MATERIALS ENGINEERING, BSE

Everything we use is made of some material or combination of materials. Materials science is involved with all the processes that turn natural resources into useful products that impact all facets of our economy such as aerospace, electronics, transportation, communication, construction, recreation, entertainment and environment.

Concentrations

- Biomaterials
- Materials for energy application
- Materials processing
- Advanced materials characterization
- Metal casting
- Specific courses in ceramics, polymers, composites, and electronic materials

Research

Work with faculty ([http://uwm.edu/engineering/classification/faculty/materials-science-engineering/](http://uwm.edu/engineering/classification/faculty/materials-science-engineering/)) engaged in leading-edge research in areas such as:

- Polymer solar cells
- Materials for advanced drug delivery
- Manufacturing processes
- Structural analysis of aerospace materials
- Materials for energy storage
- Application of nanomaterials in construction
- Self-healing metals and advanced metal-matrix composites

Career Paths

Materials engineers work in a wide range of jobs across diverse industries. Many of today’s significant scientific and technological advances come from materials engineers.

- Research Scientist
- Application Technologist
- Materials and Process Engineer
- Quality Engineer
- Materials Engineering Manager
- Product Engineer
- Geotechnical / Materials Engineer

Accreditation

The Materials Engineering program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET: [https://www.abet.org](https://www.abet.org) ([https://tinyurl.com/u7fsfevw/](https://tinyurl.com/u7fsfevw/)).

New Freshmen

Admission to the College of Engineering and Applied Science is based on an overall assessment of both academic and non-academic qualifications. The primary review factors for admission are the strength and quality of the high school curriculum, high school class percentile, grade point average, and the result of the ACT or SAT. Well-prepared freshman applicants will have four years of mathematics (including one-and-a-half years of algebra, one year of geometry, and one-half year of trigonometry) and four years of natural science (including biology, chemistry, and physics). The College also will consider non-academic qualifications such as leadership skills, diversity in personal background, work experience, motivation, and maturity.

Freshmen applicants will be considered for admission directly to the major or to intended status (Engineering-Intended or Computer Science-Intended). Admission directly to the major is selective.

Transfer Students

Transfer student admission is based on an overall assessment of both academic and non-academic qualifications. For transfer applicants, the primary factors considered for admission are the grade point average on transferable courses and the level of curriculum completion. The College also will consider non-academic qualifications such as leadership skills, diversity in personal background, work experience, motivation, and maturity.

Transfer applicants will be considered for admission directly to the major or to intended status (Engineering-Intended or Computer Science-Intended).

Admission to the Major

Students admitted to Engineering-Intended or Computer Science-Intended may apply for major status with their academic advisor at the time they believe they meet the requirements. The program may impose major status as a prerequisite for courses numbered 200 or above.

1. Complete first semester calculus with a C or better grade.
2. Complete GER Oral and Written Communication Part A.
3. Engineering majors must complete Chem 100 with a C or better grade (or satisfactory score on the placement test). Computer Science majors must complete CompSci 251 with a C or better grade.
4. Obtain a minimum grade point as set by the major department. A 3.00 GPA guarantees admission to any CEAS major.
5. Courses required by the major may be repeated only once. No more than two courses may be repeated.

Questions on admission to CEAS or choosing a major should be directed to the Office of Student Services, (414) 229-4667.

Materials Engineering Curriculum

The minimum number of credits required to complete the Bachelor of Science in Engineering with a major in Materials Engineering is 120.

