THESIS MASTER’S PROGRAM – 2009
Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Oklahoma

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Total of 30 credit hours
- 24 hours course work, 6 hours thesis research
- All course work must be 4000-level with graduate credit and higher.
- At least 12 hours ECE or Computer Science course work (does not include thesis credits)
- 12 hours of 5000-level or higher course work must be in ECE
- Up to 9 hours technical electives (which may include ECE and TCOM courses)
- 3 hours in either math or physics
- After initial enrollment in Thesis Research (ECE 5980), continuous enrollment is required (excluding summers, except when graduating in summer) until completion of degree.
- Any cross-listed courses must be taken as and counted as ECE course work.
- TCOM courses will be allowed as non-ECE electives.
- Maximum 12 hours of 4xxx-level course work, out of which no more than 9 hours may be ECE
- ECE daggered (+G) course work is not allowed for degree requirements.
- 6 hours maximum credit for special studies (total for all 5990’s taken)
- 12 hours maximum credit separately for each category: ECE 5973’s, ECE 6973’s, ECE 5283’s, ECE 6283’s

MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

- 3.00 overall GPA and 3.00 GPA in graduate course work

TIME LIMITS

- 5 years to complete the program

- A student in the regular program (non 5-Yr Program) must select a major advisor and two other M.S. committee members, prepare a plan of study, and file the ECE Master’s Program Approval Form before completing the second semester of studies. The form is available in the ECE Graduate Office or online at http://ece.ou.edu/current/. A 5-Year Accelerated Program student must file graduation forms in the first semester of Master’s level work. The Graduate Liaison may serve as advisor for initial enrollment if needed. Please note: Compliance with the basic requirements listed does not imply that a committee will automatically approve a program of study. Full approval is the assurance.

- The Graduate College’s Admission to Candidacy and Thesis Title/Committee Approval forms must also be submitted to the ECE Graduate Liaison in the semester prior to the anticipated semester of graduation, according to the published deadline in the semester. The appropriate forms may be downloaded at http://gradweb.ou.edu/Current/Forms/masters/index.asp, completed, printed, and approved by committee for submission to the Liaison. NOTE: Use the ECE-specific Candidacy form. Also check the Graduate College’s graduation packet for critical information.

- To change the program of study on an approved Admission to Candidacy Form, complete an ECE petition form, available in the ECE Graduate Office or online at http://ece.ou.edu/current/, and secure the advisor’s and Graduate Liaison’s approvals. Full approval (which is not automatically guaranteed) must be accomplished no later than the first week of the pertinent semester, in case further schedule changes become necessary.

- The thesis defense, which requires specific prior authorization by the Graduate College, should be held during the semester of intended graduation. The student must allow adequate time for the Master’s committee to read the thesis, set a date, and notify the ECE Graduate Office of the date at least one week in advance for the office to announce the defense to faculty and students. A reading copy should also be submitted to be available for interested parties. A reading copy must be taken to the Graduate College about two days prior to the defense for format review and authorization of the defense (final examination). After the defense, the final copy of the thesis must then be prepared for deposit in the main library. To assure graduation in the desired semester, the academic calendar deadlines, published online in the semester schedules at http://www.ou.edu/admissions/home/academic_calendar.html, must be heeded.

Check all general university policies and other helpful information for Master’s degree students in the Graduate College Bulletin at http://gradweb.ou.edu/Current/gcBulletin/index.asp. Some ECE requirements and restrictions are in addition to those of the Graduate College.

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