MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

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Curriculum in Materials Science and Engineering (http://mse.illinois.edu)

For the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering

Materials science and engineering is the basis for all engineering. Improvements in the quality of life require knowledge of the processing and properties of current materials and the design, development and application of new materials. The Materials Science and Engineering (MatSE) curriculum provides an understanding of the underlying principles of synthesis and processing of materials and of the interrelationships between structure, properties, and processing.

Students learn how to create advanced materials and systems required, e.g., for flexible electronic displays and photonics that will change communications technologies, for site specific drug delivery, for self-healing materials, for enabling the transition to a hydrogen-based economy, and for more efficient photovoltaics and nuclear systems for energy production. The curriculum uses concepts from both basic physics and chemistry and provides a detailed knowledge of what makes the materials we use every day behave as they do.

Students in the first two years take courses in general areas of science and engineering as well as courses introducing the concepts in MatSE. In the third year, students study the common, central issues related to MatSE. In the senior year, students focus on an area of MatSE of their greatest interest, providing them with the underpinning knowledge for graduate study. Note: students interested in biomaterials take a specific set of courses to provide them with a background in biology and chemistry while maintaining a strong engineering focus.

A combined B.S.-M.S. Materials Science and Engineering degree program is available. Its admission and course requirements are described in the College of Engineering program information section (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/engineer) and the department’s website.

Focus Areas

The MatSE program provides a diverse set of courses enabling a plan of study designed around the interest of the student. The plan of study includes the core areas of materials science (ceramics, metals, polymers, electronic materials, and biomaterials), as well as emerging interdisciplinary topics (e.g., materials for energy, advanced processing and/or characterization methods, materials theory and computation). The biomaterials area requires a unique set of prerequisites and courses, and so has a distinct curriculum. Students are encouraged to take engineering, science, and business electives of interest to them and of relevance to their career goals. Highlights of the possible focus areas are:

- Advanced Processing and Characterization Methods: Introduces principles for designing and engineering materials structure, properties, and chemistry from atomic to macroscopic scales. This area also teaches fundamental and practical concepts necessary for determining materials structure and chemistry at different length scales. This area utilizes basic knowledge from physics and chemistry.
- Biomaterials: The science and engineering of materials for use in biological applications, particularly as related to human health. This area includes concepts in basic and intermediate chemistry and and basic and intermediate biology, with relatively less coverage of physics topics. It includes a subset of the standard junior year courses and requires additional chemistry and biology in the junior year.
- Composites: Studies the science and engineering of materials formed by combining multiple materials into a single material. Studies of composites make significant use of properties of materials and mathematical knowledge.
- Ceramics: Studies the science and engineering of ceramic materials, including alloy design, composites, synthesis, and processing methods. Ceramics makes significant use of concepts from both basic physics and basic chemistry.
- Electronic Materials: Describes the design and engineering of materials primarily for the microelectronics industries. Topics span the ceramics, metals, and polymers areas. Concepts from basic and intermediate physics are used along with basic chemistry.
- Metals: Introduces the design and processing of metals and alloys to achieve desired properties. This area primarily uses concepts from basic and intermediate physics with relatively less emphasis on chemical concepts.
- Polymers: Teaches the methods for molecular design to achieve desired properties in individual polymers, polymer blends, and polymer composites as well as processing methods. This area primarily uses concepts from basic and intermediate chemistry with relatively less emphasis on physics concepts.
- Materials for Energy and the Environment: Studies materials for energy production, harvesting, and storage; materials for environmental remediation, water purification, and recycling; and includes discussions on sustainability and life-cycle analysis of the environmental impact of materials. Materials issues related to both renewable and non-renewable energy production are covered. This area utilizes concepts from both physics and chemistry.
- Materials Theory and Computation: Introduces computational modeling approaches for materials that span length- and time-scales from the atomic to the macroscopic. This area focuses on computational prediction of material response to different stimuli (mechanical loads, temperature, electronic excitations, etc.) and fundamental material properties.