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MATLENG 402  Physical Metallurgy  3
MATLENG 410  Mechanical Behavior of Materials  3
MATLENG 411  Materials Laboratory  3
MATLENG 443  Transport Phenomena in Materials Processing  3
MATLENG 452  Ceramic Materials  3
MATLENG 453  Polymeric Materials  3
MATLENG 490  Senior Design Projects I  1
MATLENG 491  Senior Design Projects II  3

Mathematics Requirement (16 credits)  
MATH 231  Calculus and Analytic Geometry I  4
MATH 232  Calculus and Analytic Geometry II  4
MATH 233  Calculus and Analytic Geometry III  4
ELECENG 234  Analytical Methods in Engineering  3

Chemistry Requirement (5-10 credits)  
Select one of the following:  5-10
CHEM 105  General Chemistry for Engineering (Suggested)
CHEM 102 & CHEM 104  General Chemistry and General Chemistry and Qualitative Analysis

Physics Requirement (10 credits)  
Select one of the following options:  10
Option 1:
PHYSICS 219 & PHYSICS 220  Physics I: Calculus-Based, Studio Format and Physics II: Calculus-Based, Studio Format (recommended)
Option 2:
PHYSICS 209 & PHYSICS 214  Physics I (Calculus Treatment) and Lab Physics I (Calculus Treatment)
PHYSICS 210 & PHYSICS 215  Physics II (Calculus Treatment) and Lab Physics II (Calculus Treatment)

Technical Electives (24 credits)  
Select 24 credits from approved technical elective lists.  24

Free Electives (1 credit)  1

GER Distribution Requirement (15 credits)  
Arts  3
Humanities  3
Social Science  6
ENGLISH 310  Writing, Speaking, and Technoscience in the 21st Century  3

Cultural Diversity - Arts, Humanities, or Social Science course must also satisfy UWM Cultural Diversity Requirement
Students must also satisfy Oral and Written Communication (OWC) Part A  0-6
Students must also Satisfy the UWM Foreign Language requirements (0-8)  0-8

Total Credits  120

1  COMPSCI 151, COMPSCI 202 or COMPSCI 250 may substitute for COMPSCI 240.
2  MATH 221, MATH 222 and two free electives may substitute for MATH 231, MATH 232 and MATH 233.
3  MATH 234 may substitute for ELECENG 234.
4  See General Education Requirements (http://catalog.uwm.edu/policies/undergraduate-policies/#generaleducationtext) for details.

Technical Electives  
24 credits of technical electives are to be selected from the following lists.

Code  Title  Credits

Group A1 Technical Electives (Structure)  
Select at least 2 courses from the following:
MATLENG 380  Engineering Basis for Materials Selection
MATLENG 461  Environmental Degradation of Materials
MATLENG/MECHENG 465  Friction and Wear
MATLENG 481  Electronic Materials
MATLENG 483  Materials for Energy Systems
MATLENG 511  Advanced Materials Characterization
MATLENG 585  Advanced Biomaterials

Group A2 Technical Electives (Processing)  
Select at least 2 courses from the following:
MATLENG 431  Welding Engineering
MATLENG 456  Metal Casting Engineering
MATLENG 457  Engineering Composites
MATLENG 460  Nanomaterials and Nanomanufacturing
MATLENG 471  Heat Treatment of Materials

Group B Technical Electives  
Select up to 6 credits from the following:
Any BIO SCI course 150-level or above
Any BME, CIV ENG, COMPSCI, ELECENG, IND ENG, MECHENG course 300-level or above
CHEM 104, CHEM 221, or any CHEM course 300-level or above
EAS 1  Engineering Co-op Work Period
ENGLISH 206  Technical Writing
ENGLISH 428  Strategic Writing for Organizations
ENGLISH 429  Technical Communications and Professional Leadership
ENGLISH 435  Rhetoric and Professional Writing
Any GEO SCI course 300-level or above
IND ENG 112  Engineering Drawing & Computer Aided Design/Drafting
Any MATH course 300-level or above
MATLENG 699  Independent Study
MECHENG 110  Engineering Fundamentals I
MECHENG 111  Engineering Fundamentals II

1  Students who earn 3 or more credits of Co-op may use 3 of those credits as approved technical electives.
Minimum Requirements
Students must maintain an average GPA of at least 2.00 on all work attempted at the University and in all courses offered by the College. Students majoring in biomedical engineering, computer engineering, computer science, industrial engineering, and materials engineering must maintain an average GPA of at least 2.00 in all 300-level and above courses in the student’s major department. Students majoring in civil engineering, electrical engineering, and mechanical engineering must maintain an average GPA of at least 2.50 in all 300-level and above courses in the major department. Transferable courses will be included as appropriate. Advancement to major status is required for graduation.

