

2025 - 2026 <u>ECE</u> M.S. / Ph.D. Degree Planner: Communication Theory & Systems (EC77)

- Minimum of 12 units (Plan I) or 16 units (Plan II) must be 201+ ECE courses that must count towards your degree.
- All courses counted towards the degree must be taken for a letter grade and for 4 units, with the exception of research units.
- Students CANNOT repeat a course unless they earned a D, F, or U grade. If you'd like to repeat a course, please submit the online form. More information about how to repeat a course can be found here.
- Must meet the Academic Residency requirement. More detailed info can be found here.

Core Courses (8 Units)

ECE 250	Random Processes
ECE 269	Linear Algebra & Application

Quarter (List FA##, WI##, SP## below)	Core Courses	
	ECE 250	
	ECE 269	
Total: 8 Units		

16 Additional Units, at least one course from each section

ECE 255A-B-C	Information Theory, Source Coding, Network Information Theory
ECE 257A ECE 257C	Modern Communication Networks Stochastic Wireless Networks Models
ECE 258A-B	Digital Communications I, II
ECE 259A-B-C & ECE 257B	Algebraic Coding, Probabilistic Coding, Advanced Topics in Coding, Principles of Wireless Networks

Quarter (List FA##, WI##, SP## below)	Additional Units	
Total: 16 Units		

Technical Electives

Quarter (List FA##, WI##, SP## below)

Total: 24 Units

Technical Electives (24 Units)

- Any 4 unit, 200+ course from ECE, CSE, MAE, BENG, CENG, NANO, SE, MATS, MATH, PHYS or COGS taken for a letter grade may be counted.* Exceptions to this list require departmental approval.
- ❖ Up to 12 units of undergraduate ECE coursework (ECE 111+ only**) OR up to two 4-unit courses of undergraduate ECE coursework (ECE 111+ only**) and one 4-unit course of CSE undergraduate coursework (CSE 100+ only***) may be counted.
- M.S. students (Plan II) are allowed no more than 4 units of research as technical electives.

 Ph.D. and M.S. students (Plan I) are allowed no more than 8 units of research as technical electives.
- > The following research course(s) could be used toward the degree:
- ECE 299, CSE 293/298/299, MAE 299, BENG 299, NANO 299, SE 299, DSC 299
 - * Seminar courses cannot count towards the degree
- ** Not including ECE courses numbered: 195, 197, 198, 199, 210 or 298
- *** Not including CSE courses numbered: 123, 140, 140L, 143 or 294

Curriculum Advisor

EC77 Advisor Contact Information

Role: Advises graduate students regarding course selection; Considers any exception requests requiring faculty approval; Signs forms; Technical engineering related questions & job advice.

PLEASE CONTACT **YOUR STAFF ADVISOR** FOR ALL OTHER ISSUES.