Overview of Curricular Requirements

The curriculum requires 128 hours for graduation and is organized as follows.

Orientation and Professional Development

These courses introduce the opportunities and resources your college, department, and curriculum can offer you as you work to achieve your career goals. They also provide the skills to work effectively and successfully in the engineering profession.
Information listed in this catalog is current as of 04/2018
List of approved technical electives (http://www.matse.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduate/curriculum/technical.html).

Liberal Education
The liberal education courses (https://wiki.cites.illinois.edu/wiki/display/ugadvise/Liberal+Education+Electives) develop students’ understanding of human culture and society, build skills of inquiry and critical thinking, and lay a foundation for civic engagement and lifelong learning.

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Students must also complete the campus cultural studies requirement by completing (i) one western/comparative culture(s) course, (ii) one non-western culture(s) course, and (iii) one U.S. Minority Culture(s) course from the General Education cultural studies lists. Most students select liberal education courses that simultaneously satisfy two or more cultural studies requirements. Courses from the western and non-western lists that fall into free electives or other categories may also be used satisfy the cultural studies requirements.

Composition
These courses teach fundamentals of expository writing.

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Free Electives
These unrestricted electives, subject to certain exceptions as noted at the College of Engineering Advising Website (https://wiki.cites.illinois.edu/wiki/display/ugadvise/Free+Electives?src=search), give the student the opportunity to explore any intellectual area of unique interest. This freedom plays a critical role in helping students to define research specialties or to complete minors.

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Topical Lecture Courses
The courses listed below have been approved by the department as topical lectures for all focus areas.
RHET 105  Writing and Research
(or Liberal education elective)  4

Semester Hours  17

Second Year
First Semester
CS 101  Intro Computing: Engrg Sci  3
MATH 241 Calculus III  4
MSE 201 Phases and Phase Relations  3
PHYS 212 University Physics: Elec Mag  4
Liberal education elective  3

Semester Hours  17

Second Semester
ECE 205 Electrical and Electronic Circuits  3
MATH 285 Intro Differential Equations  3
MSE 206 Mechanics for MatSE  4
PHYS 214 Univ Physics: Quantum Physics  2
Liberal education elective  3

Semester Hours  15

Total Hours: 63

All students except Biomaterials Area

Third Year
First Semester
IE 300 Analysis of Data or STAT 400  3
MSE 307 Materials Laboratory I  3
MSE 401 Thermodynamics of Materials  3
MSE 406 Thermal-Mech Behavior of Matls  3
Liberal education elective  3

Semester Hours  15

Second Semester
MSE 304 Electronic Properties of Matls  3
MSE 308 Materials Laboratory II  3
MSE 402 Kinetic Processes in Materials  3
MSE 405 Microstructure Determination  3
Topical lecture (intro level suggested)  3
Liberal education elective  3

Semester Hours  18

Fourth Year
First Semester
Topical lecture courses  6
MSE 404 Laboratory Studies in Materials Science and Engineering  3
Technical elective  3
Liberal education elective  3
Free elective  3

Semester Hours  18

Second Semester
MSE 395 Materials Design  3

Rhett 105 may be taken in the first or second semester as authorized. The alternative is a social sciences or humanities elective.

Biomaterials Area

Third Year
First Semester
CHEM 232 Elementary Organic Chemistry I  3
MSE 307 Materials Laboratory I  3
MSE 401 Thermodynamics of Materials  3
MSE 406 Thermal-Mech Behavior of Matls  3
MCB 150 molec Cellular Basis of Life  4

Semester Hours  16

Second Semester
MCB 252 Cells, Tissues Development  3
IE 300 or STAT 400 Analysis of Data  3
MSE 308 Materials Laboratory II  3
MSE 402 Kinetic Processes in Materials  3
Liberal education elective  3

Semester Hours  15

Fourth Year
First Semester
MSE 470 Design and Use of Biomaterials  3
MSE 450 Introductory Biochemistry  3
Topical lecture in biomaterials area  3
Topical lecture outside of biomaterials area  3
Liberal education elective  3
Free Elective  3

Semester Hours  17

Second Semester
MSE 395 Materials Design  3
MSE 404 Laboratory Studies in Materials Science and Engineering  3
Topical lecture in biomaterials area  3
Topical lecture outside of biomaterials area  3
Liberal education elective  3
Free elective  3

Semester Hours  18

Total Hours: 66

1 MATH 220 may be substituted, with four of the five credit hours applying toward the degree. MATH 220 is appropriate for students with no background in calculus.

