ELECTRO-MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY, B.S. (ALTOONA)

Program Description

The Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology (B.S. EMET) degree program provides the basic undergraduate education required for a career as an electro-mechanical engineering technologist. The program emphasizes a breadth of knowledge in all fields of engineering technology related to typical, highly-automated manufacturing, production, or assembly plant processes. Basic coverage is provided in all major areas to technology involved in the operation and control of manufacturing and production processes, including instrumentation and monitoring methods, principles of machine design, automated control techniques, thermal and fluid sciences, computerized manufacturing systems, principles of electrical and electronic circuit operation, computer-aided drafting and design, economics of production, and statistical analysis and quality control.

The primary aim of the EMET program is to provide graduates with the knowledge and skills necessary to apply current methods and technology to the development, design, operation, and management of electro-mechanical systems, particularly in those industries where automated systems are prevalent.

The major is organized as a four-year baccalaureate program with the corresponding Penn State admission requirements. Graduates of an associate degree in either electrical or mechanical engineering technology from Penn State may re-enroll in the EMET program. The College of Engineering ENGR students may enroll through "Change of Major" procedures. Students from an engineering technology program at another institution or community college accredited by ETAC of ABET may transfer into the program with advanced standing.

What is Electro-Mechanical Engineering?

The Bachelor of Science degree in Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology responds to a growing demand for engineers with a broad range of technical skills. The program emphasizes knowledge in the field of technology related to the design, maintenance, and operation of electromechanical systems, essentially automation and robotics. These systems incorporate electronic, mechanical, instrumentation and control elements. The program provides students with hands-on experience with these elements, technical knowledge, and the soft skills needed to be successful in the field of engineering. In this curriculum, students receive early exposure to technology by scheduling technical courses in the major. A laboratory component that promotes the understanding of the subject matter through the experiential application of theory accompanies most technical courses. This program culminates with a senior capstone project in which students work together in a team to design and implement an engineering project from initial proposal through product demonstration.

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You are interested in math and science but prefer spending time applying your skills in a laboratory or field setting as opposed to studying the theory behind these subjects in a classroom setting. If you like to take things apart, to see how they work, this may be for you. There is a greater emphasis on engineering applications while building an understanding of scientific theory.