CIVIL ENGINEERING, MS

for the degree of Master of Science in Civil Engineering (on campus & non-thesis online)

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The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, consistently ranked as having one of the best graduate programs in the country, offers graduate work leading to master's and doctoral degrees. These are in a variety of specialized areas through departmental and joint programs which are described on this page.

Opportunity exists for specializing in computational science and engineering via the Computational Science & Engineering (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/concentration/computational-science-engineering) optional graduate concentration.

Admission Requirements

The Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering accepts applications for admission to the graduate program for both fall and spring semesters.

A prerequisite for graduate study in civil engineering is the equivalent of the BS in Civil Engineering (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/engineering/civil-engineering-bs) from an accredited institution whose requirements for the bachelor’s degree are substantially equivalent to those of the University of Illinois and his or her cumulative grade point average is at least 3.00 (A = 4.00). The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) (http://www.ets.org/gre/}
Civil Engineering, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/civil-engineering-phd)

optional concentrations:
- Computational Science and Engineering (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/concentration/computational-science-engineering)

Environmental Engineering in Civil Engineering, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/environmental-engineering-civil-engineering-ms)

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concentrations:
- Railway Engineering (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/engineering-meng/railway)

available for:
- Engineering, MENG (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering/engineering-meng)

joint programs:
- Civil Engineering, MS & Architecture, MARCH (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering_faa/joint-degree/architecture-march-civil-engineering-ms), (Construction Management or Structures)
- Civil Engineering, MS & Urban Planning, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/joint-degree/urban-planning-mup)

Opportunity also exists for specializing in energy and sustainability engineering via the

Energy and Sustainability Engineering (EaSE) Graduate Certificate Option (http://ease.illinois.edu)

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For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s Graduate Handbook (https://cee.illinois.edu/academics/graduate-programs/graduate-handbook) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).

This degree program can be completed either on campus or online; with or without a thesis, the requirements are listed below:

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<td>Individual programs are developed by the students in consultation with their academic advisors.</td>
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<td>A minimum of 16 hours of credit within the major field with 8 graded and at the 500 level.</td>
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<td>A minimum of 12 hours at the 500-level overall.</td>
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<td>A maximum of 8 hours of CEE 597 (or other independent study) may be applied toward the elective course work requirement.</td>
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<td>At least half of the minimum hours required for the degree must be in Illinois courses meeting on the Urbana-Champaign campus or in courses meeting in other locations approved by the Graduate College for residency credit for the degree.</td>
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The degree requirements for the online programs are the same as for the on-campus non-thesis M.S. program—36 hours of course work—and the degree awarded to online students is the same degree awarded to resident students. Online students have five years to complete the program.

The M.S. degree in Civil Engineering offered online is currently available for specialization in Construction Management, Infrastructure, Structural Engineering, and Transportation Engineering. Students can also develop cross-disciplinary programs in consultation with their advisers. Additional courses are available online in the following areas of concentration to complement the student's area of specialty above: Construction Materials, Environmental Engineering and Science, Environmental Hydrology and Hydraulic Engineering, and Geotechnical Engineering.