

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 must submit their degree plans twice: (1) by the end of the first semester (1st Semester DP) or by Census day of their second semester; and (2) 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 first semester or final degree plan (by clicking the applicable button which is located above the student signature pane):

- **Circuits** 
- **Computing Systems** 
- **Devices** 
- **Power Electronics and Energy Systems (2017)** 
- **Power Electronics and Energy Systems (2019)** 
- **Signals and Systems (Fall 2017 to Summer 2018)*** 
- **Signals and Systems (Fall 2018 onwards)*** 

B. For MSEE Non-Thesis degree plan review and approval, make a next-day appointment with MS Advisors: [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, 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 ECE Graduate Program Office (ECSN 2.7 Front Desk) 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 need two forms signed: a new degree plan and a [Graduate Change of Program Request/Sub-Plan Change form**](#)
- 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](mailto:dinesh@utdallas.edu), dinesh@utdallas.edu, for approval to switch concentration area; include [unofficial transcripts](#), a new degree plan and a [Graduate Change of Program Request/Sub-Plan Change form**](#)
On the email: Indicate your current concentration area, reasons for wanting to switch concentration area, why your GPA dropped to below 3.0; include 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 degree plan
- For review and decision, students must email the completed and signed new degree plan and Graduate Change of Program Request/Sub-Plan change form to [Dr. Dinesh Bhatia](mailto:dinesh@utdallas.edu). The faculty signs the new degree plan as MS advisor; and the Graduate Change of Program Request/Sub-Plan Change form as both advisor and graduate program head. After getting the approvals, email the signed documents to ecegradprogram@utdallas.edu.
- Students opting for digital signatures must use a UTD computer and make sure that the UTD email address is visible on the signature panes.

* EESC 6349 course title changed; listed as "Random Processes" up to Summer 2018. New title effective Fall 2018, "Probability, Random Variables, and Statistics."

** To request Graduate Change of Program Request/Sub-Plan Change form, email ecegradprogram@utdallas.edu