

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, B.S. (ENGINEERING)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Degree Requirements

For the Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, a minimum of 127 credits is required:

Requirement	Credits
General Education	45
Requirements for the Major	109-111

27 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 9 credits of GN courses; 6 credits of GQ courses; 3 credits of GS courses; 9 credits of GWS courses. The remaining 18 General Education credits must be distinct from the Requirements for the Major.

Requirements for the Major

To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (<https://senate.psu.edu/students/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/>).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
EE 200	Design Tools	3
EE 300W	Design Process	3
EE 403W	Capstone Design	3
MATH 220	Matrices	2-3
PHYS 214	General Physics: Wave Motion and Quantum Physics	2

Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better

CHEM 110	Chemical Principles I	3
EDSGN 100	Cornerstone Engineering Design	3
EE 210	Circuits and Devices	4
EE 310	Electronic Circuit Design I	4
EE 330	Engineering Electromagnetics	4
EE 340	Introduction to Nanoelectronics	4
EE 350	Continuous-Time Linear Systems	4
ENGL 202C	Effective Writing: Technical Writing	3
MATH 140	Calculus With Analytic Geometry I	4
MATH 141	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II	4
PHYS 211	General Physics: Mechanics	4
PHYS 212	General Physics: Electricity and Magnetism	4

Additional Courses

Select 1 credit of First-Year Seminar		1
CMPSC 122	Intermediate Programming	3
or CMPSC 132	Programming and Computation II: Data Structures	
ECON 102	Introductory Microeconomic Analysis and Policy	3
or ECON 104	Introductory Macroeconomic Analysis and Policy	

MATH 231 & MATH 232	Calculus of Several Variables and Integral Vector Calculus	4
or MATH 230	Calculus and Vector Analysis	

Select 3 credits of the following: 3

IE 424	Process Quality Engineering	
STAT 401	Experimental Methods	
STAT/MATH 414	Introduction to Probability Theory	
STAT/MATH 418	Introduction to Probability and Stochastic Processes for Engineering	

Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better

CAS 100A	Effective Speech	3
or CAS 100B	Effective Speech	
or ENGL 138T	Rhetoric and Civic Life II	

CMPEN 271 & CMPEN 275	Introduction to Digital Systems and Digital Design Laboratory ¹	4
or CMPEN 270	Digital Design: Theory and Practice	

CMPSC 121	Introduction to Programming Techniques	3
or CMPSC 131	Programming and Computation I: Fundamentals	

ENGL 15	Rhetoric and Composition	3
or ENGL 30H	Honors Rhetoric and Composition	
or ENGL 137H	Rhetoric and Civic Life I	

MATH 250	Ordinary Differential Equations	3-4
or MATH 251	Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations	

Supporting Courses and Related Areas

Select 6 credits from program-approved list of 300-level courses		6
Select 3 credits from program-approved lists of 300-level or 400-level courses		3
Select 6 credits from program-approved list of 400-level courses		6
Select 6 additional credits, which may include up to 6 credits of ROTC, up to 6 co-op credits, and others from a program-approved list		6

¹ CMPEN 275 does not require a grade of C or better.

General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/>) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required and Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- **Quantification (GQ):** 6 credits
- **Writing and Speaking (GWS):** 9 credits

Breadth in the Knowledge Domains (Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- **Arts (GA):** 3 credits
- **Health and Wellness (GHW):** 3 credits
- **Humanities (GH):** 3 credits
- **Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS):** 3 credits
- **Natural Sciences (GN):** 3 credits

Integrative Studies

- **Inter-Domain Courses (Inter-Domain):** 6 credits

Exploration

- **GN**, may be completed with Inter-Domain courses: 3 credits
- **GA, GH, GN, GS, Inter-Domain courses.** This may include 3 credits of World Language course work beyond the 12th credit level or the requirements for the student's degree program, whichever is higher: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements

First Year Engagement

All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement

6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements

- United States Cultures: 3 credits
- International Cultures: 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum

3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits

A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work

Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition

The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (<https://senate.psu.edu/students/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/>)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.