In order to provide maximum flexibility while preserving the institutional identity of a UWM degree, the College requires residence:

1. during the last 30 credits, or
2. during 45 of the last 60 credits, or
3. during any 90 credits of a student’s undergraduate career.

At least 15 credits of advanced work in the major must be completed in residence at UWM.

A student who does not maintain continuous registration during the academic year and is re-admitted to the College must meet the program and graduation requirements in effect at the time of re-entry.

Degree and major requirements must be completed within 10 years of initial enrollment at UW-Milwaukee. Should students not complete the major within the 10-year time frame, the students will switch to the most current degree and major requirements. A new 10-year time frame would then begin.

Dual Majors
Students wishing to major in more than one field can do so in two ways:

1. Complete the requirements for more than one major before receiving a degree from the College. In this case, the degree will list both majors.
2. Be admitted to the College as a second degree candidate (after earning a bachelor’s degree in any field), providing University and College entrance requirements are met. Such a student must meet all undergraduate degree requirements in the College and present a minimum of 30 credits beyond the previous bachelor’s degree.

Concurrent Registration at Other Institutions
CEAS students wishing to establish concurrent enrollment at another institution must obtain prior permission from their academic advisor.

Student Academic Appeals
Students may appeal an academic action to the Office of Student Services. An appeal is a request for an exception to an established policy or rule. The content of each appeal is carefully reviewed in order to reach a decision. Appeals should be submitted in writing to the Office of Student Services. The appeals committee considers individual cases concerning the degree requirements and other academic rules and regulations established by the College of Engineering and Applied Science faculty.

The College of Engineering and Applied Science has established written procedures for undergraduate student academic grievances. Copies of the grievance procedure are available in the Office of Student Services. As a first step, students must discuss the grievance with the faculty member or administrator as soon as possible to attempt to resolve the issue, but not later than 30 days after the action that prompted the grievance/appeal.

Computer Science and Engineering Programs
Detailed descriptions of the CEAS undergraduate programs are provided in this catalog. All courses are not offered every semester. A few technical elective courses may be offered only once every three to four semesters. In addition, since computer science and engineering curricula are continually evolving to keep current, students are encouraged to consult with their advisors to plan each semester’s list of classes. Part-time students should always maintain a plan that looks ahead two to three semesters to avoid scheduling difficulties.

The curricula outlined in the pages are applicable to new students entering CEAS in fall 2016 or later. Students who enrolled in computer science or engineering programs prior to that date should consult with the appropriate previous editions of this catalog for information about their program requirements. As a general rule, when program changes occur, continuing students have the choice of continuing in their existing program or following the new requirements. Occasionally, a program change will be required of all students regardless of their date of matriculation, so long as it does not increase the total credits needed for graduation.

These program descriptions represent the minimum requirements for graduation from UWM in computer science or engineering. In all cases, it is important that students consult with their advisor before making course selections to avoid errors in programming.

Academic Advising
The Office of Student Services in the College of Engineering and Applied Science, located in Room E386 of the Engineering and Mathematical Sciences Building, offers undergraduate students academic advising from professional advisors who are familiar with the curriculum, College requirements, and the special needs of engineering and computer science students. These advisors provide services such as freshman orientation, course selection, program planning, and credit transfer evaluation. Students are assigned to a permanent professional advisor as soon as they are accepted into the College, and are urged to confer with their advisor at least once each semester. Students also are assigned to a faculty advisor who provides technical expertise specific to the student’s area of study.

