**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, B.S. (BEHREND)**

**Begin Campus:** Any Penn State Campus  
**End Campus:** Erie

### Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2022-23 academic year. To access previous years’ suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (Note: the archive only contains suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin).

#### Mechanical Engineering, B.S. at Erie Campus

The course series listed below provides only one of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an Academic Requirements or What If report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

- **First Year**
  - **Fall**
    - CHEM 110\(^*\)\(^†\)  
    - CHEM 111\(^*\)\(^6\) \(3\) CMPS 200\(^†\)  
    - EDSGN 100\(^*\)\(^3\)\(^,5\)  
    - ENGL 15 or 30H  
    - MATH 140  
    - General Education Course (GA/GH/GS)  
    - **Credits:** 17
  - **Spring**
    - CHEM 112  
    - ENGL 202C  
    - MATH 251  
    - EMCH 211  
    - General Education Course (GA/GH/GS)  
    - **Credits:** 16

- **Second Year**
  - **Fall**
    - EMCH 211\(^*\)  
    - MATH 230  
    - MATH 251\(^*\)  
    - PHYS 212\(^*\)  
    - General Education Course (GHW)  
    - **Credits:** 16.5
  - **Spring**
    - Enric 1.5 PHY 214\(^*\)\(^6\)  
    - General Education Course (GA/GH/GS)  
    - **Credits:** 17

- **Third Year**
  - **Fall**
    - ENGL 202C\(^†\)  
    - ME 320\(^*\)  
    - ME 345W\(^*\)\(^4\)  
    - ME 349\(^*\)  
    - ME 380\(^*\)\(^7\)  
    - **Credits:** 16
  - **Spring**
    - ME 410\(^*\)  
    - MATSE 259\(^*\)\(^7\)  
    - **Credits:** 16

- **Fourth Year**
  - **Fall**
    - ME 448\(^*\)\(^1\)  
    - ME 468\(^*\)  
    - Lab Elective (300, 400-Level)\(^*\)  
    - Program Elective (School Approved List)\(^*\)  
    - Program Elective (School Approved List)\(^*\)  
    - General Education Course (GA/GH/GS)  
    - **Credits:** 16
  - **Spring**
    - ME 449\(^*\)\(^2\)  
    - Program Elective (School Approved List)\(^*\)  
    - Program Elective (School Approved List)\(^*\)  
    - General Education Course (GA/GH/GS)  
    - **Credits:** 16.5

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**Total Credits 131**

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major  
† Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education  
‡ Course is an Entrance to Major requirement  
‡ Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

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**University Requirements and General Education Notes:**

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy University Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

GWS, GQ, GH, GN, GA, GH, and GS are abbreviations used to identify General Education program courses. General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ) and Knowledge Domains (GH, GN, GA, GH, GS, and Integrative Studies). Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of ‘C’ or better.

Integrative Studies courses are required for the General Education program. N is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate an Inter-Domain course and Z is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate a Linked course.

**School-Approved Electives for Mechanical Engineering:** This elective list is subject to change.

Mechanical Engineering students at Behrend are required to take four 3-credit courses and one 1-credit lab (13 total credits) of technical electives. The courses must be selected from one of the following two thematic areas:

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Technical

Take one Lab Course:

- ME 308 Fluid Flow and Heat Transfer Laboratory
- ME 424 Additive Manufacturing Lab
- ME 465 Introduction to Manufacturing Laboratory
- ME 492 Dynamics and Vibration Lab

Take two courses from Group 1:

- EMCH 471 Engineering Composite Materials
- ME 370 Vibration of Mechanical Systems
- ME 401 Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
- ME 408 Energy Systems
- ME 428 Applied Computational Fluid Dynamics
- ME 467 Applied Finite Element Analysis
- ME 469 Metallic Manufacturing Processes
- ME 491 Bioengineering Applications of Mechanical Engineering

Take one course from Group 2:

- Any course in Group 1
- BME 406 Medical Imaging
- IE 405 Deterministic Models in Operations Research
- IE 470 Manufacturing System Design and Analysis
- MATH 412 Fourier Series and Partial Differential Equations
- MATH 449 Applied Ordinary Differential Equations
- MATH 455 Introduction to Numerical Analysis I
- MATH 456 Introduction to Numerical Analysis II
- MATH 482 Mathematical Methods of Operations Research
- PHYS 400 Intermediate Electricity and Magnetism
- PHYS 419 Theoretical Mechanics
- PHYS 458 Intermediate Optics
- STAT 414 Introduction to Probability Theory

Take one course from Group 3:

- Any course in Group 1 or 2
- IE 302 Engineering Economy
- ME 494 Research Project*
- ME 495 Internship* (2 rotations required)
- ME 496 Independent Studies*
- ME 497 Special Topics*
- MET 457 Lean Manufacturing
- MGMT 409 Project Management for Engineers
- PSYCH 444 Engineering Psychology (fall, NOTE: requires PSYCH 100)
- QC 450 Quality Control and Quality Improvement

*Selection of ME 494-ME 497 courses require written approval of the program coordinator.

Advising Notes:

- Only students who have gone through the entrance-to-major process and have been accepted into this major may register for junior and senior-level ME courses.

Engineering Management

Take one Lab Course:

- ME 308 Fluid Flow and Heat Transfer Laboratory
- ME 424 Additive Manufacturing Lab