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The abbreviations “ECE” and “E&C-ENG” are equivalent. They are both abbreviations of “Electrical and Computer Engineering”. “ECE” tends to be used in departmental publications and “E&C-ENG” is used on SPIRE and on official schedules and transcripts.

It is important that the Undergraduate Catalog posted on SPIRE (https://spire.umass.edu) be consulted for course descriptions and course requisites. It is the student’s responsibility to drop any course for which she or he does not have all of the published requisites.

**Note 1 • ENGIN 112, Intro. to ECE**

In the Fall semester, choose one of the following:

- ENGIN 110: Intro. to Chemical Engineering I
- ENGIN 111: Intro. to Civil & Environmental Engineering I
- ENGIN 112: Intro. to Electrical & Computer Engineering I
- ENGIN 113: Intro. to Mechanical & Industrial Engineering I

A grade of C or better in one of the ENGIN 11x courses is required for all engineering majors. ENGIN 112 is strongly recommended for CSE and EE majors.

**Note 2 • Social World Electives / Diversity Requirements**

Choose four Social World Electives (four credits each) consisting of:

1. One Literature or Art elective: AL or AT
2. One Historical Studies elective: HS
3. One Social and Behavioral elective: SB
4. One more elective: AL, AT, SB, I or SI

Also, choose two courses to meet the Social & Cultural Diversity requirement: one course focusing on United States diversity (U, ALU, ATU, HSU, IU, SBG, or SIU) and one course focusing on Global diversity (G, ALG, ATG, HSG, IG, SBG, or SIG). Most students satisfy the Diversity requirement with two of their four Social World electives. In other words, with careful planning, four courses may be used to satisfy all six graduation requirements.

**Note 3 • Freshman Seminar**

All engineering students are required to enroll in a 1-credit Freshman Seminar in their first semester.

**Note 4 • Biological Sciences Elective**

The Biological Sciences Elective can be fulfilled with any course that satisfies the University’s Biological Sciences (BS) General Education requirement.

**Note 5 • Science Elective**

The Science Elective is required for all CSE and EE majors. There are currently five approved courses, as listed below:

- BIO 110: Intro. Biology for Science Majors (2nd sem) 4 cr
- BIO 151: Intro. Biology I (both sem) 4 cr
- CHEM 111: Gen. Chemistry for Science Majors (both sem) 4 cr
- CHEM 121H: Hon. Gen. Chem. for Science Maj. (1st sem) 4 cr
- PHYSICS 287: Physics III – Waves & Thermo. (1st sem) 3 cr

**Note 6 • Alternative Electives**

To propose a different course to satisfy either the Science Elective or EE Elective, fill out the Alternative Elective Request Form, and take it to the Undergraduate Programs Office. The form is online at: http://ece.umass.edu/undergraduate-students/forms-documents.

**Note 7 • EE Electives**

Choose four EE Electives. The electives must include at least two 500-level courses (or above) that may not be used to satisfy the requirements for any other major. Each is 3 credits unless otherwise indicated.

- ECE 354: Computer Systems Lab II (2nd sem) 4 cr
- ECE 373: Software Intensive Engineering (1st sem) 4 cr
- ECE 374: Computer Networks & the Internet (2nd sem)
- ECE 544: Trustworthy Computing (1st sem)
- ECE 558: Intro. to VLSI Design (1st sem) 4 cr
- ECE 559: VLSI Design Project (2nd sem)
- ECE 563: Intro. to Comm. & Signal Processing (1st sem)
- ECE 564: Communication Systems (2nd sem) 4 cr
- ECE 565: Digital Signal Processing (2nd sem) 4 cr
- ECE 568: Introduction to Computer Architecture (1st sem)
- ECE 570: System Software Design (2nd sem)
- ECE 571: Microelectronic Fabrication (2nd sem) 4 cr
- ECE 572: Optoelectronics (1st sem)
- ECE 575: Intro. to Analog IC Design (1st sem)
- ECE 580: Feedback Control Systems (1st sem) 4 cr
- ECE 584: Microwave Engineering I (1st sem) 4 cr
- ECE 585: Microwave Engineering II (2nd sem)

Consult SPIRE to check course offerings and availability.

**Note 8 • Five-Year B.S. / M.S. in ECE**

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering offers a five-year program through which students can obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical or Computer Systems Engineering as well as a Master of Science degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering within a five-year time frame. During the senior year, two graduate-level courses are taken that are later transferred into the M.S. program. More information is posted at http://ece.umass.edu/ece/five-year-program.

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