THE ACCELERATED B.S. / GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM IN 
ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

DESCRIPTION
The accelerated B.S./graduate degree program is open to qualified undergraduate engineering students desiring to continue their education at the graduate level immediately upon completion of the B.S. degree. This program is intended for students seeking a graduate education while ensuring that the timeframe to graduation is optimal. Accepted students take up to six graduate credit hours that are applied to both the bachelor’s and graduate degrees. Students may pursue either thesis or non-thesis Master’s degree options, or the Ph.D. degree. The B.S. degree will be conferred upon completion of the undergraduate curriculum requirements with appropriate undergraduate/graduate course substitutions. The graduate degree shall be awarded based upon existing requirements for the graduate degree.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION
Interested students should submit an “Accelerated B.S./Graduate Program” application form, along with a general petition for course substitution, and one letter of recommendation from a faculty member to the ECE Undergraduate Advisor. Minimum eligibility requirements are:

- Junior, or Senior standing and 30 semester hours of engineering course work completed;
- 3.20 grade point average over all UH course work;
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The complete application package must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies for the B.S.-granting department (which may not be ECE), and the ECE Director of Graduate Studies.

GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN AS AN UNDERGRADUATE
The graduate courses must be selected from the 6000-level offerings of the Department of ECE. Students should be approved for the program by the Department of ECE prior to enrollment in the graduate courses. The Director of Undergraduate Studies for the B.S.-granting department and the ECE Director of Graduate Studies must both approve the selection of the graduate courses, so students should discuss their selection with both of them before applying. The 6000-level courses should provide a good substitution for the undergraduate courses required in the undergraduate program. For students in the ECE undergraduate program, the 6000-level courses will be substituted for two of the ECE electives that are required in the undergraduate curriculum.

ADMISSION TO THE GRADUATE PROGRAM
Acceptance into the Accelerated Program does not constitute automatic admission to graduate school. Completion of the B.S. degree and the standard admission requirements for each graduate degree program apply. Admission is based on the GPA of the last 60 hours of relevant course work, the score on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), letters of recommendation and the student’s performance in the dual-credit courses. Qualified graduate applicants are considered for research or teaching assistantships and fellowships available through the department and the university.

GRANTING OF DEGREES
The B.S. degree will be conferred upon completion of the undergraduate curriculum requirements with appropriate undergraduate/graduate course substitutions. The Graduate degree shall be awarded based upon existing requirements: completion of courses with satisfactory grades and successful defense of the thesis or dissertation as required.
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THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

APPLICATION

Date: ______________________

Last Name: ______________________  First Name: ______________________

Student Number: ______________________

Expected Graduation semester: ______________________

UH Email address: ______________________  Phone: ______________________

- Indicate which 6000-level graduate courses you want to substitute for undergraduate elective courses:

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- Attach one letter of recommendation from a faculty member in the Cullen College of Engineering. The letter should address your capacity for graduate study.
- Attach a general petition for course substitutions requested.

Note: Your GPA in your major and your overall GPA must both be 3.20 or above at the time the first 6000-level course is taken.

ELIGIBILITY (To be completed by the Undergraduate Advisor)

Junior or Senior standing:  Hours of engineering course work completed:

Yes  No  ______________________

GPA over all UH course work:  GPA in undergraduate major:

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Director of Undergraduate Studies for the B.S.-granting department:

Approve  Disapprove  Signature: ______________________  Date: _______________

ECE Director of Graduate Studies:

Approve  Disapprove  Signature: ______________________  Date: _______________