

Electrical Engineering

Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**
www.ndsu.edu/ece/ (<http://www.ndsu.edu/ece/>)
- **Credential Offered:**
B.S.E.E.
- **Sample Program Guide:**
catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/electrical-engineering/#planofstudytext (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/electrical-engineering/#planofstudytext>)

Major Requirements

Major: Electrical Engineering

Degree Type: B.S.E.E.

Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate: 126

University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 30 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.
6. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
7. Students presenting transfer credit must meet the NDSU residence credits and the minimum upper level credit. Of the 30 credits earned in residence, a minimum of 15 semester credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 semester credits must be in the student's curricula for their declared major.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2023-24/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section of this Bulletin.

University General Education Requirements

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Communication (C) | | 12 |
| ENGL 110 | College Composition I | |
| ENGL 120 | College Composition II | |
| COMM 110 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | |
| Upper Division Writing [†] | | |
| Quantitative Reasoning (R) [†] | | 3 |
| Science and Technology (S) [†] | | 10 |
| Humanities and Fine Arts (A) [†] | | 6 |
| Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) [†] | | 6 |
| Wellness (W) [†] | | 2 |
| Cultural Diversity (D) ^{**†} | | |
| Global Perspectives (G) ^{**†} | | |
| Total Credits | | 39 |

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May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

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General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.

- A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2023-24/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).

Major Requirements

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Electrical Engineering Core Requirements ¹ | | |
| ECE 111 | Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering | 3 |
| ECE 173 | Introduction to Computing ² | 4 |
| ECE 275 | Digital Design ² | 4 |
| ECE 311 | Circuit Analysis II | 4 |
| ECE 320 | Electronics I | 3 |
| ECE 321 | Electronics II | 2 |
| ECE 331 | Energy Conversion | 4 |
| ECE 341 | Random Processes | 3 |
| ECE 343 | Signals & Systems | 4 |
| ECE 351 | Applied Electromagnetics | 4 |
| ECE 376 | Embedded Systems | 4 |
| ECE 401 | Design I (capstone) | 1 |
| ECE 403 | Design II (capstone) | 2 |
| ECE 405 | Design III (capstone) | 3 |
| MATH Courses Required | | |
| MATH 129 | Basic Linear Algebra ² | 3 |
| MATH 165 | Calculus I (May satisfy general education category R) ² | 4 |
| MATH 166 | Calculus II ² | 4 |
| MATH 265 | Calculus III (w/ vectors) ² | 4 |
| MATH 266 | Introduction to Differential Equations ² | 3 |
| Other Courses Required | | |
| CHEM 121 | General Chemistry I (May satisfy general education category S) | 3 |
| EE 206 | Circuit Analysis I ² | 4 |
| ENGR 327 | Ethics, Engineering, and Technology | 3 |
| PHYS 251 | University Physics I (May satisfy general education category S) | 4 |
| PHYS 252 | University Physics II (May satisfy general education category S) | 4 |
| Select one of the following: (May satisfy general education category C) | | 3 |
| ENGL 320 | Business and Professional Writing | |
| ENGL 321 | Writing in the Technical Professions | |
| ENGL 324 | Writing in the Sciences | |
| ENGL 459 | Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal | |
| Select one of the following lab courses (May satisfy general education category S): | | 1 |
| CHEM 121L | General Chemistry I Laboratory | |
| PHYS 251L | University Physics I Laboratory | |
| PHYS 252L | University Physics II Laboratory | |
| ECE Electives | | |
| Select 9 credits of ECE 4XX level prefix electives. Includes the cross listed courses of ECE 427/IME 427; ECE 429/IME 429; ECE 411/PHYS 411; & ECE 411L/PHYS 411L (excluding 494 and 496). | | 9 |
| Tech Electives | | |
| Select 12 credits from the following: | | 12 |
| ABEN 456 | Biobased Energy | |
| BIOL 150 & 150L | General Biology I and General Biology I Laboratory | |
| BIOL 220 & 220L | Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory | |
| BIOL 221 & 221L | Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory | |

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| BIOL 315 & 315L | Genetics and Genetics Laboratory |
| CE 309 & CE 310 | Fluid Mechanics and Fluid Mechanics Laboratory |
| CE/ME 486 | Nanotechnology and Nanomaterials |
| CHEM 122 & 122L | General Chemistry II and General Chemistry II Laboratory |
| CHEM 341 & 341L | Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry I Laboratory |
| CHEM 342 & 342L | Organic Chemistry II and Organic Chemistry II Laboratory |
| CHEM 364 | Physical Chemistry I |
| CHEM 365 & CHEM 471 | Physical Chemistry II and Physical Chemistry Laboratory |
| CHEM 425 & CHEM 429 | Inorganic Chemistry I and Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory |
| CSCI 161 | Computer Science II |
| CSCI 222 | Discrete Mathematics |
| CSCI 336 | Theoretical Computer Science |
| CSCI 366 | Database Systems |
| CSCI 372 | Comparative Programming Languages |
| CSCI 426 | Introduction to Artificial Intelligence |
| CSCI 458 | Computer Graphics |
| CSCI 459 | Foundations of Computer Networks |
| CSCI 467 | Algorithm Analysis |
| CSCI 474 | Operating Systems Concepts |
| CSCI 477 | Object-Oriented Systems |
| ECE 374 | Computer Organization |
| ECE 494 | Individual Study (max. of 6 cr.) |
| ECE 4XX | Any ECE 400 level didactic course |
| ECE 496 | Field Experience (max. of 3 cr.) |
| ENGR 310 | Entrepreneurship for Engineers and Scientists |
| IME 440 | Engineering Economy |
| IME 456 | Program and Project Management |
| IME 461 | Quality Assurance and Control |
| MATH 270 | Introduction to Abstract Mathematics |
| MATH 420 | Abstract Algebra I |
| MATH 421 | Abstract Algebra II |
| MATH 429 | Topics in Linear Algebra |
| MATH 450 | Real Analysis I |
| MATH 451 | Real Analysis II |
| MATH 452 | Complex Analysis |
| MATH 480 | Applied Differential Equations |
| MATH 481 | Fourier Analysis |
| MATH 483 | Partial Differential Equations |
| MATH 488 | Numerical Analysis |
| ME 221 | Engineering Mechanics I |
| ME 222 | Engineering Mechanics II |
| ME 223 | Mechanics of Materials |
| ME 350 | Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer |
| ME 470 | Renewable Energy Technology |
| MICR 445 | Animal Cell Culture Techniques |
| PHYS 350 | Modern Physics |

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| PHYS 360 | Modern Physics II |
| PHYS 413 | Lasers for Scientists and Engineers |
| PHYS 415 | Elements of Photonics |
| PHYS 485 | Quantum Mechanics I |
| STAT 450 | Stochastic Processes |
| STAT 468 | Probability and Mathematical Statistics II |

Total Credits
106

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Students must complete all of the courses listed in the Electrical Engineering Core Requirements section with a 2.00 GPA.

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No grade less than a 'C' is accepted in these courses and before enrolling in ECE 3XX level prefix courses, excluding ECE 311.

Degree Requirements and Notes

- For students interested in pursuing one of the areas of specialization, lists of recommendations for specific electives are available from the ECE Department (<https://www.ndsu.edu/ece/>).