



MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAM POLICIES AND EXCEPTIONS

COURSE PASS/NO PASS and AUDIT OPTIONS

All courses taken as part of IDES or MDE degree requirements must be taken *for a letter grade*. This includes but is not limited to the Engineering Core, Area Electives and General Education Electives. Only extra courses, not part of the degree requirements can be taken as Pass/No pass. Students must have instructor permission before taking a class Pass/No Pass.

No courses taken with the "audit" option will be counted on the Plan of Study.

BAND/PES credits

A maximum of two credits in BAND or PES (Physical Education Skills) may be used on an IDES plan of study. No credits of BAND or PES may be used on a MDE plan of study.

****NOTE:** *The total of PES credits + BAND credits + ROTC credits on the plan of study may not exceed six credits.*

ROTC credits

A maximum of six credits of advanced ROTC may be used on a plan of study. For MDE plans of study, ROTC may count toward General Education Electives only.

****NOTE:** *The total of PES credits + BAND credits + ROTC credits on the plan of study may not exceed six credits.*

EPICS (Engineering Projects in Community Service) credits

A total of 6 credits maximum in EPICS (200+ level) is allowable in the IDES plans of study, with 3 of the 6 credits at 300+ level. A total of 9 credits maximum in EPICS (200+ level) is allowable in the MDE plans of study; 3 credits capstone design (i.e. EPCS 411 & 412), 3 credits design selective (i.e. EPCS 300+level), and 3 credits engineering selective (i.e. EPCS 200+level).

MDE CAPSTONE DESIGN credit

The primary pathway toward meeting degree requirements for the MDE capstone design requirement, is the IDE48400 +IDE48500 course sequence pathway. A specific MDE program concentration does not guarantee a range/variety of capstone design course offering options. Contact your advisor for more information regarding available and viable capstone



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design options, if any, related to your concentration area.

Options available to meet the MDE capstone design requirement **ONLY APPLY** if the course is taken in the senior year (i.e. final two semesters). The options include: the standard MDE program course offering (i.e. IDE48400+ IDE48500), and a theatre focused capstone option (i.e. IDE48400+THTR 59700). Note that IDE48400 **must be taken in advance** of *any* capstone design course option, *with a C- or better grade to advance*.

If a student desires ~~chooses~~ an ~~the~~ EPICS capstone option may exist within the following limitations:

- Only students with one (1) semester prior *successful* EPICS course experience (grade of C- or better), are eligible for an approved EPICS capstone design option in place of the primary MDE capstone design requirement option (i.e. EPCS41200 & EPCS41200 substitute for IDE48400 + IDE48500).
- In addition, it is the responsibility of the student to coordinate with EPICS personnel to explore EPICS projects that are viable for capstone design; **not all EPICS projects are eligible**. Only projects pre-approved in collaboration between EPICS and MDE advising leadership will be accepted for capstone credit.

Students taking an alternative capstone course (non IDE48500) are responsible for scheduling and presenting their capstone project to the program designee, normally the MDE Director. Likewise, they must submit all final project materials to that designee to be archived in their formal record.

NOTE: MDE STUDENTS are not eligible to complete a one semester EPICS capstone design course.

LAB credit

Lab classes can be counted on the plan of study ***only if*** the corresponding main class is taken and passed. Examples of these labs include:

ECE 207	will count only if ECE 201 is taken and passed
ECE 208	will count only if ECE 255 is taken and passed
CHM 255L	will count only if CHM 255 is taken and passed
CHM 256L	will count only if CHM 256 is taken and passed

OVERLAPPING COURSE credit

Some courses are dual listed and/or may contain materials that overlap in their course content. *Examples* of overlapping courses where ***only one*** can be used on a plan of





study are:

1. ME 270, CE 297, A&AE 203
2. ME 274, CE 298, A&AE 203
3. ABE 205, CHE 205
4. ABE 210, CHE 211, ME 200
5. CE 524, MGMT 455/457
6. CHE 377, ME 309, CE 340
7. AAE 558, ABE 450
8. ME 323, AAE 204, NUCL 273
9. IE 343 & CE 398

REMEDIAL, SEMINAR, and GENERAL STUDIES COURSE credit

Remedial and preparatory courses cannot be used on either an IDES or MDE plan of study. In addition, no General Studies, non-MDE professional seminar courses, or ENGR exploratory courses will be counted/used on a plan of study.

RESEARCH credit

Only 3 credits of **engineering research** may count towards a plan of study in the ENGR category total. A maximum of 6 *additional credits* for MDE plans of study, and maximum of 3 *additional credits* for IDES plans of study may be counted and used in "Area".

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