School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS)

Explanation of Course Numbers

- Courses in the 1000s are primarily introductory undergraduate courses.
- Those in the 2000s to 4000s are upper-division undergraduate courses that also may be taken for graduate credit with permission and additional work assigned.
- Those in the 6000s and 8000s are for master’s, doctoral, and professional-level students.
- The 6000s are open to advanced undergraduate students with approval of the instructor and the dean or advising office.

SEAS 0920. Continuing Research - Master’s. 0 Credits.
Continuing research.

SEAS 0930. Examination Preparation. 0 Credits.
Provides continuous enrollment for graduate students who are studying for a comprehensive or qualifying examination for the current or following semester but are not enrolled in any courses.

SEAS 0940. Continuing Research - Doctoral. 0 Credits.
Continuing research.

SEAS 1001. Engineering Orientation. 1 Credit.
Introduction to careers in engineering and computer science, University resources, and computer skill development. Emphasizes teamwork skills by applying them to several design projects. (Fall)

SEAS 1099. Variable Topics. 1-36 Credits.

SEAS 1800. Special Topics in Engineering. 1-3 Credits.
Experimental offerings on introductory-level topics and applications related to various disciplines in engineering. Topics vary by semester. May be repeated for credit provided the topic differs. Consult the Schedule of Classes for more details. Open both to GW undergraduate students and to high school students. (Fall, spring, And summer)

SEAS 4800. Special Topics. 1-3 Credits.
Special topics related to new technology and advances, experimental offering on new course topics and applications. Topic to be announced in the schedule of classes. May be repeated for credit provided the topic differs. Recommended background: Undergraduate student. (Fall, spring, And summer)

SEAS 5099. Variable Topics. 1-99 Credits.

SEAS 6014. Introduction to Software and Hardware Security. 3 Credits.
Fundamental principles of designing secure software and hardware systems and the range of attacks that seek to compromise them. Overview of computer architecture and present attacks targeting the hardware, operating system, and application layers. Restricted to SEAS online students only.

SEAS 6100. Innovation and Technology. 3 Credits.
Introduction to design and management of technology; Law of Diffusion of Innovation; identification of fundamental engineering design limits; sustained vs. disruptive engineering and technology, best practices from innovators and visionaries; engineering solutions at the prototype state; benefits of intellectual property protections; transformative technology and assessment from a holistic and global view point; application of the lean star-up approach to real-world challenges including sustainability. Restricted to SEAS students or with the instructor’s permission.

SEAS 6200. Launching Technical Ventures. 3 Credits.
Fundamentals of building an organization and the capabilities necessary to launch and nurture early-stage ventures. Lean start-up management practices, with insights and lessons learned to avoid common mistakes associated with launching new businesses. (Spring)

SEAS 6300. Climate Change Policy and Regulation. 3 Credits.
Past and present policies, regulations, and standards at the local, national, and international levels addressing climate change-related challenges facing society; creating and guiding policy that is scientifically sound and resonates with the public; technological, institutional, and political infrastructures of air-land-water interactions; regulation of technologies at the forefront of climate action policy. (Fall, spring, and summer, Every year)

SEAS 6303. Climate Change Capstone. 3 Credits.
Case studies suggested by examination of NASA’s Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) satellite mission; the Department of Energy’s Innovation Hub (JCAP); federal climate change policy with regard to the Paris Agreement; Intended Nationally Determined Contributions; and other topics. (Fall, spring, and summer, Every year)

SEAS 6401. Data Analytics Foundations and Practicum. 3 Credits.
Introduction to concepts and techniques in data analytics. Basic techniques of data science: algorithms for data mining; basics of statistical modeling and their “Big Data” applications. Concepts, abstractions, and practical techniques. Restricted to students in the MS in data analytics program. (Fall, Every year)

SEAS 6402. Data Analytics Capstone. 3 Credits.
Students apply previously learned data analytics concepts and tools to the solution of practical problems in a year-long project. Planning, design, and construction of the project, including project demonstration, project specifications, report writing, and presentations. Restricted to students in the MS in data analytics program. Prerequisites: CSCI 6362 or EMSE 6765; CSCI 6441 or EMSE 6586; and CSCI 6444 and EMSE 6574. (Spring, Every year)
SEAS 6410. Security Data Visualization. 3 Credits.
Visualization aspect of security data, including study of data analytics and scaling up information security, security metrics and security monitoring techniques focusing on industry applications. Tools for security data visualization and analytics. Restricted to online program students. Prerequisites: EMSE 6767.

SEAS 6411. Management and Compliance in Cloud Computing. 3 Credits.
Maintaining compliance in the cloud. Theory, methodology, and procedures related to cloud computing; proper audit procedures for discovering system vulnerabilities; documenting findings according to the standards of compliance-based auditing. Restricted to SEAS online students. Prerequisites: ECE 6132.

SEAS 6412. Cloud Migration Strategy. 3 Credits.
Migrating traditional IT services to a cloud-based environment. Technical and business considerations necessary to develop an effective cloud migration strategy for an organization. Decision analysis framework to prioritize migration applications. Restricted to SEAS online students. Prerequisites: ECE 6132.

SEAS 6800. Special Topics. 1-3 Credits.
Experimental offering of new course topics and applications related to advances in technology. Topic announced in the Schedule of Classes. May be repeated for credit provided the topic differs. (Fall, spring, And summer)

SEAS 8188. Praxis Research for Doctor of Engineering in Cyber Analytics. 1-12 Credits.
Designed for students to conduct guided research in the area of cyber analytics. Restricted to students in the research phase of the DEng in cyber analytics program. (As arranged, Every year)

SEAS 8410. Security Data Visualization and Analysis. 3 Credits.
Visualization and analysis aspect of security data, including study of data analytics and scaling up information security, security metrics and security monitoring techniques focusing on industry applications. Restricted to Students in the DEng in Cybersecurity Analytics Program. (As arranged, Every year)

SEAS 8414. Analytical Tools for Cyber Analytics. 3 Credits.
Survey of analytical tools for analyzing cyber security data with particular attention to the use of data analytics procedures in supporting appropriate cyber security policy decisions. Restricted to students in the doctor of engineering program. Recommended background: bachelor’s and master’s degrees in engineering, applied science, mathematics, computer science, information technology, or related field from accredited institutions. (As arranged, Every year)

SEAS 8415. Applied Cryptography and Data Protection. 3 Credits.
An overview of modern cryptography and how various cryptographic algorithms and protocols perform with respect to functionality and security as components of complex security solutions. Restricted to students in the doctor of engineering program. Recommended background: bachelor’s and master’s degrees in engineering, applied science, mathematics, computer science, information technology, or related field from accredited institutions. (As arranged, Every year)

SEAS 8499. Praxis Development for Cybersecurity Analytics. 3 Credits.
Overview of research methods for the students in the DEng in cybersecurity analytics program. Aims and purposes of the praxis. Development of praxis research strategies, formulation, and defense of a praxis proposal. Restricted to students in the DEng in cybersecurity analytics program. (As arranged, Every year)

SEAS 8998. Advanced Reading and Research. 3 Credits.
Self-paced guided independent research course used to investigate advanced topics in the field. Restricted to students in the doctor of engineering program. (As arranged, Every year)