

A degree plan is a course of study. It outlines both number and specific core courses to complete; and includes guidelines regarding elective courses students can take.

MS students in Computer Engineering and Telecommunications Engineering must submit their degree plans twice:

- (1) By the end of the first semester (if admitted starting Fall 2017) or by the end of the second semester (if admitted prior to Fall 2017) [1st Semester DP]; and
- (2) On their [Graduating semester](#) (Final Degree Plan).

**A.** Students fill out the appropriate degree plan and indicate if it is a 1st Semester DP or final degree plan (by clicking the applicable button which is located right next to the UTD ID Number pane):

- [MS CE Degree Plan](#)
- [MS TE Degree Plan](#)

**B.** MSCE & MSTE Non-Thesis degree plan review and approval, book a next-day appointment with [Dr. Mehrdad Nourani \(MSCE & MSTE\)](#), [Dr. Diana Cogan \(MSCE\)](#) or [Dr. Marco Tacca \(MSTE\)](#). For degree plan revision, bring both new and previously approved degree plans.

**C.** For MSCE and MSTE Thesis degree plan review and approval, contact your respective MS Thesis Advisors. The degree plan must include nine credit hours of research (of which three or six must be thesis semester credit hours); (*e.g.* 6 research and 3 thesis hours).

**D.** If opting for digital signatures, please use a UTD computer and make sure that the UTD email address is visible on the signature panes.

**E.** After getting your degree plan approved, make a duplicate and submit the original to the ECSN 4.522 or email the form to [ecegradprogram@utdallas.edu](mailto:ecegradprogram@utdallas.edu).