2 RHET 105 may be taken in the first or second semester as authorized. The alternative is a social sciences or humanities elective.

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MSE 182  Introduction to MatSE  credit: 2 Hours.
Overview of MatSE as a basis for understanding how structure, property, and processing relationships are developed and used for different types of materials. Case studies of advances in new materials and processes illustrating the role of materials in modern society. Laboratory-discussion demonstrations and experiments. Design-team analysis or synthesis of objects that use materials creatively.

MSE 199  Undergraduate Open Seminar  credit: 1 to 5 Hours.
May be repeated to a maximum of 5 hours. May be repeated in the same term.

MSE 201  Phases and Phase Relations  credit: 3 Hours.
Understanding microstructure. Quantitative examination of phases (crystalline and non-crystalline structures) and the relationships between phases (phase diagrams). Commercial practices for producing desired microscopic phase configurations and macroscopic shapes (processing). Credit is not given for both MSE 201 and MSE 280. Prerequisite: MSE 182; credit or concurrent enrollment in CHEM 104, MATH 231 and PHYS 211.

MSE 206  Mechanics for MatSE  credit: 4 Hours.
Statics, mechanics of materials, and fluid mechanics concepts pertinent to the fields of materials science and engineering: force resultants; stresses and strains produced in elastic bodies; microscopic effects of different loading states (tension, compression, torsion, and bending) on deformable bodies; beam stresses and deflections; three-dimensional stresses and strains; stress and strain-rate relationships for Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluids; conservation equations (control volume analysis) for fluid flow; Reynolds number; slow inertial and turbulent flows. Credit is not given for both MSE 206 and either TAM 251 or TAM 335. Prerequisite: MATH 225, MATH 241 and PHYS 211; credit or concurrent enrollment in CS 101 and MSE 201.

MSE 280  Engineering Materials  credit: 3 Hours.
Materials science and engineering of ceramics, electronic materials, metals and polymers. Bonding; crystallography; imperfections; processing and properties of semiconductors, polymers, metals, ceramics and composites; phase diagrams. Case studies. Credit is not given for both MSE 280 and any of CEE 300, ME 330, MSE 201. Prerequisite: CHEM 102 and PHYS 211.

MSE 304  Electronic Properties of Matls  credit: 3 Hours.
Electronic structure and bonding of materials, electrical conduction in metals and semiconductors, and dielectric and magnetic properties of solids. Credit is not given for both MSE 304 and PHYS 460. Prerequisite: PHYS 214.

MSE 307  Materials Laboratory I  credit: 3 Hours.
Experiments using optical and scanning electron microscopy and various thermal and thermodynamic measuring techniques. Familiarization with laboratory test instruments. MSE 307 and MSE 308 are approved for General Education credit only as a sequence. Both courses must be completed to receive Advanced Composition credit. Prerequisite: Credit or concurrent registration in MSE 401 and either MSE 201 or MSE 280. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: Advanced Composition

MSE 308  Materials Laboratory II  credit: 3 Hours.
Experiments characterizing mechanical, transport, and magnetic-electric properties of materials and the use optical and scanning electron microscopy and infrared spectroscopy. MSE 307 and MSE 308 are approved for General Education credit only as a sequence. Both courses must be completed to receive Advanced Composition credit. Prerequisite: MSE 307; credit or concurrent registration in MSE 304 and MSE 405. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: Advanced Composition
MSE 395  Materials Design  credit: 3 Hours.
Design of various engineering devices, objects, or systems. Team-based and faculty-guided projects directed toward the development of materials-based solutions to problems originating from student, faculty, and industrial suggestions. Solutions are based on the knowledge, skills, and design experience acquired in earlier course work and incorporate engineering standards and realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, sustainability, manufacturability, ethical, health and safety, social, and political concerns. Prerequisite: This course is available to engineering majors with senior standing only.

