

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

This degree program is available both on campus and online.

Admission

Applicants for the MS in Software Engineering are required to meet the following requirements:

1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution with a grade point average of *B* or better. An applicant with a lower GPA may be granted conditional. Preference will be given to applicants with backgrounds in computing, engineering, mathematics, or science.
2. Satisfactory completion of the following:
 - a. Calculus I & II
 - b. One course in probability and statistics or linear algebra
 - c. Programming Language (Preferably C/C++ I & II)
 - d. One course in data structures with algorithm analysis
 - e. One course in microprocessors
 - f. One course in computer architecture
 - g. One course in operating systems

Note: Students may be admitted conditionally to make up deficiencies in 2(A-G). above. The software engineering prerequisites may be completed after admission into the program on a "conditional lack of preparation" basis or substituted by two or more years of full-time professional experience in sizeable software development projects. The program committee will determine any decision on substitutions. The applicant will be required to complete the appropriate courses within two years from the date of entrance. Prerequisite courses will not earn credit towards the MS – Software Engineering degree.

3. Two letters of recommendation, with at least one from a person familiar with the candidate's academic performance, are required. Copies of the applicant's undergraduate transcripts and degree must be submitted.

Degree Requirements

The MS degree in Software Engineering is a 30-credit hour graduate program. Students admitted to the program are required to complete the approved graduate courses with an average of *B* or better. The program of study consists of core courses, elective concentrations, a thesis/project requirement (part of which may be satisfied by additional coursework), and electives.

¹Please contact the Computer and Information Science Department about the policy on the minimum grade for a course to satisfy graduation requirements.

Advanced Standing

Up to six graduate credit hours (grade of *B* or better) may be transferred from another accredited institution. Students may transfer up to one-half (1/2) the minimum number of credit hours required for their master's or professional degree from University of Michigan campuses (including Dearborn, Ann Arbor, Flint).

A student is expected to complete all work within five years from the date of first enrollment in the master's program. A student who fails to complete requirements within five years may be withdrawn and required to apply for readmission. Students exceeding this limit must submit a petition (<https://umdearborn.edu/students/academic-advising/student->

[petitions/](https://umdearborn.edu/students/academic-advising/student-)requesting additional time to complete the program. Petitions must describe in detail the amount of work remaining and a timeline for completion. You can review this policy and more on the Graduate Academic Policies page: <http://catalog.umd.umich.edu/academic-policies-graduate/>

Program Requirements

The 30 semester hours of required coursework are distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Courses		15
Application Courses		9
Project/Thesis Option		6
Total Credit Hours		30

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Courses		
All of the following ECE courses:		
ECE 554	Embedded Systems	3
ECE 574	Adv Sftwr Technq in Eng Appl	3
Three (3) out of the following five (5) CIS courses:		
CIS 553	Software Engineering	3
CIS 565	Software Quality Assurance	3
CIS 566	Software Arch and Des Patterns	3
CIS 575	Software Engineering Mgmt	3
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng	3

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Application Courses		
Choose three courses from one of the following application areas:		9
Web Engineering:		
CIS 525	Web Technology	3
CIS 534	Semantic Web	3
CIS 536	Information Retrieval	3
CIS 540	Foundation of Info. Sec.	3
CIS 549	Software Security	3
CIS 559	Prin of Social Netwk Science	3
CIS 562	Web Information Management	3
CIS 571	Web Services	3
CIS 577	S/W User Interface Dsgn&Analys	3
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng	3
CIS 678	Research Advances Software Eng	3
ECE 528	Cloud Computing	3
ECE 570	Computer Networks	3
Game Engineering:		
CIS 515	Computer Graphics	3
CIS 552	Inf Vis & Multimedia Gaming	3
CIS 577	S/W User Interface Dsgn&Analys	3
CIS 579	Artificial Intelligence	3
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng	3
CIS 587	Computer Game Design and Impl	3
CIS 588	Computer Game Design II	3
CIS 652	Info Vsualzatr & Comp Anim	3
CIS 678	Research Advances Software Eng	3

