ACCELERATED MASTER'S PROGRAM IN ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

DESCRIPTION
The Accelerated Master's Program is open to qualified undergraduate engineering students desiring to continue their education at the graduate level immediately upon completion of their B.S. degree. This program is intended for students seeking a graduate education while ensuring that the time-frame to graduation is optimal. Accepted students are allowed 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 PACKET
Application packet must include the following documents to the ECE department:

- “Accelerated Master's Program” application form.
- A general petition for each course substitution (EX: ECE 63XX substitutes ECE Elective)
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member.

Minimum eligibility requirements to apply:

- Junior, or Senior standing and 30 semester hours of engineering course work completed.
- 3.20 Cumulative and Major GPA

The application packet requires approval from the ECE Director of Undergraduate Studies, ECE Director of Graduate Studies, and Associate Dean of Graduate Programs. Students will receive an email from the ECE Graduate Advisor once a final decision has been made by the Dean's office.

GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN AS AN UNDERGRADUATE
The graduate courses must be selected from the 6000-level offerings within the ECE department. Students must be approved for the program prior to enrollment in the graduate courses. Students are required to discuss graduate course selection with the ECE Director of Undergraduate Studies and ECE Director of Graduate Studies, where both must approve the selection before submitting the packet. The 6000-level courses chosen should provide a good substitution for the undergraduate courses required in the undergraduate program.

GENERAL PETITION
A general petition must be submitted for each course, requesting the 6000-level courses will be substituted for an ECE elective 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 or confirm enrollment into the graduate course. Students will be emailed a graduate course enrollment form upon approval. Completion of the B.S. degree and the standard admission requirements for each graduate degree program apply. Admission criteria is outlined on the ECE Graduate Admissions page here: http://www.ece.uh.edu/graduate/admission-guidelines. Qualified graduate applicants are considered for research or teaching assistantships available through the department and the university.

GRANTING OF DEGREES
The Graduate degree shall be awarded based upon the following existing requirements:

- Completion of courses with satisfactory grades.
- Successful defense of the thesis or dissertation as required.
ACCELERATED MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

APPLICATION

Date: ______________________

Last Name: ____________________  First Name: ______________________

UH PSID#: ____________________  Anticipated Graduation semester: ______________________

UH Email Address: ____________________  Phone: ______________________

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

  6000-level course         Semester/Year
  1. __________________________  in __________________
  2. __________________________  in __________________

ECE Director of UGRD Studies ____________________  ECE Director of GRAD Studies ____________________

Submitting Application Packet: In addition to this application, students must include:

- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member in the Cullen College of Engineering. The letter should address your capacity for graduate study.

- General petitions for each course substitution requested.

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

  The second part of this application (below) will be completed once packet is submitted to the front ECE desk. The form will move to the appropriate offices for a final decision.

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The portion below will be completed by ECE UGRD & GRAD Advisors

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

Yes  No

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

ECE Director of Undergraduate Studies:

Approve  Disapprove  Signature: ________________________  Date: __________

ECE Director of Graduate Studies:

Approve  Disapprove  Signature: ________________________  Date: __________

Associate Dean of Graduate Programs:

Approve  Disapprove  Signature: ________________________  Date: __________