



College of Engineering
The Klipsch School of
Electrical and Computer Engineering

BSEE REQUIREMENTS

2016-2017, Rev 6

This document presents a summary of the requirements for earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering (BSEE) from New Mexico State University (NMSU). It is intended as a guide, and is in no way meant to replace or amend the 2016-2017 Undergraduate Catalog.

Catalog Selection: The requirements outlined below are specific to the 2016-2017 catalog and may be different from those of other catalogs. The requirements set forth in the 2016-2017 catalog are in effect from the beginning of the 2016 summer term until the end of the 2021 spring term. Students graduating after their catalog of matriculation has expired may meet the requirements of any catalog in effect at the time of graduation. Note, however, that changing catalogs may render classes already taken inapplicable toward graduation. Always check with an advisor before deciding to change catalogs.

Departmental Responsibilities: The Klipsch School is responsible for:

1. Providing current lists of approved elective courses for each category. The lists of approved electives are subject to change at any time. To ensure proper course selection, when registering be sure to use an up-to-date list, or check with an advisor. Lists of currently acceptable electives are also available at ece.nmsu.edu
2. Assisting students in curriculum planning, selection of electives, and scheduling.
 - a. The ECE department maintains an “Open Door” policy. All faculty members are available for consultation.
 - b. Each semester, before registering for classes, all undergraduate students must be advised. The department office maintains a list of advisor assignments.

Student Responsibilities: *It is the responsibility of each student to ensure that all the requirements for graduation have been met.* In general, each student is responsible for:

1. Following all university regulations, as listed in the 2016-2017 NMSU Catalog. The catalog is the ultimate authority when it comes to regulations, this BSEE REQUIREMENTS handout is merely a summary of the information specific to Electrical Engineering students.
2. Following all college requirements, as listed in the 2016-2017 NMSU catalog.
3. Following all departmental requirements, as listed in the 2016-2017 NMSU catalog. In particular, be aware that elective choices must be made such that:
 - a. The selected course is a **currently** approved elective in the desired category.
 - b. A minimum of 120 credits is completed, of which 45 must be numbered 300-499.

4. Taking courses in the proper sequence. Most courses have co- and/or prerequisites. These are listed in the course descriptions of the 2016-2017 NMSU catalog. A prerequisite **must** have been completed (**with a grade of `C-`, or better**) prior to enrolling in the class, while a co-requisite may be taken either at the same time, or prior to, the class. Enrolling in a class without the proper preparation is grounds for administrative removal from the course, potentially impacting on full-time status, financial aid eligibility, and/or graduation plans. A summary of the co- and prerequisites for Electrical Engineering classes is included as Table 5. Co- and prerequisites for a class may change in the future, so check the current catalog, or ask the course instructor, for the latest requirements.

Note also that some prerequisites apply universally and are not listed for individual classes. For example: the university has made ENGL 111 a prerequisite to **all** courses numbered 300-499. The college has made MATH 192 a co-requisite to all engineering courses numbered 300-499. The department has made EE 100 and EE112 a prerequisite to all EE classes numbered 300-499.

5. Monitoring their official NMSU email account. Each student is issued an email address in the @nmsu.edu domain. This address is used for official communication and students are responsible for all messages sent to that address.

Transfer Credit: Credit earned at other institutions is generally accepted, however:

- Engineering credit must be earned at an ABET accredited school.
- Physics must be calculus-based.
- If the NMSU requirement includes a laboratory, the transfer credit must include a lab.
- A grade of 'C-', or better, must have been earned.
- Cornerstone and Capstone, and EE Electives may not be transferred.

Table 1

BSEE Degree Requirements 2016-2017

General Education Requirements (43 credits)

State of New Mexico General Education Common Core (37 credits)		Credits
Area I: Written Communication	Two courses ¹	7
Oral Communication	One course ¹	3
Area II: Mathematics	Calculus I (MATH 191)	4
Area III: Natural Science	General Chemistry I ² (CHEM 111)	4
	Engineering Physics I ² (PHYS 215)	4
Area IV: Social & Behavioral Sciences	Two or Three classes ^{1,3}	6-9
Area V: Humanities & Fine Arts	Two or Three classes ^{1,3}	6-9

NMSU General Education Requirements (6 credits)

Viewing a Wider World Electives	Two courses ^{1,4}	6
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Program Specific Requirements (77-79 credits)

