ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING IN CIVIL ENGINEERING, MS

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

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 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.

Department Research
Areas of study and research pursued by our world-renowned faculty are focused in the following ten specializations:

- construction management
- environmental engineering
- geotechnical engineering
- materials science
- structural engineering
- transportation engineering
- energy and water engineering
- societal risk and hazard
- resilient infrastructure systems
- sustainability and mitigation technologies

More information about these specialized areas may be found at the department's research website (https://cee.illinois.edu/areas/).

Through the research centers based in the department, CEE students participate in a wide range of groundbreaking research projects with immediate relevance to real-world engineering applications. For more information, see the department's research centers website (https://cee.illinois.edu/research/research-centers/).

CEE at Illinois is one of the nation's best-equipped programs, with a broad range of facilities for civil and environmental engineering education and research. For more information, see the department's research facilities website (https://cee.illinois.edu/research/research-facilities/).

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4. Understanding of the student’s professional and scientific ethical responsibilities;
5. Propose, plan, and execute original research idea that targets current or future societal challenges related to civil and environmental engineering.
6. Demonstrate skills to teach technical subjects in CEE at the university level

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Admission Requirements

The Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering accepts applications for admission to the graduate program for both fall and spring semesters. Admission to the Graduate College with full status in environmental engineering in civil engineering is granted to graduates of accredited institutions 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) (https://www.ets.org/gre.html) is currently optional. CEE recommends the GRE test for MS applications, particularly for students applying from international universities, MS applicants looking for potential funding support, or MS applicants whose GPA falls below the average GPA of admitted students. If GRE scores are submitted, CEE does not have minimum scores for admission. GRE scores are only valid for five years prior to the proposed term of entry.

All applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit TOEFL (http://www.toefl.org/) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (http://www.ielts.org/) scores as evidence of English proficiency. Minimum admission requirements (https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/instructions/04c/) are set by the Graduate College. Students applying to the online program must satisfy the full status admissions requirement.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available in the form of fellowships and research and teaching assistantships. All applicants, regardless of U.S. citizenship, whose native language is not English and who wish to be considered for teaching assistantships must demonstrate spoken English language proficiency (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/admissions/taengprof.htm) by achieving a minimum score of 50 or 24 on the speaking subsection of the TOEFL iBT or 8 on the speaking subsection of the IELTS. For students who are unable to take the iBT or IELTS, a minimum score of 4CP is required on the EPI test (http://cte.illinois.edu/testing/oral_eng/epi_overview.html), offered on campus. All new teaching assistants are required to participate in the Graduate Academy for College Teaching (https://citl.illinois.edu/citl-101/teaching-learning/grad-academy-for-college-teaching/) conducted prior to the start of the semester.

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