



Mechanical Engineering Doctoral Degree Plans

The purpose of the degree plan is to show how and when requirements will be met. The degree plan is a working document and may be updated regularly to reflect the student's developing research focus and career goals.

Students are bound by the requirements of the catalog in force at the time of their first registration. PhD students must submit their degree plan by the end of the first year.

Transfer of graduate level credit into the doctoral program in mechanical engineering is limited to a maximum of 33 semester credit hours. **All graduate coursework, whether taken at UTD or transferred from another university, must be approved by the PhD student's research advisor on the degree plan.**

Start term: Summer 2024 – Fall 2024 – Spring 2025

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Start term: Summer 2023 – Fall 2023 – Spring 2024

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Start term: Summer 2022 – Fall 2022 – Spring 2023

- [Dynamic Systems and Controls](#)
- [Manufacturing and Design Innovation](#)
- [Mechanics and Materials](#)
- [Thermal and Fluid Sciences](#)

Our office no longer accepts paper documents. Degree plans should be filled out and approved electronically, then emailed to the [ME GRAD](#) office. When digitally signing a document make sure the UTD email address is visible in the signature panes.

Degree Plan Approval:

Students are required to obtain the approval of their **research advisor** on the degree plan.

Students may **request to change their concentration area** prior to their graduating semester by submitting a new degree plan (22-23 catalog). All requests to change a student's concentration area in Galaxy must be approved by the [Graduate Program Administrator](#) on the [Change of Sub-Plan Request Form](#).