GRADUATE STUDIES
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Our Master of Science in Engineering (MSE) program at Purdue University Fort Wayne is technologically relevant and flexible for working adults. It is designed to accommodate working engineers taking one or two courses each semester, though also a good fit for full-time students, as they can take additional classes in systems engineering, organizational leadership, math, and statistics. Our degree equips students to succeed in our rapidly-changing world and positions them to become senior engineering professionals or technical managers. All students are encouraged to conduct research and write a thesis. Research is a high-impact, transformational activity that benefits students, the industry and our program. Industry-sponsored research projects are ideal. A non-thesis MSE option is also available.

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BENEFITS

SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS AND ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

The Master of Science in Engineering (M.S.E.) with a specialization in Mechanical Engineering equips students to succeed in our rapidly-changing world and positions them to become senior engineering professionals or technical managers. Designed for working engineers, our program is flexible and offers a curriculum that can be supplemented with courses in a variety of other departments.

LEARN FROM DEDICATED, EXPERT FACULTY

Our faculty have expertise in a wide range of areas. Students benefit from the distinct and renowned breadth of knowledge our professors and instructors have developed throughout their careers.

Engineering faculty research areas include:
- Thermal Systems
- Energy Systems
- Mechatronics
- Robotics and Automation
- Many research projects involve mathematical modeling and computer simulations of complex mechanical engineering systems

THE PURDUE FORT WAYNE DIFFERENCE

Stand out with a graduate degree that enhances your qualifications through:
- Small class sizes
- Personal attention from dedicated faculty
- Course offerings designed for working adults
- Internationally recognized degree at a fraction of the cost

"The reason why I chose Purdue University Fort Wayne is that my teachers always say that it is a great school to attend. My friends also study there, and they gave me some recommendations about the school. I applied to Purdue University Fort Wayne because it is highly ranked not only in the US, but also in the world."

M.S.E. Graduate

"I couldn’t be more thankful for my experience at Purdue Fort Wayne. The faculty and staff are the best in the business and the skills that I have learned are already proving useful in my career. The MSE program combines an intimate learning experience where professors are engaged and truly care with a large respected university name like Purdue. It is the best of both worlds."

M.S.E. Graduate
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING (MSE) (30 CREDIT HOURS)

The Mechanical Engineering specialization is designed to help students sharpen their engineering skills, grow professionally, and stay on top of recent developments in the field. Students in our program gain a broad and deeper understanding of engineering principles, state-of-the-art technologies, and technical management.

COURSE OF STUDY

The course of study requires completion of 30 credit hours in the following components:

- Four 500-level, graduate mechanical (or closely related) engineering core courses
- Two additional 500-level, engineering course
- Two thesis research courses (ENGR 69800) or two approved elective courses (graduate level)
- Two math (or closely related) approved courses

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING CORE REQUIREMENTS
(12 CREDIT HOURS)

ME 50500 Intermediate Heat Transfer
ME 50900 Intermediate Fluid Mechanics
ME 54400 Modeling and Simulation of Mechanical Engineering Systems
ME 54500 Finite Element Analysis: Advanced Theory and Applications
ME 54600 CAD/CAM Theory and Advanced Applications
ME 54700 Mechatronics, Robotics and Automation
ME 55000 Advanced Stress Analysis
**ELECTIVE COURSES**

Students have the opportunity to take courses from the following departments:

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**SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (SE)**

- SE 52000 Engineering Economics
- SE 53000 Systems Engineering Management
- SE 54000 System Architecture
- SE 55000 Advanced Manufacturing Systems and Processes

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**ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP (OL)**

- OLS 51000 Foundations of Behavior and Leadership in Organizations
- OLS 52000 Foundations of Organizational Context
- OLS 53000 System Change and Organization Development

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**MATH (MA) AND STATISTICS (STAT)**

- STAT 51100 Statistical Methods
- STAT 51400 Design of Experiments
- MA 51100 Linear Algebra

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**DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES THROUGH PURDUE WEST LAFAYETTE**

- ME 55300 Product and Process Design
- ME 55700 Design for Manufacturability
- MSE 69700 Materials Engineering Fundamentals
APPLICATION
DEADLINES

MAY 1
International: regular fall admission

JUN 30
U.S. Citizen: regular fall admission

NOV 1
International: regular spring admission

NOV 15
U.S. Citizen: regular spring admission

STEPS TO APPLY

1. Application: To begin your application create an account through the portal at pfw.edu/grad-apply. Applicants can make and save changes before submitting by logging in with the username and password used to create the account.

