Master of Engineering in Chemical Engineering
Unit: Speed School of Engineering (https://engineering.louisville.edu/)
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Department: Chemical Engineering (https://engineering.louisville.edu/
academics/departments/chemical/)
Academic Plan Code(s): CHE_MEN

Program Information

General Information
The Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering degree will provide a
student with the basis to be able to complete the Master of Engineering
(MEng) in Chemical Engineering degree. The Master of Engineering in
Chemical Engineering degree program is accredited by the Engineering
Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET, www.abet.org (http://
www.abet.org).

Since the Chemical Engineering MEng is accredited as part of a five-
year program with one-year of co-op experience, it is only available for
students who have matriculated through the Chemical Engineering
bachelor degree program at Speed School. Therefore, students who
earn an undergraduate degree at a school or university other than the
University of Louisville pursue the MS degree instead of the MEng degree.

Master of Engineering Program Educational Objectives
The purpose of the five-year Master of Engineering Program is to bring
together the faculty, staff, and capital resources to meet the following
program educational objectives:

a. Educate and train graduates with the academic background and
   practical experiences necessary to function as chemical engineering
   professionals at an advanced level in a modern, ever-changing world
   in accordance with the mission of the department

b. Produce graduates who demonstrate competence by being selected
   for employment by high level industrial, academic and government
   entities

c. Provide our graduates with the foundation for the development of a
   successful career and with the understanding that life-long learning is
   necessary to this development

d. Ensure that our graduates understand the broad societal, ethical and
   professional issues of the engineering profession

d. an ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in
   engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must
   consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic,
   environmental, and societal contexts

e. an ability to function effectively on a team whose members together
   provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment,
   establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives

f. an ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation,
   analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw
   conclusions

g. an ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using
   appropriate learning strategies.

Residency
All graduate students are expected to make steady and satisfactory
progress toward the completion of degrees. A candidate for the Master of
Engineering degree who does not register for credit hours must maintain
active registration by paying a fee each semester for MEng residency
until the degree is awarded (i.e., the candidate must maintain continuous
registration, including summer terms, in Graduate Studies). Failure to
pay the MEng residency fee will be cause to cancel a student's residency.
Students who are not enrolled for a period of more than 12 months
will be considered to have withdrawn from the program. In order to be
restored to residency, the student must submit a new application, have
the recommendation of the department chair, receive the approval of the
Associate Dean and pay the fee for each of the semesters during which
the residency was void.

Academic Performance
The J.B. Speed School of Engineering has established the following
performance policies:

a. The minimum grade point average requirement for good standing is
   3.00 for all academic work completed while in graduate studies.

b. Any student with a cumulative graduate GPA below 3.00 will be
   placed on academic warning. Students on academic warning are
   limited to enrollment for thirteen (13) credit hours in a fall or spring
   semester and seven (7) credit hours for summer terms.

Students who do not bring their cumulative graduate GPA back at
or above a 3.00 in the semester immediately following Academic
Warning, will be placed on Academic Probation for the next semester of
enrollment. Students on probation are limited to enrollment for
thirteen (13) credit hours in a fall or spring semester and seven (7)
credit hours for summer terms. Any student who remains in academic
probation for two consecutive terms may be considered for dismissal
from the program.

c. Students receiving graduate assistantships (teaching, research or
   service) shall be provided adequate training and shall be required
   to understand and adhere to University policies related to these
   areas. The performance of teaching, research and service duties by
   such students shall be periodically evaluated. Students with teaching
   assistantships shall be evaluated annually.

d. Students who fail to meet performance goals or who do not meet
   other requirements as outlined in the admission letter, program
   requirements or the university catalog may be subject to academic
   dismissal from their programs.

e. A maximum of eight (8) credit hours of graduate level courses
   taken as an undergraduate may be used to satisfy MEng degree
Degree Requirements

The following degree requirements are mandatory of all master of engineering candidates:

a. The program of study must be completed with a 3.00 GPA or better for all graduate courses used to satisfy degree requirements. Additionally, the program of study must be completed with a 3.00 GPA or better for all academic work attempted in graduate studies.

b. Master’s degree students must take at least 24 credit hours of coursework at the University of Louisville to satisfy the residency requirement for the master’s degree. A maximum of six (6) credit hours of graduate credit may be transferred from accredited institutions.

c. Students following the thesis option must follow the Procedures and Standards for Master of Engineering Theses.

d. The total requirements must be completed within six years after admission into graduate studies. The time limit imposed by the rule may be extended in individual cases upon recommendation of the department chair and approval of the associate dean for academic and student affairs.

e. The MEng degree cannot be conferred prior to the BS degree.

Admission Standards

Since the Chemical Engineering MEng is accredited as part of a five-year program with one-year of co-op experience, it is only available for students who have matriculated through the Chemical Engineering bachelor degree program at Speed School.

The application form is available online (https://engineering.louisville.edu/meng-graduate-application-form/).

The requirements for admission or readmission to a master of engineering program are:

1. Submission of a completed MEng application for the field of specialization in which the student is earning a bachelor degree from the J.B. Speed School of Engineering. Students can be admitted to the MEng program with fewer than thirteen (13) credit hours of BS degree requirements remaining and no later than two years post-conferral of their baccalaureate degree;

2. Recommendation by the faculty and chair of the student’s department for admission or readmission to graduate studies;

3. Cumulative baccalaureate grade point average of 2.75. However, those students with cumulative baccalaureate grade-point averages from 2.50 to 2.75 may be admitted upon petition and approval of the chair and faculty of the department.

A student becomes a candidate for the master of engineering degree upon admission to graduate studies and initial registration as a graduate student.

Program Requirements

The Master of Engineering in Chemical Engineering degree requires the following over and above the Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering Degree.