The purpose 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.**

MS students must elect a concentration area and submit a degree plan by the end of the **first year**. A minimum of twenty-four credit hours must be MECH or MECH cross-listed coursework. No more than two 5000-level courses will count in the MS degree plan.

### Summer 2022 – Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
- Dynamic Systems and Controls
- DSC Thesis Track
- Manufacturing and Design Innovation
- MDI Thesis Track
- Mechanics and Materials
- MM Thesis Track
- Thermal and Fluid Sciences
- TFS Thesis Track

### Summer 2021 – Fall 2021 – Spring 2022
- 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 Ashley Bradberry. When digitally signing a document make sure the UTD email address is visible in the signature panes.

**Degree Plan Approval:**
Students elect the **thesis option** by obtaining the approval of their **research advisor** on the degree plan.

**Non-Thesis** degree plan review and approval is provided by **Dong Qian**, the Associate Department Head for Graduate Education in Mechanical Engineering.

Students may **request to change their concentration area** by submitting a new degree plan. All requests to change the concentration area in Galaxy must be approved by Ashley Bradberry on the **Change of Sub-Plan Request Form**.