to 1 course unit allowed towards degree)

C. One (1) Technical Elective:
   One course unit from the graduate offerings within ESE, CIS, MEAM, TCOM, CIT, EAS**, or ENM.

D. Three (3) Other Electives:
   Three course units from the graduate courses offered in SEAS, SAS***, or Wharton.

NOTES:

** Only the following EAS courses are allowed:  EAS 504, 510, 545, 546 and 595.

*** SAS course(s) need advisor and graduate group chair approval. They should have technical/scientific content and relevance to the student’s program.
1. **Thesis Option**: Students who would like to complete a thesis may take two (2) units of Thesis Research (ESE 597).

2. A maximum of **two CIT courses** are allowed for the MSE in SE degree.

3. A maximum of **one course unit of Independent Study** (ESE 599) is allowed.

4. A maximum of **two graduate-level course units may be transferred** from another school to apply toward the MSE degree. These two courses should not have been used in fulfillment of an undergraduate degree.

5. Full time Master’s degree students normally register for three courses per semester. Full-time status requires at least three courses per semester.

6. Students are required to maintain a 2.7 GPA to remain in good academic standing. A minimum GPA of 2.7 is required for graduation.

7. **Disallowed courses for any graduate degree in SEAS**: A reminder that no undergraduate level courses, including those in SEAS, may be taken for a graduate degree requirement. There are courses that appear at the graduate level that are being offered by other parts of the University that will **not** be approved for SEAS graduate degree requirements. These include courses being offered in specialized and professional training programs, such as the Organizational Dynamics Program, the Wharton Certificate Programs for Working Professionals, and the Wharton Evening School.

8. For further regulations, see the **ESE Graduate Student Handbook**: [http://www.ese.upenn.edu/grad/mse.html](http://www.ese.upenn.edu/grad/mse.html)
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Name __________________________ Advisor's Name: __________________________
E-mail Address ____________________ Telephone Number: ________________________

Graduate status (Circle One): Full-time Part-time
Your expected graduation date (mo./yr.): ____________________

Note: For a Masters Degree in ESE, 10 course units are required (No more than 1 independent study). Always check with your academic advisor if you have questions or to discuss any changes in your curriculum. For a list of available courses in ESE, check the current course timetable.

Please list your courses (PRINT)

Three (3) Courses of Required Core
ESE 504- Introduction to Optimization Theory
ESE 540- Engineering Economics
ESE 603-Simulation Modeling and Analysis

Three (3) additional courses from approved ESE course list
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One (1) SEAS course
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Three (3) Electives (SEAS, SAS or Wharton)
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