Mathematics & Natural Science (22 credits)

EE 200 Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics Applications ²	4
EE 240 Multivariate and Vector Calculus Applications	3
EE 340 Fields and Waves ² (Still numbered EE 351)	4
MATH 192 Calculus II	4
MATH 392 Differential Equations	3
PHYS 216 and PHYS 216L Engineering Physics II ²	4

Engineering (55-57 credits)

ENGR 100 Introduction to Engineering	3
EE 100 Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering ²	4
EE 112 Embedded Systems ²	4
EE 212 Introduction to Computer Architecture and Organization ²	4
EE 230 AC Circuit Analysis and Introduction to Power Systems ²	4
EE 300 Cornerstone Design ⁵	2
EE 317 Semiconductor Devices and Electronics ² (Still numbered EE 380)	4
EE 320 Signals and Systems I (Still numbered EE 312)	3
EE 325 Signals and Systems II ² (Still numbered EE 314)	4
EE 402 Capstone Design ⁵ (Still numbered EE 418)	3
EE Concentration Courses (Three courses from Table 2) ⁵	11 or 12
Object-Oriented Programming (One course from Table 3)	3 or 4
STEM Electives (Two courses from Table 4) ⁴	6

TOTAL

120 - 122

Notes:

1. See the 2016-2017 Undergraduate Catalog for course lists and details.
2. Including laboratory.
3. Students must complete 15 total credits from these two areas, with at least 6 credits from each area.
4. Three 300+ courses (9 credits) in one specific subject count as a VWV course for that subject. Commonly, E E students take upper division MATH or C S courses as STEM Electives. For that reason, it is advised NOT to take a VWV course from the College of Arts and Sciences, at least until all STEM Electives are chosen.
5. Transfer credit not accepted.

Table 2 Electrical and Computer Engineering Concentrations

Select One Concentration Area or No Concentration
Completed Concentration will be Appear on Transcript and Diploma

Circuits and Computers (11 credits)

Required (4 cr each):

- EE 363 Computer Systems Architecture (Change to number > 450)
- EE 480 Introduction to Analog and Digital VLSI

Choose one (3 cr each):

- EE 443 Mobile Application Development
- EE 469 Communications Networks
- EE 482 Electronics II
- EE 483 RF Microelectronics
- EE 485 Analog VLSI Design
- EE 486 Digital VLSI Design

Communications and Signal Processing (11 credits)

Required (4 cr each):

- EE 395 Introduction to Digital Signal Processing (Needs new Lab)
- EE 496 Introduction to Communications Systems

Choose one (3 cr each):

- EE 446 Digital Image Processing
- EE 469 Communications Networks
- EE 497 Digital Communication Systems I

Control and Power (11 credits)

Required (4 cr each):

- EE 431 Power Systems II (Needs new Lab)
- EE 475 Automatic Control Systems (Needs new Lab)

Choose one (3 cr each):

- EE 432 Power Electronics
- EE 437 Energy Harvesting
- EE 476 Computer Control Systems
- EE 493 Power Systems III
- EE 494 Distribution Systems

Electromagnetics and Photonics (11 or 12 credits)

Required (4 cr each):

- EE 454 Antennas and Radiation (Needs new Lab)
- EE 473 Introduction to Optics (Needs new Lab)

Choose one (3 or 4 cr each):

- EE 449 Smart Antennas
- EE 452 Introduction to Radar
- EE 453 Microwave Engineering
- EE 477 Fiber Optic Communication Systems
- EE 478 Optical Sources, Detectors and Radiometry
- EE 479 Lasers and Applications
- EE 483 RF Microelectronics

No Concentration (12 credits total)

One of the required courses from each of three specializations

Table 3 Object-Oriented Programming Elective

Select One Course (3 or 4 credits)

C S 172	Computer Science I (Java)	(4 cr)
C S 177	C++ Programming	(3 cr)
C S 187	Java Programming	(3 cr)
C S 271	Object-Oriented Programming (C++)	(4 cr)

Table 4 STEM Electives

Select Two Courses (6 credits)

1. Any additional 300+ course in E E from Table 2
2. Any 500+ course in E E (written permission required)
3. Any 300+ in A E, C E, CHME, I E, M E (see Exception List below)
4. Any 300+ in ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, C S, MATH, PHYS, STAT (see Exception List below)

STEM Elective Exception List (Courses NOT allowed as STEM Electives)

