# Electrical Engineering at the University of Alberta

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# Electrical Engineering Curriculum



- Covers all core activities of the electrical engineering profession.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Program includes ~6 electives courses that allow students to explore their areas of interest.
- Lots of good job opportunities after graduation in Alberta and Canada.



## Outline



- Second year
  - List of courses
  - Pre/co-requisite dependencies
  - What you will learn by the year end
- -Third year
  - List of courses for Electrical and Electrical: Nanoengineering option
  - Pre/co-requisite dependencies
  - What you will learn by the year end
- -Fourth year
  - List of courses for Electrical and Electrical: Nanoengineering option
  - Technical electives



#### **Second Year**



#### **Common to both program options**

<u>Fall Term</u> ECE 201: Today's course! ECE 202: Electrical Circuits I ECE 210: Introduction to Digital Logic Design Math 201: Differential Equations Math 209: Calculus III Group I (Interdisciplinary) Program Elective \* English Elective Winter Term

- ECE 203: Electrical Circuits II
- ECE 212: Introduction to Microprocessors
- ECE 220: Programming for E. Eng
- ECE 240: Cont. Time Signals and Systems
- PHYS 230: Electricity and
- Magnetism Complementary Studies Elective \*\*

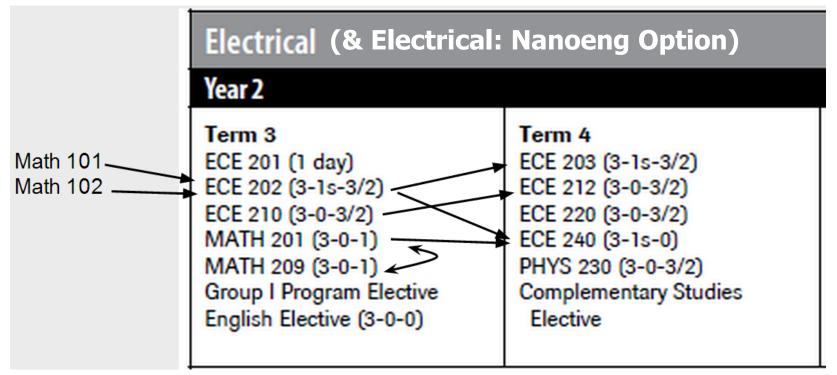
\* From CH E 243, MAT E 201 and MEC E 250

\*\* See Sec. 84.6 of Calendar for a list of courses



#### Second Year's Pre/Co-Requisite Dependencies





(Information as general guideline only; always consult the UofA Calendar.)





At the end of the second year you will:

- Have a good understanding of **electrical circuits** 
  - Circuits are the bread and butter of electrical engineering
  - Very important in future courses in electronics, power systems, etc.
- Have a good understanding of **digital systems**, including how computers and most digital systems work (digital clocks, audio systems, etc.)
- Be competent **programming** and using computers in engineering applications.
- Understand the concept of **electric signals**, and mathematical **models of dynamical systems**.
  - very important for understanding of radio transmission.
  - also important to the understanding of control systems.



### **Third Year**



#### **Regular Program**

Fall TermECE 302: Electronic DevicesECE 312: Embedded System<br/>DesignECE 330: Introduction to Power<br/>EngineeringECE 340: Discrete-time Signals<br/>and SystemsECE 370: Eng. Electromagnetics<br/>Math 309: Math Methods for EE

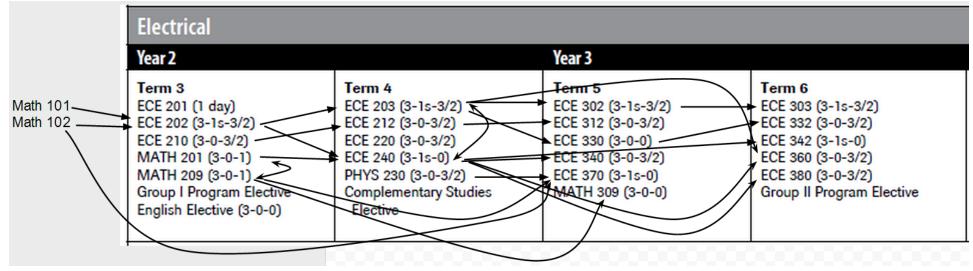
Winter Term

- ECE 303: Analog Electronics
- ECE 332: Electric Machines
- ECE 342: Probability for ECE
- ECE 360: Control Systems I
- ECE 380: Introduction To
  - **Communication Systems**
- Group II Program Elective



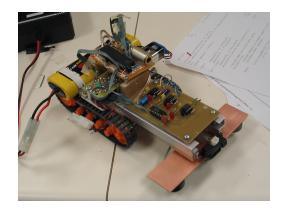
#### Second and Third Years' Pre/Co-Requisite Dependencies





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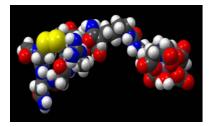
- Failing 2<sup>nd</sup> year courses can delay your graduation by a year!!
- Among the 2<sup>nd</sup> year courses, Group I Program Elective, English Elective, and Complementary Studies Elective can be taken at a later time.
- In the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, failing ECE 302 or ECE 330 is most consequential.