2. Application Fee: The Graduate School application fee is $60 (U.S. dollars) for domestic applicants and $75 (U.S. dollars) for international applicants. Your application will not be processed until your nonrefundable application fee has been paid.

3. Transcripts: Through the application portal, you must upload transcript(s) and/or academic document(s) for every institution of higher education you attended regardless of whether or not a degree was received. If a degree was received then it must be printed on the transcripts. If no degree conferral is printed on the transcripts then a copy of the original diploma (degree certificate) is needed. If the documents are not in English, you must upload an English translation certified by the college or university that issued it. For those who have completed degrees in the People’s Republic of China, you will also be required to submit the Graduation Certificate.

4. Statement of Purpose (Essay): The statement of purpose should be 300-500 words concerning your purpose for undertaking or continuing graduate study, your reasons for wanting to study at Purdue Fort Wayne, and your research interests, professional plans, and career goals. You also may explain any special circumstances applicable to your background and elaborate on your scholarly publications, awards, achievements, abilities, and/or professional history.

5. Recommendations: Submit names of three individuals who are qualified to evaluate your academic or on-the-job performance who can attest to your ability to pursue a graduate degree. In the online application to the Purdue Graduate School, once you click “Send to Recommender,” each individual will receive an email with instructions for submitting their recommendation online. Once submitted, the graduate program to which you applied will have access to view your recommendation(s).

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

You must provide official transcripts and/or academic records at the request of the graduate program or if you are admitted and choose to enroll. An official transcript bears the original signature of the registrar and/or the original seal of the issuing institution. An unofficial transcript printed from your current/previous institution(s) student system is not an acceptable document. Official documents should be submitted to:

Purdue University Fort Wayne
Office of Graduate Studies
2101 E Coliseum Blvd., KT 140
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Domestic transcripts must be mailed directly from a Registrar’s office to the Office of Graduate Admissions. (You can choose to send the transcripts yourself, but the transcripts must be in an envelope sealed by the Registrar).
All international applicants must also submit the following items to be considered for admission:

1. **English Proficiency Scores:**
   **TOEFL for Non-Native English Speakers**
   Minimum Paper-Delivered Test - no overall score reported with the following minimum section requirements:
   - Reading: 19
   - Writing: 18
   - Listening: 14
   Minimum Internet-Based Test (IBT) Overall Score: 80 with the following minimum section requirements:
   - Reading: 19
   - Speaking: 18
   - Listening: 14
   - Writing: 18

   **IELTS (Academic Module): An alternative to the TOEFL, overall band score of 6.5 or higher with minimum section requirements:**
   - Reading: 6.5
   - Listening: 6.0
   - Speaking: 6.0
   - Writing: 5.5

   **ELS - Certificate Level 112**
   Routine waivers of an English Proficiency exam are granted for applicants who have been conferred a baccalaureate or graduate or professional degree within the last 24 months from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction in a country/location where English is the native language.

2. **Transcript Evaluation**
   International Applicants must submit original and certified copies for every institution of higher education attended. All documents must be submitted in both English and in the original language. All candidates must hold a four-year undergraduate degree or equivalent in any discipline from a recognized institution.

3. **Proof of Financial Support**
   An official letter and financial statement from a bank, company, or government sponsor indicating the availability of sufficient funds to pay for your tuition and living expenses is required.

4. **Visa and/or Permanent Resident Card (PRC)**

**INTERNATIONAL TRANSCRIPTS SHOULD BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**

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