MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY, A.ENGT. (ENGINEERING)

**Begin Campus:** DuBois, York

**End Campus:** DuBois, York

**Program Description**
This major helps graduates prepare for technical positions in manufacturing, machine and tool design, computer drafting and design, computer integrated manufacturing, materials selection and processes, technical sales, and other related industries in mechanical applications. The primary objective of the program is to provide a broad foundation in mechanical systems and applications; computer systems in drafting (CAD), manufacturing (CAM), and automation and robotics (CIM); production and product design; mechanics, dynamics, and strength of materials.

Graduates of this major may qualify for admission to the baccalaureate degree majors in Mechanical Engineering Technology and Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology programs at Penn State Harrisburg; the Mechanical Engineering Technology and the Plastics Engineering Technology programs at Penn State Erie, the Behrend College; or the baccalaureate degree major in Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology offered at Penn State Altoona, Penn State Berks, Penn State New Kensington, or Penn State York. Two tracks are available to streamline the transition to these baccalaureate degree programs. A general track is provided for students who do not plan to continue their engineering technology education at the baccalaureate level.

**What is Mechanical Engineering Technology?**
Mechanical engineering technology is the understanding of how products and machinery work and how they are designed, made, and used.

**You Might Like This Program If...**
- You are interested in computer-aided drafting (CAD) and computer-aided manufacturing.
- You enjoy physics, math and statistics.
- You have a passion for robotics and automation.
- You have an interest in programming and data acquisition.

**Entrance to Major**
Students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA to change to this Associate degree after admission to the University.

**Degree Requirements**
For the Associate in Engineering Technology degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology, a minimum of 65 credits is required:

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12-15 of the 21 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 3 credits of GN courses; 3 credits of GQ courses; 6 credits of GWS courses, 0-3 credits of GH or GS.

**Requirements for the Major**
A First-Year Seminar is required for students at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College.

**Code** | **Title** | **Credits**
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CAS 100 | Effective Speech | 3
IET 215 | Production Design | 2
IET 216 | Production Design Laboratory | 2
MET 213 | Strength and Properties of Materials | 3
MET 214 | Strength and Properties of Materials Laboratory | 1
MET 210W | Machine Design | 3

**Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
IET 101 | Manufacturing Materials, Processes, and Laboratory | 3
MET 111 | Mechanics for Technology: Statics | 3
MET 206 | Dynamics | 3

**Additional Courses**
ENGL 15 | Rhetoric and Composition | 3
or ENGL 30H | Honors Rhetoric and Composition | 3
Select 5-6 credits of the following:
MATH 22 & MATH 26 | College Algebra With Analytic Geometry and Applications II and Plane Trigonometry and Applications of Trigonometry | 5-6
MATH 40 | Algebra, Trigonometry, and Analytic Geometry | 1,2
MATH 81 & MATH 82 | Technical Mathematics I and Technical Mathematics II | 1,2
MATH 82 | Technical Mathematics II | 1,2
Select 3-4 credits of the following:
PHYS 150 | Technical Physics I | 3-4
PHYS 211 | General Physics: Mechanics | 3-4
PHYS 250 | Introductory Physics I | 3-4
Select 3-4 credits of the following:
PHYS 151 | Technical Physics II | 3-4
PHYS 212 | General Physics: Electricity and Magnetism | 3-4
PHYS 251 | Introductory Physics II | 3-4
Select at least 19-24 credits from one of the following three tracks: 19-24
**General Track**
EDSGN 100 | Cornerstone Engineering Design | 3-4
EDSGN 110 or EGT 114 | Spatial Analysis in Engineering Design | 3-4
EET 105 | Electrical Systems | 3-4
MET 107 | Computer Applications for Technologists | 3-4
STS 200 or STS 233 or STS 245 | Critical Issues in Science, Technology, and Society | 3-4
Select at least 6 credits from the approved supporting course list for this track

Baccalaureate Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology (EMET) Track
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 associate degree 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/associate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

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The Associate Mechanical Engineering Technology program prepares students with technical and professional skills for the professional practice. Due to their experience in our program, within few years of graduation, we expect our graduates to have the ability to:

1. Safely practice in the areas of applied design, manufacturing, testing, evaluation, technical sales, or 2D and 3D modeling.
2. Collaborate effectively in project team activities through recognizing the global, societal, and ethical contexts of their work.
3. Work collaboratively in multi-disciplinary teams and assume an increasing level of responsibility and leadership within their organizations.
4. Demonstrate troubleshooting skills by following protocols and using technical literature.