C E/CHME/E E/E T/I E/M E 330	Environmental Management Seminar I
C E/CHME/E E/E T/I E/M E 430	Environmental Management Seminar II
C E 355V ¹	Technology and the Global Environment
CHME 395V ¹	Brewing Science and Society
ASTR 301V ¹	Revolutionary Ideas in Astronomy
ASTR 305V ¹	The Search for Life in the Universe
ASTR 308V ¹	Into the Final Frontier
ASTR 330V ¹	Planetary Exploration
CHEM 310V ¹	Chemistry and Society
C S 450 ²	C Programming
C S 451	C++ Programming (similar to C S 177)
C S 452	Java Programming (similar to C S 187)
C S 460-469	... Transition (courses intended for C S graduate students)
C S 484 ²	Computer Networks I
MATH 411V ¹	Great Theorems: The Art of Mathematics
PHYS 303V ¹	Energy and Society in the New Millennium
PHYS 305V ¹	The Search for Water in the Solar System
PHYS 473 ²	Introduction to Optics
PHYS 477 ²	Fiber Optic Communication
PHYS 478 ²	Fundamentals of Photonics
PHYS 479 ²	Lasers and Applications
STAT 371 ²	Statistics for Engineers and Scientists I

- Notes:
1. All Viewing a Wider World Courses NOT allowed
 2. Courses with similar/same content found in E E courses NOT allowed

Table 5Co- and Pre-requisites, (**Required courses in 2016-2017 catalog in bold**)

Course	Title	Pre-requisites ¹	Pre/Co-requisites
E E 100	Intro to Electrical & Computer Engin.		MATH 190
E E 112	Embedded Systems	E E 100	
E E 161	Computer Aided Prob. Solving (to be deleted)		MATH 190
E E 162	Digital Circuit Design (to be deleted)	MATH 190 and E E 161	
E E 200	Linear Algebra, Probability, Statistics Apps	MATH 192 and E E 112	
E E 210	Engineering Analysis I (to be deleted)	MATH 192 and E E 161	
E E 212	Intro to Computer Archit. & Organization	MATH 190 and E E 112	
E E 230	AC Circuit Analysis & Intro to Power Sys.	MATH 192, PHYS 215 and E E 100	
E E 240	Multivariate and Vector Calculus Apps	E E 200	
E E 260	Embedded Systems (to be deleted)	E E 162	
E E 280	DC & AC Circuits (to be deleted)	MATH 192 and PHYS 216	
E E 300	Cornerstone Design	E E 212 and E E 230	
E E 310	Engineering Analysis II (to be deleted)	MATH 291 and E E 210	
E E 312	Signals & Systems I (to become E E 320)	E E 210, E E 280 and MATH 392	
E E 314	Signals & Systems II (to become E E 325)	E E 312	
E E 351	App. Electromagnetics (to become E E 340)	E E 280 and E E 310	
E E 363	Computer Systems Architecture I	E E 260	
E E 380	Electronics I (to become E E 317)	E E 162, E E 280 and CHEM 111	
E E 391	Intro to Electric Power Engin. (to be deleted)	E E 280	
E E 395	Introduction to Digital Signal Processing	E E 314	
E E 400	Undergraduate Research		
E E 402	Capstone Design	E E 300, E E 314, E E 351 & E E 380	
E E 418	Capstone Design I (to be deleted)	E E 260, 314, 351, 380 and 391	E E 461
E E 419	Capstone Design II (to be deleted)	E E 418	
E E 425	Introduction to Semiconductor Devices	E E 351 and E E 380	
E E 426	Introduction to Smart Grid	E E 280	
E E 431	Power Systems II	E E 391	
E E 432	Power Electronics	E E 380 and E E 391	E E 314
E E 437	Energy Harvesting	E E 380 and E E 391	
E E 443	Mobile Application Development	E E 161, C S 172, C S 271, C S 450, C S 451 or C S 452	
E E 446	Digital Image Processing	E E 395	
E E 447	Neural Signal Processing	E E 314	
E E 449	Smart Antennas	E E 314 and E E 351	
E E 452	Introduction to Radar	E E 351	E E 496
E E 453	Microwave Engineering	E E 351	
E E 454	Antennas and Radiation	E E 351	
E E 460	Satellite Design	Junior Standing	
E E 461	Program Management	Junior Standing	
E E 469	Digital Communications Networks	E E 162 and E E 210	
E E 470	Physical Optics	E E 370 and PHYS 216	
E E 471	Modern Experimental Optics		E E 470
E E 473	Introduction to Optics	PHYS 216	
E E 475	Control Systems II	E E 314	
E E 476	Computer Control Systems	E E 314	
E E 477	Fiber Optic Communication Systems	E E 351	
E E 478	Optical Sources, Detectors, and Radiometry	E E 370 and PHYS 216	
E E 479	Lasers and Applications	E E 351	
E E 480	Introduction to VLSI	E E 260 and E E 380	
E E 482	Electronics II	E E 380	
E E 483	RF Microelectronics	E E 351 and E E 480	
E E 485	Analog VLSI Design	E E 312 and E E 480	
E E 486	Digital VLSI Design	E E 480	
E E 490	Selected Topics	Consent of Instructor	
E E 493	Power Systems III	E E 391	
E E 494	Distribution Systems	E E 431	E E 493
E E 496	Introduction to Communications Systems	E E 314	
E E 497	Digital Communications Systems I	E E 314	