MSE 396  Introduction to Research  credit: 1 to 3 Hours.
Fundamental tenets of research including an introduction to laboratory safety, constructing a hypothesis, and the design of experiments to test the hypothesis. Basics of mathematical modeling and statistical analysis of data, including the analysis of research data. Emphasis on exposure to the basic procedures comprising engineering communication and the importance of verbal and written communication. Approved for Letter and S/U grading. May be repeated in separate terms.

MSE 397  Independent Study  credit: 1 to 4 Hours.
Individual study of any topic in materials science and engineering selected by the student and conducted under the supervision of a member of the faculty. May be repeated to a maximum of 4 hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

MSE 398  Special Topics  credit: 1 to 4 Hours.
Subject offerings of new and developing areas of knowledge in materials science and engineering intended to augment the existing curriculum. See Class Schedule or departmental course information for topics and prerequisites. May be repeated in the same or separate terms if topics vary.

MSE 401  Thermodynamics of Materials  credit: 3 Hours.
Basic thermodynamic principles including energy, entropy, and free energy; macroscopic properties of hard and soft materials systems, such as equilibrium states, phases, and phase transitions. Application of phase diagrams. Statistical interpretation of thermodynamics on the atomistic level. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Credit is not given for both MSE 401 and CHEM 444 or PHYS 427. Prerequisite: MSE 201 or MSE 280; credit or concurrent registration in MATH 285.

MSE 402  Kinetic Processes in Materials  credit: 3 Hours.
Kinetics of chemical reactions; rate equations, reaction mechanisms; transport processes; diffusion equations, atomic and molecular diffusion; phase transformations; nucleation, crystalization, displacive, spinodal decomposition; surface and interface phenomena; sintering, grain growth, recovery, and recrystallization. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 201 and MSE 401.

MSE 403  Synthesis of Materials  credit: 3 Hours.
Fundamentals of the synthesis of materials. Principles of synthesis; processes, approaches, synthetic methodology and probes; methodologies in materials synthesis; polymerization, sol-gel processes, liquid and vapor phase synthesis, materials coupling reactions, and precursor-derived, radiation-induced and asymmetric synthesis. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 201; credit or concurrent registration in MSE 401.

MSE 404  Laboratory Studies in Materials Science and Engineering  credit: 1.5 Hours.
Experiments include direct hands-on investigations or are performed through computational approaches. Laboratory experiences include both fundamental studies as well as investigations on more applied topics. 1.5 undergraduate hours. 1.5 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Prerequisite: MSE 307 and MSE 308 or permission of instructor. Senior standing.

MSE 405  Microstructure Determination  credit: 3 Hours.
Fundamentals and applications of various forms of microscopy and diffraction for characterization of physical microstructure of materials and of various forms of spectroscopy for characterization of chemical microstructure. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: PHYS 214, CHEM 104, MSE 201, and MSE 307.

MSE 406  Thermal-Mech Behavior of Matls  credit: 3 Hours.
Fundamentals of elastic, viscoelastic and plastic deformation of materials, elementary theory of statics and dynamics of dislocations; strengthening mechanisms; behavior of composites; fracture and fatigue behavior; fundamentals of thermal behavior: heat capacity, thermal expansion and conductivity; effects of thermal stress. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Credit is not given for both MSE 406 and either ME 430 or TAM 424. Prerequisite: MSE 206; credit or concurrent registration in MSE 401.

MSE 420  Ceramic Materials & Properties  credit: 3 Hours.
Ceramic material fundamentals, emphasizing structure-property relations. Development, use, and control of the properties of a wide variety of ceramic materials from a physico-chemical point of view. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours.