We understand that it can be a delicate balance managing school, work, family, and active social lives. The College of Engineering and Applied Science advisors are here to help you achieve that balance.

You will be assigned a professional academic advisor upon being admitted to the College of Engineering & Applied Science. Your advisor will work with you throughout your undergraduate experience, providing guidance on:

• course registration,
• graduation planning,
• career preparation,
Advisors are also a great source of information on student organizations, tutoring and scholarship opportunities.

In addition to professional academic advisors, you will also have access to faculty advisors. These advisors can provide insights into the technical aspects of the engineering and computer science curricula while mentoring you as you define your professional goals.

**Honors in the Major**

Students in the Materials Engineering major who meet all of the following criteria can be awarded honors in the major upon graduation:

1. A 3.000 cumulative GPA in all UWM graded credits;
2. A 3.500 GPA over all CEAS courses counting toward the Materials Engineering major.
3. A 3.500 GPA over all upper-division (300 level and higher) Materials Engineering (MATLENG) courses; and
4. At least one of the following:
   a. Successful completion of 3-cr of research experience via independent study MATLENG 699, subject to approval by the supervising faculty and department chair.
   b. Participation in accelerated MS program with successful completion of 6 credits in approved MATLENG courses for the MS program.

Students who believe they may qualify for honors in Materials Engineering should apply to the College of Engineering & Applied Science during their last semester of study.

**Honors in the College of Engineering and Applied Science**

**Dean's Honor List**

GPA of 3.500 or above, earned on a full-time student's GPA on 12 or more graded credits in a given semester.

**Honors College Degree and Honors College Degree with Distinction**

Granted to graduating seniors who complete Honors College requirements, as listed in the Honors College (http://catalog.uwm.edu/opportunities-resources/honors-college/) section of this site.

**Commencement Honors**

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.500 or above, based on a minimum of 40 graded UWM credits earned prior to the final semester, will receive all-university commencement honors and be awarded the traditional gold cord at the December or May Honors Convocation. Please note that for honors calculation, the GPA is not rounded and is truncated at the third decimal (e.g., 3.499).

**Final Honors**

Earned on a minimum of 60 graded UWM credits: Cum Laude - 3.500 or above; Magna Cum Laude - 3.650 or above; Summa Cum Laude - 3.800 or above.

**Joint Programs with Other Campuses**

**Pre-engineering**

Qualified students may enroll in coordinated pre-engineering programs at UW-Green Bay, UW-Parkside, and UW-Waukesha for two years of pre-engineering coursework. These coordinated programs ensure equivalent coursework, appropriate advising, and early access to the Cooperative Education Program at UWM.

**Dual Degree Programs**

Qualified students may enroll in coordinated dual degree programs at Alverno College, Carroll University, UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-La Crosse, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Whitewater and Wisconsin Lutheran College. Students in these programs will earn a bachelor’s degree at both universities in five years. Students transfer to UWM after three years at the partner university. For more information, contact the Office of Student Services at (414) 229-4667.

**Joint Programs with Wisconsin Technical Colleges**

**Gateway Technical College**

An agreement with GTC allows those students having associate degrees in the Electrical Engineering - Technology the opportunity to be given credit for courses required in the UWM bachelor of science in engineering program. For more information, contact the Office of Student Services at (414) 229-4667.

**Milwaukee Area Technical College**

An agreement with MATC allows joint admission and enrollment at MATC and CEAS. Qualified students may take English, mathematics, chemistry, and general education courses at MATC. The program ensures equivalent coursework and appropriate advising. Students complete a bachelor of science degree in engineering or computer science at UWM.

**Waukesha County Technical College**

An agreement with WCTC allows those students having associate degrees in the Industrial Occupations Division at WCTC the opportunity to be given credit for courses required in the UWM bachelor of science in engineering or bachelor of science in computer science program. For more information, contact the Office of Student Services at (414) 229-4667.