ECE 524	Interactive Media
ECE 579	Intelligent Systems
ECE 5251	MM Design Tools I
ECE 5252	MM Design Tools II
Data Engineering and Analytics:	
CIS 540	Foundation of Info. Sec.
CIS 549	Software Security
CIS 556	Database Systems
CIS 5570	Introduction to Big Data
CIS 562	Web Information Management
CIS 568/ ECE 537	Data Mining
CIS 579	Artificial Intelligence
CIS 5700	Advanced Data Mining
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng
CIS 585	Adv AI
CIS 586	Advanced Data Management
CIS 658	Research Advances in Data Mgt
CIS 678	Research Advances Software Eng
ECE 525	Multimedia Data Stor & Retr
ECE 576	Information Engineering
ECE 579	Intelligent Systems
Information and Knowledge Engineering:	
CIS 540	Foundation of Info. Sec.
CIS 549	Software Security
CIS 5570	Introduction to Big Data
CIS 559	Prin of Social Netwk Science
CIS 568/ ECE 537	Data Mining
CIS 5700	Advanced Data Mining
CIS 579	Artificial Intelligence
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng
CIS 585	Adv AI
CIS 678	Research Advances Software Eng
CIS 679	Computational Game Theory
ECE 5251	MM Design Tools I
ECE 527	Multimedia Secur & Forensics
ECE 531	Intelligent Vehicle Systems
ECE 537	Data Mining
ECE 552	Fuzzy Systems
ECE 576	Information Engineering
ECE 577	Engineering in Virtual World
ECE 579	Intelligent Systems
ECE 583	Artificial Neural Networks
ECE 588	Robot Vision
Mobile and Cloud Computing:	
CIS 535	Wireless Tech/Pervasive Cmptg
CIS 537	Advanced Netwrkng & Dist Syst
CIS 546	Security&Privacy Wireless Ntwk
CIS 548	Sec and Priv in Cloud Comp
CIS 647	Rsrch Advances Ntwkng&Dist Sys
ECE 528	Cloud Computing

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ECE 535	Mob Dev & Ubiqys Comp Sys
ECE 570	Computer Networks
ECE 5701	Intro to Wireless Comm
Embedded Systems	
CIS 525	Web Technology
CIS 527	Computer Networks
CIS 535	Wireless Tech/Pervasive Cmptg
CIS 537	Advanced Netwrkng & Dist Syst
CIS 546	Security&Privacy Wireless Ntwk
CIS 569	Wireless Sensor Networks
ECE 505	Intro to Embedded Systems
ECE 535	Mob Dev & Ubiqys Comp Sys
ECE 5541	Embedded Networks
ECE 5542	Embedded Sig Proc and Control
ECE 5752	Reconfigurable Computing

Professional Electives

Select six credit hours	6
Total Credit Hours	30

A student may elect the application area of his or her choice from CIS or ECE courses with the approval of the advisor.

A student must choose one of the two options:

- i. **Project:** Students desiring to obtain project experience are encouraged to elect the directed studies ECE 591/CIS 591 (3 credit hours), or Project Course ECE 695/CIS 695 (3 credit hours) to work under the supervision of a faculty advisor, and take one additional 3-credit course listed in Sections I and II, or any other CIS/ECE course related to the students' project and approved by the graduate program advisor.
- ii. **Thesis:** Students desiring to obtain research experience are encouraged to elect the thesis ECE 699/CIS 699 (6 hours) and work under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

Master's Thesis Committee

A Master's thesis committee consists of three full-time CIS or ECE faculty members, one of whom is the thesis advisor and requires the approval of the Software Engineering graduate committee. When deemed appropriate, the chair of the graduate committee may request the presence of an additional member from outside CIS or ECE.

Preparatory Courses

Students with inadequate background in CIS or CE may be required to meet with the department graduate advisor to determine the need for preparatory courses and to determine what courses to take prior to consideration into the Masters program.

For further information contact:

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Software Engineering provides a systematic, disciplined, and quantifiable approach to the development, operation, and maintenance of software. The program includes core engineering courses plus electives chosen from a graduate introduction to software engineering, software reliability, management, interface design, and case studies. (12 credit hours)

Certificate offered on Campus and via Distance Learning

Program Requirements

Core Courses

Code	Title	Credit Hours
CIS 553	Software Engineering	3
ECE 554	Embedded Systems	3

Additional Coursework

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Complete 3 courses from the following (9 credits):		
CIS 505	Algorithm Analysis and Design	3
CIS 565	Software Quality Assurance	3
CIS 575	Software Engineering Mgmt	3
CIS 577	S/W User Interface Dsgn&Analys	3
CIS 580	Data Analytics in Software Eng	3
ECE 537	Data Mining	3
ECE 552	Fuzzy Systems	3
ECE 574	Adv Sftwr Technq in Eng Appl	3
ECE 576	Information Engineering	3
ECE 5831	Pat Rec & Neural Netwks	3