MSE 421  Ceramic Processing  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Microstructure development and processing of ceramic materials, with an emphasis on structure-property-processing relationships. Processing methodologies and their effects on microstructural development. Illustration and examination of several ceramic components within this context. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 420.

MSE 422  Electrical Ceramics  credit: 3 Hours.
Electrical ceramics, from insulators to conductors, and magnetic and optical materials; the role of the processing cycle and microstructure development on the design and performance of electrical components; capacitors, resistors, and inductors; structure-property relations for pyro-, piezo-, and ferroelectric materials; perovskite and spinel based structures; varistors, thermistors, transducers, actuators, memory elements, multilayered components, and their applications. Design project. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 420.

MSE 423  Ceramic Processing Laboratory  credit: 3 Hours.
Experiments and demonstrations involving a wide range of modern ceramic processing methods will be conducted to develop fundamental understanding of the relationships between raw materials, processing methods, microstructural development, and physical properties. Lab emphasis on the underlying physics and chemistry of processing and design of processing routes to achieve desired material properties. Technical reports. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 421.

MSE 440  Mechanical Behavior of Metals  credit: 3 Hours.
Mechanical behavior of solids: crystal plasticity, dislocations, point defects and grain boundaries, creep and fatigue behavior, and fracture. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 406.
MSE 441  Metals Processing  credit: 3 Hours.
Melt, mechanical, thermal, powder, and surface processing of metals.
Extraction of metals, joining of metals, metal composites, and metal recycling.
Relationships between the processing of metals, the microstructures that are produced, and the behavior of metal components. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 406.

MSE 442  Metals Laboratory  credit: 3 Hours.
Advanced metallurgy laboratory. Effects of heat treatment; mechanical testing; oxidation and corrosion; metallography of selected alloys. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 308, MSE 440, and MSE 441.

MSE 443  Design of Engineering Alloys  credit: 3 Hours.
Application of science and engineering principles to the design, selection, and performance of engineering alloys. Alloy classes, design, effect of alloying elements, relation to processing variables, and structure-property relationships; design project. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 401 and MSE 402.

MSE 445  Corrosion of Metals  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Electrochemistry, thermodynamics, and kinetics of corrosion; behavior of ferrous and nonferrous metals; corrosion rates; corrosion control; cathodic and anodic protection; high-temperature corrosion; corrosion testing; electrolytic machining methods. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours.

MSE 450  Polymer Science & Engineering  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Polymer solution properties, conformation, and molecular weight characterization. Rheological and viscoelastic behavior: relaxations and transitions, rubber elasticity. Crystallinity, morphology, and deformation of crystalline polymers. Blends and composites. Methods of fabrication. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours.

MSE 452  Polymer Laboratory  credit: 3 Hours.
Experimental investigations of polymer synthesis, characterization (molecular, thermal, structural and electronic), processing and device fabrication. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 450.

MSE 453  Plastics Engineering  credit: 3 Hours.
Engineering characteristics of plastics; viscoelasticity, viscosity, yield, and fracture; reinforced polymers; processing; environmental considerations; applicability of technical data sheets; design (project); current advances. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 450.

MSE 454  Mechanics of Polymers  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AE 427 and TAM 427. See TAM 427.

MSE 455  Macromolecular Solids  credit: 3 Hours.
Mechanical behavior of amorphous and semi-crystalline polymers; overview of polymer structure and characterization; polymer morphology; orientation effects, rubber elasticity, polymer linear viscoelasticity using Boltzmann superposition and mechanical models; measurement of viscoelastic properties; relaxation and transitions; polymeric yield phenomena and plastic flow; deformation mechanisms; fracture and craze formation; impact and fatigue. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 450.

MSE 456  Mechanics of Composites  credit: 3 Hours.
Behavior of composite materials and their use in engineering structures: behavior and properties of the constituent fibers and matrices, micromechanical predictions of composite properties, anisotropic elasticity, behavior of composite laminae, and classical lamination theory; fracture mechanisms, failure theories; behavior of composite plates and beams. Same as AE 428 and TAM 428. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: AE 321, CEE 300, ME 330, or MSE 406.

