Graduate Admission Guidelines

While there are no minimum test scores or GPA required for admission, most successful candidates meet the following criteria. We recommend that a lower score in one area be balanced by higher scores in another area.

Ph.D. Admission

- A Bachelor of Science (B.S.) or Master of Science (M.S.) degree in electrical or computer engineering or closely related field.
- GPA ≥ 3.3/4.0.
- Recommended GRE scores: Verbal of 151, Quantitative of 159, and Analytical Writing of 4.0.
- TOEFL of 92 or IELTS of 7 (Required if applicant does not have a degree from a US institution).
- Three letters of recommendation on official letterhead that includes the mailing address, phone number, and email address of the recommender.

MSEE Admission

- A Bachelor of Science degree in electrical or computer engineering or closely related field.
- GPA ≥ 3.0/4.0 (or equivalent) for the last 60 hours of the undergraduate degree and on any coursework completed since graduation1.
- Recommended GRE scores: Verbal of 150, Quantitative of 159, Analytical Writing of 4.0.
- TOEFL of 92 or IELTS of 7 (Required if applicant does not have a degree from a US institution).
- Three letters of recommendation on official letterhead that includes the mailing address, phone number, and email of the recommender.
Students with a grade point average between 2.6 and 3.0 and with high GRE scores will be considered for conditional admission, but must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States to qualify. Conditionally admitted students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.0 on the first 12 semester hours of graduate work after enrolled at the University of Houston. These courses must count towards the degree and must be ECE courses. Once the condition has been met, the status can be changed through a general petition.