

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 in Electrical Engineering students who were admitted prior to Fall 2017 must submit their degree plans twice: (1) by the end of the second semester (2nd Semester DP); and (2) and on their graduating semester (Final Degree Plan).

A. Students choose an MSEE concentration area. Fill out a degree plan and indicate if it is a second semester or final degree plan (by clicking the applicable button which is located right next to the UTD ID Number pane):

- **Circuits and Systems** 
- **Communications** 
- **Control Systems** 
- **Digital Systems** 
- **Photonic Devices and Systems** 
- **Power Electronics and Energy Systems** 
- **RF and Microwave Engineering** 
- **Signal Processing** 
- **Solid State Devices and MF** 

B. For MSEE Non-Thesis degree plan review and approval, make a next-day appointment with [Drs. Diana Cogan, Matthew Heins, Randy Lehmann, Raja Rajasekaran or Marco Tacca](#).

C. For MSEE 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 EE Graduate Program Office (ECSN 4.524) or email the form to ecegradprogram@utdallas.edu.

F. Change in concentration area is allowed.

- If your overall GPA is 3.0 or better, students can go ahead and get the new degree plan signed.
- If your overall GPA is below 3.0 and if you are not yet on Drop Status or Dismissed, the student needs to email Dr. Dinesh Bhatia, dinesh@utdallas.edu, for approval to switch concentration area; include [unofficial transcripts](#) and new degree plan pdfs.

On the email: Indicate your current concentration area, reasons for wanting to switch concentration area, why your GPA dropped to below 3.0; and new classes to take/repeat plus grades to make to improve GPA to 3.0 or better. On the degree plan: List all completed courses with grades and semester/year taken; and new classes to take/repeat plus grades to make. Students must sign the form.