INFORMATICS

Collaborative International Programs

Collaborative International-Concurrent Degree Program with Taipei Tech

The purpose of this Collaborative-International Concurrent Degree (CICD) Program is to provide an opportunity for students in Taipei Tech's Master of Interaction Design program, or Taipei Tech's Master of Computer Science and Information Engineering program to receive training, participate in collaborative research, and, earn a Master of Science in Informatics from Penn State.

Under this program, students will commence studies at Taipei Tech and complete two (2) semesters, during which they will take any core courses/required credits for the Master of Interaction Design program or the Master of Computer Science and Information Engineering program. Upon successful completion of the first two semesters of study at Taipei Tech and meeting all Program and Penn State admissions requirements, Taipei Tech students participating in the program will be allowed to transfer six (6) graduate level equivalent credits from Taipei Tech to Penn State to be applied towards completion of a Master of Science in Informatics. Participants who successfully complete the Program will earn a Master of Science in Informatics from the Penn State Fox Graduate School. Each party will evaluate credits from the other Party and apply them toward their respective master's program in accordance with the terms and conditions of this MOA and the receiving Party's then-current policies regarding transfer credits.

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the J. Jeffrey and Ann Marie Fox Graduate School application for admission (https://gradschool.psu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/).

- Students must first be admitted to Taiepei Tech in either the Master of Interaction Design or Computer Science and Information Engineering program.
- Applicants must apply for admission to the program via the Fox Graduate School Application for Admission and must meet all admission requirements of the Fox Graduate School and the Master of Science in Informatics program.

    1. Online Penn State Fox Graduate School application for Master of Science in Informatics program by the 15th of January of the applicants first year at Taipei Tech
    2. Proof of English language proficiency by submitted TOEFL or IELTS scores and meeting the minimum scores required by the Fox Graduate School at Penn State
    3. Official academic record or coursework and transcripts
    4. Application fee

Advising

Students admitted through the Collaborative Program will be advised by a College of Information Sciences and Technology graduate adviser for program-specific matters. The Office of International Student and Scholar Advising (ISSA) will advise students on matters specific to the needs of international students.

Plan of Study

Upon admission to the program students will prepare a plan of study outlining the courses they will take while at Penn State.

Degree Requirements

To meet Penn State's requirements for a Collaborative International - Concurrent Graduate Degree Program, CSIE students in this program must complete a total of at least 26 credits at Taipei Tech and 24 credits at Penn State for a total of 50 credits. IXD students in this program must complete a total of 29 credits at Taipei Tech and 24 credits at Penn State for a total of 53 credits.

Penn State's Fox Graduate School is responsible for transferring credits from Taipei Tech to Penn State, and will provide an evaluation of the eligibility of courses to be transferred and credits pursuant to Penn State Fox Graduate School credit transfer policies. A maximum of six {6} may be eligible for transfer in order to allow participation by a Taipei Tech student; no more than six {6} eligible Taipei Tech credits may be transferred and counted toward the Penn State Master's degree.

Taipei Tech is responsible for transferring credits from Penn State to Taipei Tech in accordance with then-current credit transfer policies. A maximum of seven (7) Penn State credits may be transferred and counted towards a Taipei Tech Master's degree.

All students must have a separate culminating experience {e.g., thesis; scholarly paper; project; etc.} for each degree in each university, and credits related to the culminating experience {e.g., SUBJECT 5XX/6XX, THESIS RESEARCH} cannot be double-counted or transferred