MSE 457  Polymer Chemistry  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Methods used to make polymers including reaction mechanisms, kinetics, and analytical techniques. Emphasis on understanding how macromolecule structure, composition, and properties are controlled through a variety of synthetic approaches. Same as CHEM 480. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours.

MSE 458  Polymer Physics  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Physics of polymer systems. Equilibrium conformation, structure, properties and phase transitions of polymer solutions, dense melts, liquid crystals, mixtures, block copolymers, surfaces and interfaces, gels and rubbers, biopolymers, and electronic polymers. Same as CHEM 482. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 401.

MSE 460  Electronic Materials I  credit: 3 Hours.
Materials science, engineering, and processing of semiconductors. Semiconductor structure and chemistry relationships to electronic and optical properties. Control of processing to achieve desired properties; design and production of novel materials. 3 graduate hours. 3 undergraduate hours. Prerequisite: ECE 340; MSE 304 or PHYS 460.

MSE 461  Electronic Materials II  credit: 3 Hours.
Materials science, engineering, and processing of microlithographic materials, conductors, and dielectrics for electronic applications. Performance related to materials properties and processing. Processing commonly used in microelectronic circuit manufacture for metallization, dielectric formation, and lithography. 3 graduate hours. 3 undergraduate hours. Prerequisite: ECE 340.

MSE 462  Electronic Materials Lab  credit: 3 Hours.
Fabrication, analysis, and properties of thin film materials. Principles and practice of (i) deposition of thin film materials by vacuum evaporation, sputtering and plasma assisted processes; (ii) modification of properties by thermal reaction, surface treatment, etc.; (iii) characterization of key properties including electrical conductivity, optical properties, and stress. Methods to optimize the film microstructure and engineering properties via growth techniques. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: ECE 340.

MSE 466  Materials in Electrochem Syst  credit: 3 Hours.
Materials issues in electrochemical systems including fundamental thermodynamics, kinetics and electrode processes in electrochemical systems and materials specific issues in the materials design, materials in energy storage and conversion systems, and electrochemical corrosion. Emphasis placed on issues of materials selection, microstructure, systems design, materials limitations, and data analysis. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Credit is not given for both MSE 466 and CHEM 524.

MSE 470  Design and Use of Biomaterials  credit: 3 Hours.
Characterization and use of biomaterials in medical applications. Concepts of biocompatibility in terms of structure and properties of materials and interactions between materials and proteins, cells, and tissue. Issues related to the design of biomaterials. Design of biomaterials to meet specific medical needs. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: Credit or concurrent registration in both MCB 252 and either CHEM 232 or MSE 403.
MSE 472  Biomaterials Laboratory  credit: 3 Hours.
Experiments involving the chemistry and physics of biomaterials, biocompatibility of materials, tissue regeneration, rheology of biomaterials and tissues, structural studies of biomaterials, and controlled release of small molecules and drugs. Laboratory techniques for protein purification, cytotoxicity testing, tissue culture, mechanical testing, microscopy, and X-ray diffraction. Same as BIOE 473. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 470.

MSE 473  Biomolecular Materials Science  credit: 3 Hours.
Fundamental and unifying principles in biomolecular materials science. Nucleic acids, proteins, lipids, and sugars. Specific and non-specific interactions which govern biomolecular behavior in a wide range of contexts (e.g., self-assembly, cell adhesion). Present knowledge and empirical evidence integrated with discussions of experimental characterization and manipulation techniques in biotechnology. Application of course content and expository research into current literature via a case study term project. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours.