Student Outcomes

Student outcomes describe what students are expected to know and be able to do by the time of graduation. The Associate Mechanical Engineering Technology program is designed to enable students to:

1. Apply knowledge, techniques, skills, and modern tools of mathematics, science, engineering, and technology to solve well-defined engineering problems appropriate to the discipline.
2. Design solutions for well-defined technical problems and assist with the engineering design of systems, components, or processes appropriate to the discipline.
3. Apply written, oral, and graphical communication in well-defined technical and non-technical environments; and an ability to identify and use appropriate technical literature.
4. Conduct standard tests, measurements, and experiments and to analyze and interpret the results.
5. Function effectively as a member or leader on a technical team.

**Academic Advising**

The objectives of the university’s academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in- and out-of-class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee’s unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/)

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**Suggested Academic Plan**

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2023-24 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 Technology, A.ENGT. Ending at DuBois Campus**

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**Total Credits 65-70**

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†† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

1 MATH 26 and MATH 22 may be taken concurrently  
2 Students successfully completing MATH 140 and subsequently MATH 141 may choose to take the ENCH 211, ENCH 212 and ENCH 213 sequence of courses for Statics (MET 111), Dynamics (MET 206), and Strengths/Properties of Materials (MET 213); and similarly, PHYS 211 and PHYS 212 in place of (PHYS 150/PHYS 250) and (PHYS 151/PHYS 251), respectively.  
3 A minimum of 6 credits of approved Technical Elective Credits are required in order to reach the minimum major graduation requirement of 65 credits.

**University Requirements and General Education Notes:**

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity 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.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ) and Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Program Notes
Approved Technical Elective Courses include the following courses:
COURSE LIST: AET 296, 297; ACCTG 211; BA 241, 242, 243; CHEM 101, 110, 111, 112; CMPET 117, 120; CMPSC 101, 121, 122, 200, 201; EDSGN 210, 296, 297; EET 100, 114, 118, 275; EGT 201; EMET 100, 350, 430; IET 105, 109, 296, 297, 333; IST 110, 210, 220, 250, 402; MATH 083, 140, 141, 210; ME 300; MET 281, 296, 297, 306, 320, 330, 341; MGMT 301; MIS 204; PLET 205; SCM 200; STAT 200; STS 233; SUR 111.

Additional courses may be acceptable via academic petition, must discuss with your academic adviser and/or program coordinator.

Academic Advising Notes
A student's career/graduate school plans should be considered in developing an individual academic plan. Be sure to consult an adviser in this department when scheduling courses.
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¹ 6 credits of Technical Electives are required if student enrolled in either PHYS 250 or PHYS 251, otherwise 7 credits of Technical Electives are required to reach the minimum major requirement of 65 credits.

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**Program Notes**

Technical electives include the following courses:

- CHEM 101, 110, 111
- CMPET 117, 120
- CMPSC 101, 121, 201
- EET 114, 275
- EGT 201
- EMET 326, 350, 430
- IET 333
- IST 402
- MATH 140
- MGMT 301, MKTG 301, STAT 200

**Career Paths**

Graduates from the mechanical engineering technology program work in a variety of industries such as automotive, aeronautical, petroleum, defense, medical, power generation, transportation, and materials.

**Accreditation**


**Professional Licensure/Certification**

Many U.S. states and territories require professional licensure/certification to be employed. If you plan to pursue employment in a licensed profession after completing this program, please visit the Professional Licensure/Certification Disclosures by State (https://www.psu.edu/state-licensure-disclosures/) interactive map.

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