Notes: 1. A grade of C-, or better, is required in all prerequisite classes.

Table 6

Equivalent Courses between New and Old Curricula

New Curriculum (2016+ Catalog)		Old Curriculum (Prior to 2016 Catalog)	
Course	Title	Course	Title
E E 100	Introduction to Electrical & Computer Engin.	E E 162	Digital Circuit Design
E E 112	Embedded Systems	E E 161	Computer Aided Prob. Solving AND
		E E 260	Embedded Systems
E E 200	Linear Algebra, Probability, Statistics Apps	E E 210	Engineering Analysis I
E E 212	Intro to Computer Archit. & Organization	E E 363	Computer Systems Architecture I
E E 230	AC Circuit Analysis & Intro to Power Sys.	E E 280	DC & AC Circuits AND
		E E 391	Intro to Electric Power Engineering
E E 240	Multivariate and Vector Calculus Apps	E E 310	Engineering Analysis II
E E 300	Cornerstone Design	E E 418	Capstone Design I
E E 317	Semiconductor Devices and Electronics	E E 380	Electronics I
E E 320	Signals & Systems I	E E 312	Signals & Systems I
E E 325	Signals & Systems II	E E 314	Signals & Systems II
E E 340	Fields and Waves	E E 351	App. Electromagnetics
E E 402	Capstone Design	E E 419	Capstone Design II

BSEE Sample Degree Plan

(120 – 122 Credits)

FRESHMAN-FIRST YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Course #	CR	Course #	CR
EE 100 Intro Electrical & Comp. Engin.	4	CHEM 111 General Chemistry I	4
ENG 100 Freshman Experience	3	EE 112 Embedded Systems	4
ENGL 111G Rhetoric & Composition	4	MATH 192 Calculus II	4
MATH 191 Calculus I	4	<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3
	15		15

SOPHOMORE-SECOND YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Course #	CR	Course #	CR
EE 212 Intro Comp Arch & Org	4	MATH 392 Differential Equations	3
EE 200 Linear Alg, Prob & Stat Apps	4	EE 230 AC Circuits & Intro Power Sys.	4
PHYS 215 + 215L Physics I	4	EE 240 Multivariate & Vector Calc Apps	3
<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3	PHYS 216 + 216L Physics II	4
	15		14

JUNIOR-THIRD YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Course #	CR	Course #	CR
EE 300 Cornerstone Design	2	EE 317 Semicond. & Electronics	4
EE 320 Signals & Systems I	3	EE 325 Signals & Systems II	4
EE 340 Fields & Waves	4	EE Concentration Required	4
<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3	<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3
<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3		
	15		15

SENIOR-FOURTH YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Course #	CR	Course #	CR
EE Concentration Required	4	OO Programming Elective	3
STEM Elective	3	EE Concentration Elective	3
EE 400 Capstone Design	3	STEM Elective	3
<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3	<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3
<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3	<i>General Edu Req (I,IV,V or VWW)</i>	3
	16		15

General Education Requirement:

- (2) courses from Area I (wait till 2nd year to take ENGL 218G Technical & Scientific Communication)
- (2) or (3) courses from Area IV,
- (3) or (2) courses from Area V, and
- (2) Viewing a Wider World (VWW) courses.

ECE Core Curriculum Flowchart (2016-2017)

