

Mechanical Engineering Suggested Graduation Timeline

Following are recommendations and a timeline suggested by the Kiewit Undergraduate Student Services Center for successful completion of a degree in 4 years

Freshman Year Expectations

Curriculum:

- Start and complete most Basic Program courses with 2.0 GPA avg.
- Chem 167L, Engr 170 and possibly some Gen. Ed. courses

Advisor:

Assigned to advisor – 2043 Black Engr. Bldg.

Advisor Responsibilities:

- > Available to meet with students
- Assist with course selection and academic planning
- Share rules & regulations of CoE, ME and University
- > Referrals as needed
- ➤ Assist with degree audit updates

Student Responsibilities:

- Learn ME curriculum & all requirements to attain degree
- Generate and update online grad plan
- Check own class schedule for conflicts, accuracy, or problems
- Check degree audits for errors; discuss with advisor
- Know and use ME, CoE &University resources
- Begin exploring clubs and organizations
- Begin researching 2nd majors, minors & career choices
- ➤ Career Services/Resume
- ➤ Attend Engineering Career Fairs

Sophomore Year Expectations

Curriculum:

- > Basic Program courses complete with 2.0 GPA avg.
- > Start ME core cores: 2.0 GPA avg.
- > Finish up Math & Physics courses
- ➤ ME 202

Advisor:

- ➤ Advisors available in 2043 Black Engr. Building to assist with:
 - Audit corrections
 - Declaring minor or 2nd major
 - Study Abroad
 - Academic planning/big picture
 - General Ed. and tech elective suggestions

Get Involved:

- > CoE & other clubs/organizations
- > Pursue study abroad options
- ➤ Volunteer work
- > Prepare for internship
- > Pursue additional scholarships
- ➤ Career Services/Resume
- ➤ Attend Engineering Career Fairs
- ➤ Update online grad plan

Junior Year Expectations

Curriculum:

- > Technical electives courses
- ➤ ME core courses: 2.0 GPA avg.
- Stat 305, Engl 314 and General Ed. courses
- > Second Major and/or minor
- Review graduation requirement checklist

Advisor:

- ➤ Advisors available in 2043 Black Engr. Building to assist with:
 - Audit corrections
 - Declaring minor or 2nd major
 - Study Abroad
 - Academic planning/big picture
 - General Ed. and tech elective suggestions

Get Involved:

- > CoE & other clubs/organizations; accept officer position
- > Study Abroad
- ➤ Volunteer work
- ➤ Complete Internship
- > Pursue additional scholarships
- Career Services/Refine resumeAttend Engineering Career Fairs
- > Apply for long-term employment
- Page 1 post graduate school
- Research post-graduate school options
- ➤ Update online grad plan

Senior Year Expectations

Curriculum:

- ➤ Finish ME core courses (2.0 GPA avg.); Technical and Design electives; & General Ed. courses
- > Minimum 2.0 Cum. GPA to graduate
- ➤ Minimum 128.5 total credits
- ➤ Last 32 credits in residence at ISU
- Meet with advisor during dead week in semester prior to graduation
- Apply for graduation prior to final semester in 10A Enrollment Services Center
- Review final degree audit of the graduation semester at beginning of semester

Advisor:

- ➤ Advisors available in 2043 Black Engr. Building to assist with:
 - Audit corrections
 - FE information
 - Career/post graduate ideas
 - Recommendations

Get Involved:

- ➤ Update online grad plan
- > Attend Engineering Career Fairs
- Continue to apply and interview for longterm employment/sign contract
- Update Career Services on long-range plans
- > Pursue post-graduate school options
- ➤ Turn over clubs/organizations responsibilities to underclass members; train as needed
- Attend ME and ISU Graduation ceremonies

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Engr 101, ME 202 & ME Handbook (Handbook located at KUSSC webpage)

Kiewit Undergraduate Student Services Center **Webpage:** www.me.iastate.edu/students/advising