

M.S. / Ph.D. Degree Planner: Communication Theory & Systems (EC77) 2020-2021

- ❖ Minimum of 12 units (Plan I) or 14 units (Plan II) must be 201+ ECE courses that must count towards your degree.
- ❖ Students **CANNOT** repeat a course unless they earned a D, F, U, or W 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](#).
- ❖ All courses counted towards the degree must be taken for a letter grade.
- ❖ Note that **ONLY** 100+ courses will count towards your overall GPA.

Core Coursework (8 Units):

ECE 250	Random Processes
ECE 269	Linear Algebra & Application

Quarter/Core Courses	
	ECE 250
	ECE 269
Total: 8 Units	

16 Additional, at least one course from each section:

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

Quarter/Add. Units	
Total: 16 Units	

Technical Electives (24 Units)

Any 4 unit, 200+ course from ECE, CSE, MAE, BENG, CENG, NANO, SE, MATS, MATH, or PHYS 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.
- ❖ MS students (Plan II) are allowed no more than 4 units of ECE 299 (research units) as technical electives. PhD and MS students (Plan I) are allowed no more than 8 units of ECE 299 as technical electives.
- ❖ With the exception of research units, all courses counted towards the degree must be taken for a letter grade.

* Not including ECE 195, 197, 198, 199 or 298

** Not including CSE 123A, 140, 140L, or 143

Quarter/Tech. Electives	
Total: 24 Units	

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Curriculum/Faculty Advisor: Advises M.S. students regarding course selection; Considers any exception requests requiring faculty approval (such as course substitutions); Sign forms; Technical engineering related questions & job advice- **PLEASE CONTACT YOUR STAFF ADVISOR FOR ALL OTHER ISSUES.**