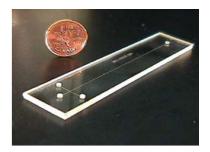


At the end of the third year you will:

- Have a good understanding of electronic devices and how to use them to implement electronic circuits.
  - you will have the opportunity to design (and see working!) an amplifier and a power supply.
- Understand **power systems**, power distribution, and power machines (electric motors, generators, transformers, etc.)
- Understand how communication systems work (AM, FM signals, digital communications, etc.)
- Understand electromagnetic radiation.
- Understand **digital signals** and how to manipulate them.
- Understand control systems.

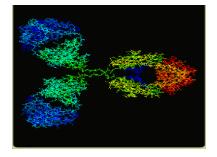


### Third Year Nanoengineering Option

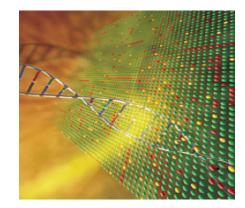


- The third year in the Nano Option is very similar to that in the regular program.
- Students in this option do Not take ECE 330 Power Systems and ECE 332 Power Machines. Instead they take:

ECE 341: Analytical methods in EE ECE 450: Nanoscale phenomena in electronic devices ECE 456: Introduction to nanoelectronics

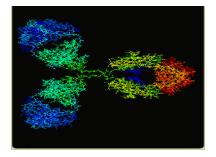


#### Fourth Year Regular program

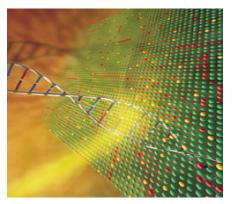


- Capstone design ECE 490 and ECE 491
- The rest of the courses and primarily technical electives.

Year 4	
Term 7 ECE 490 (1-0-3) Group I Program Elective Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective Complementary Studies Elective (3-0-0)	Term 8 ECE 491 (1-0-3) ENG M 310 (3-0-0) or 401 (3-0-0) ENGG 400 (1-0-0) Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective ITS Elective (3-0-0)



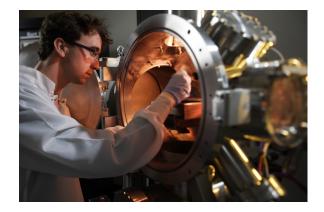
#### Fourth Year Nanoengineering Option



- Same as the regular program except that students in the Nano Option also take the following compulsory courses:

ECE 457: Microfabrication and Devices ECE 471: Photonics I ECE 475: Optoelectronics and Photovoltaic Devices

Year 4	
Term 7 ECE 457 (3-0-2) ECE 471 (3-0-3/2) ECE 490 (1-0-3) Complementary Studies Elective (3-0-0) Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective	Term 8 ECE 475 (3-0-0) ECE 491 (1-0-3) ENG M 310 (3-0-0) or 401 (3-0-0) ENGG 400 (1-0-0) Complementary Studies Elective (3-0-0) Group II Program Elective Group II Program Elective



#### Technical Electives (TEs)

• A lot to choose from – the department offers more than 40 TEs.

• TEs cover all areas (power systems, control, electronics, multimedia systems, image processing, antenna design, etc.)

• Choosing TEs you will have the opportunity to shape your career by focusing on the area(s) that you most like.

• Sec. 84.5.4 Electrical of the Calendar about Group II Electives: Of the seven program electives in this group, at least 3 must be from

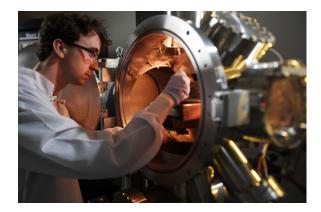
ECE 304, 401, 402, 403, 410, 432, 433, 440, 442, 449, 450, 457, 460, 461, 471, 475, 485

and at most 2 program electives may be chosen from

BME 513

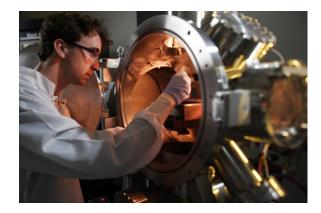
ECE 405, one of 408 or 409, 412, 413, 452, 487. The other program electives may be chosen from

ECE 341, 430, 434, 456, 458, 464, 472, 474, 476, 478, 486, 489



#### Technical Electives (TEs)

 Sec. 84.5.4.2 Electrical: Nanoengineering Option of the Calendar about Group II Electives:
Of the 4 program electives in this group, at least 2 must be from ECE 304, 452, 457, 458, 475
and the remainder from BME 513, 553, 564 ECE 330, 332, 380, 401, 402, 403, 405, one of 408 or 409, 410, 430, 440, 449, 455, 460, 464, 472, 474, 476, 478.



# Help with course selection

• There will be plenty of help provided to select your courses. Consult

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