BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
WITH A MAJOR IN SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

The bachelor of science with a major in systems engineering degree program provides students with a broad and solid education in the basics of mathematical modeling, software and information systems, and the treatment of uncertainty. Systems engineering can be applied in many areas, including communications, energy, environment, finance, health care, information technology, marketing, national defense, project management, software development, and transportation. The program emphasizes analytical thinking and fosters communication skills and awareness of the current professional world in order to prepare students for graduate education or productive professional employment.

Bachelor of Science with a Second Major in Systems Engineering

Any undergraduate student who is enrolled at GW may declare a second major in systems engineering only if their primary degree is a Bachelor of Science. The student must complete all degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science in systems engineering, including SEAS general, major, technical electives, humanities/social science, and SEAS/technical GPA requirements. Students enrolled in other bachelor’s degree programs (e.g., BA, BBA, BFA) are required to complete the major as a double degree (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/university-regulations/#DDegrees).

Graduation grade-point average criteria:
To satisfactorily complete a second major in electrical engineering, a student must have a minimum grade-point average of 2.2 in all technical engineering courses outlined in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth semesters of the curriculum.

Visit the program website (http://www.emse.seas.gwu.edu/bachelor-science-systems-engineering) for additional information.

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

- Completion of a total of 129 credits as outlined below.
- Completion of an appropriate internship/co-op experience during the last two years of the program. This requirement may be satisfied by an approved full-time summer position after the second or third year, or by one or two approved part-time positions requiring 15 to 20 hours of work per week during two of the final four semesters. The position may be paid or unpaid. A position obtained through the GW Career Center (http://gwired.gwu.edu/career) usually is acceptable. Consult the faculty advisor for approval.

- A minimum technical GPA of 2.2 and SEAS GPA of 2.0. All technical courses taken during the fifth through eighth semesters, as outlined by the 4-year curriculum sheet respective to each major and approved by the student’s faculty advisor, are counted towards the student’s technical GPA.
- Completion of an approved technical minor that uses the five professional electives courses built into the curriculum.

Plan of Study
The plan of study lists in sequence all course requirements for the degree. Students should review this information carefully and speak to their advisor before changing the sequence of any of these courses.

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<td>Intermediate Statistical Laboratory: Statistical Computing Packages</td>
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**Total Credits** 129

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³ Computing track elective requirements may be met with the courses in either option in the list directly above.

⁴ One social and behavioral sciences course and one humanities course must be selected from the University General Education Requirement (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/university-regulations/general-education) list.

⁵ In consultation with the faculty advisor, the student selects two approved courses with engineering topics, both offered by the same SEAS department.

⁶ Professional electives: Each systems engineering major will gain specific expertise in a chosen technical area by taking a five-course sequence leading to a minor from another department of the University. Technical electives are selected with the approval of the student’s academic advisor. Areas frequently chosen are computer science, economics, finance, management, mathematics, naval science, statistics, or specific...
fields of engineering. Consult the advisor for other approved areas and requirements.

**Internship requirement**—All EMSE majors are required to complete an appropriate internship/co-op experience during the last two years of the program. This requirement may be satisfied by an approved full-time summer position after the second or third year, or by one or two approved part-time positions requiring 15 to 20 hours per week during two of the final four semesters. A position obtained through the GW Career Center (http://gwired.gwu.edu/career) will usually be acceptable; the position may be either paid or unpaid. Consult the advisor for approval.