INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING, B.S. (BEHREND)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Erie

Program Educational Objectives

We expect our graduates to:

1. Participate in and lead cross-functional teams, designing, implementing and improving processes and systems in the manufacturing, service, or government sectors;
2. Work effectively in managerial and leadership positions;
3. Work and communicate effectively with internal and external team members in the global environment; and
4. Engage in continuous learning through varied work assignments, graduate school, professional training programs, and independent study.

Program Outcomes

The following outcomes are included in the courses taught in the program:

1. Management and Information Systems for Industrial Engineering: apply time value of money to make financial decisions and understand cost-accounting principles; understand probability concepts applicable to solve engineering problems; including reliability issues; conduct tests of hypotheses, create regression models and understand and apply statistical quality control methods such as process capability and control charts; formulate, solve and analyze real problems using Markov chains, network models, dynamic programming, queuing theory and inventory models; create simulation models of manufacturing and service systems and analyze simulation output; and gain an in-depth knowledge of implementation-related issues and theoretical aspects of database and Web-based operations related to industrial engineering.

2. Manufacturing Engineering: understand information contained in typical specifications and methods of product verification and conformance to specifications; and program flexible manufacturing equipment and system controllers; design logical manufacturing layouts and implement contemporary systems issues.

3. Human Factors: analyze and design both the job and the work site in a cost-effective manner, as well as measure the resulting output; understand and apply cognitive systems engineering: identify visual, auditory, cognitive, perceptual and environmental aspects of human performance, perform task analysis and evaluate human-computer interfaces; and perform work measurement, develop an MTM analysis and carry out a work sampling study.

4. General: present engineering study results in technical reports and in oral presentations, demonstrate life-long learning by synthesizing information from several sources, work effectively in groups on case studies and projects, demonstrate knowledge of contemporary issues, understand professional and ethical responsibility and the impact of engineering decisions in a global and societal context; and design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability and sustainability.