ECpE Course Lists (Last revised: 8/2020)

To satisfy the qualifying exam requirements, a Ph.D. student needs to take at least two courses from an academic area, and two courses from its associated skills courses selected according to the instructions below.

Course is offered S21 WWW only
Course is offered S21 face to face only
Course is offered S21 with choice of WWW or face to face and/or hybrid
Course is offered S21 and delivery is hybrid (online and face to face instruction).

Computer Engineering (CprE) Majors

Computing and Networking Systems

Academic Area Courses:

CprE 525, CprE 526, CprE 541, CprE 542, CprE 543, CprE 545, CprE 546, CprE 548, CprE 550, CprE 558, CprE 563, CprE 581, CprE 583, CprE 584, CprE 588, CprE 681

Note: in the CNS area, if a course listed above is also on the course lists of other academic areas, it can be used as an outside area course on the POS.

General Skills Courses:

Choose at least two, and they must be from different groups:

- Group 1: (probability, statistics, etc.) EE 523, Stat 483/583, Stat 500, Stat 512, Stat 588
- Group 2: (algorithms, modeling, etc.) CprE 528, CprE 582, ComS 511
- Group 3: (optimization, graph theory, etc.) EE 571, IE 510, IE 519, IE 534
- Group 4: (machine learning) COM S 578, EE 525, EE 526

Secure and Reliable Computing

Academic Area Courses:

CprE 530, CprE 531, CprE 532, CprE 534, CprE 536, CprE 537, CprE 538, CprE 539, CprE 560, CprE 562X, CprE 631, CprE 632

General Skills Courses:


Software Systems

Academic Area Courses:

CprE 414x, CprE 419, CprE 550, CprE 554, CprE 556, CprE 557, CprE 558, CprE 563X, SE 421
General Skills Courses:

- CprE 528, CprE 582, EE 525, EE 571, ComS 511, ComS 512, ComS 531, ComS 535, ComS 572, ComS 573, IE 510, IE 519, IE 534, Math 547, Math 567

**VLSI (EE or CprE majors)**

Academic Area Courses:

- CprE/EE 435, CprE/EE 465, EE 501, CprE/EE 503X, EE 505, EE 506, EE 507, EE 508, CprE/EE 509X, EE 514, CprE 564, CprE 566

General Skills Courses:

Any 400/500 level courses in algorithms, machine learning, optimization, Math, statistics, controls, signal processing, and security that are intended for majors and approved by the faculty advisor. ECpE courses must be at 500 level.

*Electrical Engineering (EE) Majors*

**Bioengineering**

Academic Area Courses:

- CprE 567, CprE 570, EE 538, BME/EE 450X, EE 530M, PHYS 532, PHYS 461, BIOL 444

General Skills Courses:

Choose at least two, and they must be from different groups:
- Group 1: (Statistics, Probability, Optimization, Algorithms) Stat 471/571, Stat 587, EE 523, EE 571, ComS 511
- Group 2: (Materials and Devices) EE 530, EE 532, EE 535, EE 536, EE 519
- Group 3: (EM) EE 512, EE 514, EE 517, EE 518
- Group 4: (Circuits and VLSI) EE 501, EE 505, EE 507, EE 509

**Communications and Signal Processing**

Academic Area Courses:

- EE 521, EE 522X, EE 524, EE 526, EE 527, CprE/EE 529, EE 621, EE 622

General Skills Courses:

Choose at least two, and they must be from different groups:
- Group 1: (Optimization) EE 571, CS 578X, IE 631, Math 565
- Group 2: (Linear Algebra) Math 507, Math 510
- Group 3 (Probability, Random Processes) EE 523, Stat 543, Stat 641, Stat 642
- Group 4 (Algorithms, Discrete Mathematics) CprE 528, COM S 511, Math 607

**Electric Power and Energy Systems**

Academic Area Courses:

- CprE 539, EE 552, EE 553, EE 554, EE 555, EE 559, EE 653
General Skills Courses:

Electromagnetics, Microwave, and Nondestructive Evaluation

Academic Area Courses:
EE 510, EE 511, EE 512, EE 513, EE 514, EE 516, EE 517, EE 518, EE 519, EE 538, EE 539/537X, EE 588, EM 518, EM 550

General Skills Courses:

Microelectronics and Photonics

Academic Area Courses:
EE 530M, EE 531X, EE 532, EE 535, EE 536, EE 538, EE 562

General Skills Courses:
Choose one from each group:
- Group 1: Phys 480, Phys 481, Phys 511, MSE 510, MSE 552
- Group 2: Math 426, Math 481, Stat 471/571, Stat 587

Systems and Controls

Academic Area Courses:
EE 571, EE 574, EE 575, EE 576, EE 577, EE 578, EE590B Controls Sp. topics
(Note: only EE 571, EE 576, and EE 577 can be used for Ph.D. Qualifying Exams.)

General Skills Courses:
Choose at least two from different groups:
- Group 1: (Machine Learning) EE 526X, ME 592X
- Group 2: (Stochastics) EE 523, EE 527, EE 573, Math 554
- Group 3: (Systems) EE 565, EE 566, Math 557
- Group 4: (Formal Methods) ComS 507X, ComS 512, ComS 513
- Group 5: (Discrete Math/Computing) Math 547, ComS 511, ComS 531