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Curriculum

- **Curriculum matrix:**
  - The curriculum undergoes changes periodically. Some electives have changed.
  - You are held to the curriculum matrix in effect when you started the program.
  - Each row represents a different semester. Complete all courses in a single row.
  - You must comply with requisites. Exceptions are only made for graduating seniors whose graduation will be delayed without an exception. Permission is needed (from the Dean) for any exception before the course is taken.

- **Specializations:** In your senior year, you will select a specialization from: environmental engineering and water resources, structures, transportation or multidisciplinary. You take the 2 core courses and select electives from the list below. If you chose multidisciplinary, all of your specialization courses come from the list in the core box. If your GPA>2.7, you are eligible to take graduate courses as specialization electives.

- **Independent studies**
  - **CE 51001:** Periodically we offer a 1 credit course that can be used in lieu of a 1 credit independent study for students who transfer in with Math 202.
  - **CE 51003:** If you decide to take this 3 credit course as a specialization elective, you must have already completed CE 340 and any other courses your mentor identifies. You arrange this by talking to faculty, identifying a mentor and project, writing up a brief summary of the work and milestones, and bringing it to me.

- **CE 40100:** If you self study for the FE exam and pass it, you will get credit for this course.

- **Engr elective:** ENGR 230 Thermodynamics is more appropriate for students interested in materials, and ENGR 204 Circuits is more appropriate for students interested in sensors.

- **Repeating a course:** You may only repeat a course twice, and you will need permission.

- **Minors:** Many transfer students and students who end up repeating CE 231 or CE 350 find themselves without a full load in their first year of taking CE courses. If you require a full load (e.g., for financial aid), you may petition the financial aid office to take a reduced load in one semester. If that doesn’t pertain to you or you are unsuccessful in your petition, you may decide to do a minor (e.g., in math, econ, etc). To do a minor, pick up a “change of major” form from the registrar and have the chair of the minor department sign it.

Scheduling

- The schedule is made at least a semester in advance and CE courses that are on the same row are never scheduled in conflict and all meet the required pre-requisites.

- If you find a conflict in the schedule of CE courses, there is a larger chance that we can correct the issue if you tell me about it before registration begins.

- Our planned offering schedule of core and elective classes is online under “info for students”; particular CE courses are only offered once a year.
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Advisement
- You must get advised by a CE faculty advisor every semester. The Dean’s office posts signs and emails students to let them know when.
- Bring your curriculum matrix and unofficial transcript with you for advisement.
- Your CE advisor is identified on the CE website under “info for students”/“advisement”.
- Even if you are on academic probation, you should still get advised during advisement.
- If you cannot meet with your assigned advisor (e.g., you can’t reach them by email), you may see any other CE professor for advisement.
- The CE advisor in the Dean’s office (for any non-advisement questions) is Luis Alicea.

Registration
- **Closed CE courses:** If a CE course is closed, overtally for one of the remaining seats.
  - Details about the process and a link to the online form are on the CE website under “info for students”/“overtally”. It opens after grades have been posted.
  - