

Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you so much for your interest in the Electrical and Computer Engineering Graduate Program at Utah State University.

I wanted to let you know the process for applying to the School of Graduate Studies at our university. Please complete the application found at <http://www.usu.edu/graduateschool/apply/> . There is a \$55.00 application fee that can be paid by credit card. No paper applications are available. Send all supporting documents (GRE scores, TOEFL scores, transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc.) to:

Utah State University
School of Graduate Studies
0900 Old Main Hill
Logan, UT 84322-0900.

Do not send materials directly to the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

When all documents are received and the application packet is complete, the application is then forwarded to the ECE Department where the ECE Graduate Committee reviews the applications for acceptance and financial awards. No additional financial aid application is necessary.

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering's admission deadlines are July 1st for Spring semester beginning the first part of January, and January 1st for Fall semester beginning the end of August. Only complete applications that meet these deadlines will be reviewed for financial aid. Second reviews for applications that do not meet these deadlines may be held for each semester. Fall applications will be reviewed May 1st and Spring applications will be reviewed October 1st. No special reviews will be held.

We offer the following degrees: PhD in Electrical Engineering, Master of Science in Computer Engineering, Master of Science in Electrical Engineering, and Master of Engineering with a specialization in either Computer Engineering or Electrical Engineering.

The ranking of students is based on the GPA, TOEFL scores for international applicants, GRE scores, and other application information. The minimum acceptable GPA is 3.0. International GPAs are converted to the USU standard GPA. The minimum internet-based TOEFL score is 79-80. The Graduate School's minimum criteria for the verbal and quantitative areas of the GRE percentile score are 40%. However, the ECE Department may require higher percentile scores in the verbal, quantitative, and analytical sections of the GRE.

The department also looks at the engineering background of the student's previous education and the interest or focus area. Please include your interest or focus area and your desire for either Electrical or Computer Engineering specializations. The focus areas may be found on the ECE web site http://www.ece.usu.edu/grad/focus_areas/index.php . All decisions are made dependent upon the pool of applicants and the number of graduate student openings in the department.

Final acceptance decisions will be made by the Utah State University Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Graduate Committee upon the recommendation of a faculty member. ME recommendation should be based on qualifications. MS and PhD recommendations should be based on research experience and potential.

We have several different types of financial aid available, including fellowships, teaching assistantships, and research assistantships. All financial aid decisions are made based on the academic credentials of the applicant. Keep in mind that only those students whose complete application meet our deadlines are reviewed for financial aid. Nonresident MS students on graduate assistantships may qualify for a nonresident tuition award. Nonresident PhD graduate assistants may also qualify for an instate tuition award. Financial aid is usually not available for ME students.

More graduate information is found on the Graduate School web site at <http://www.usu.edu/graduateschool/> . If you have further questions about our department, please refer to our web site at <http://www.ece.usu.edu/> .

Tuition and fees are found at <http://www.usu.edu/registrar/payment/> . Insurance information is found at http://www.firststudent.com/html/utahstate_061609.htm .

For international students, more information is found at <http://www.usu.edu/oiss/> .

Thank you for your interest in Utah State University and we look forward to reviewing your application and credentials.

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