MSE 474  Biomaterials and Nanomedicine  credit: 3 Hours.
Design and synthesis of polymeric biomaterials and nanobiomaterials for their applications in drug and gene delivery. Part (1) fundamental biopolymer synthesis: functional group protection and de-protection; bioconjugation; protein pegylation and design and synthesis of natural and synthetic non-degradable and degradable polymers, hydrogels, bio-inspired materials, and stimuli responsive biomaterials. Part (2) preparation of nanomedicines for drug and gene delivery: nanofabrication of micelles, nanoparticles, protein conjugates, drug conjugates, nanocapsulates, and polymeric vesicles; in-vitro and in-vivo small-molecule, gene, and protein delivery. Impact of the chemical structures of biopolymers on the stability, biocompatibility, toxicity, and in-vitro and in-vivo efficacy; clinical translation of the resulting nanomedicines in drug delivery. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: CHEM 236 or MSE 457; MCB 450.

MSE 480  Surfaces and Colloids  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Chemistry and physics of surfaces and interfaces, with emphasis on behavior in liquid media. Surface composition; surface and interfacial forces; colloidal stability and flocculation; amphiphilic molecules. Same as CHEM 488. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 401.

MSE 481  Electron Microscopy  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Theory and application of transmission electron microscopy and diffraction with emphasis on thin crystals; electron optics, interference phenomena, interpretation of images and diffraction patterns; specimen preparation. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 405.

MSE 484  Composite Materials  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Metal, ceramic, and polymer matrix composites. Interrelationships between processing, microstructure, and properties. Selecting composite materials for different engineering applications. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 201 and MSE 206.

MSE 485  Atomic Scale Simulations  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Application of Monte Carlo and Molecular Dynamics techniques in primarily classical simulations to understand and predict properties of microscopic systems in materials science, physics, biology, and chemistry. Numerical algorithms, connections between simulation results and real properties of materials (structural or thermodynamic), and statistical and systematic error estimation using real simulation programs. Simulation project comprised of scientific research, algorithm development, and presentation. Same as CSE 485 and PHYS 466. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 401; one of C, C++, or Fortran programming experience.

MSE 487  Materials for Nanotechnology  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Survey of the synthesis, processing, structure properties and technological applications of materials with nanometer dimensions. Semiconductor nanocrystals and size-dependent optical properties; metal nanostructures and plasmonics; nanowires and nanotubes; electronics and optoelectronics; nanoscale heterostructures; assembly and fabrication. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MSE 401 and PHYS 214.

MSE 488  Optical Materials  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Optical properties of materials of current and potential technological importance and application to devices. Applicable optics fundamentals based on Maxwell’s equations. Liquid crystals for displays; photopolymers for holographic data storage; electro-optic materials for high speed light modulators; electroluminescent materials for light emitting diodes. Application of optics, materials and chemistry in design of practical devices. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: MATH 285 and PHYS 214.

MSE 489  Matl Select for Sustainability  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Quantitative methods to optimize the selection of materials including traditional (minimize mass or volume, maximize performance) and sustainability (minimize energy consumption and CO2 emission during synthesis, maximize recyclability) goals. Tradeoff methods to optimize both via engineering design and materials selection for product lifetime, economic outlay and return, time dynamics and materials consumption, recycling, and disposal. Application of commercial software to optimize selections. For engineering and science majors only. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours.

MSE 492  Lab Safety Fundamentals  credit: 1 Hour.
Key aspects of laboratory setups, operating procedures, and emergency preparedness measures necessary for the experimentalist. Same as CHEM 494. 1 undergraduate hour. 1 graduate hour. Approved for S/U grading only.

MSE 497  Independent Study  credit: 1 to 4 Hours.
Individual study of any topic in materials science and engineering under the supervision of a member of the faculty. 1 to 4 undergraduate hours. 1 to 4 graduate hours. May be repeated to a maximum of 4 hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

MSE 498  Special Topics  credit: 1 to 4 Hours.
Subject offerings of new and developing areas of knowledge in materials science and engineering intended to augment the existing curriculum. See Class Schedule or departmental course information for topics and prerequisites. 1 to 4 undergraduate hours. 1 to 4 graduate hours. May be repeated in the same or separate terms if topics vary.
MSE 499  Senior Thesis  credit: 1 to 5 Hours.
Individual research in an area of materials science and engineering under the supervision of members of the staff. 1 to 5 undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite: Grade point average of 3.0 and consent of instructor.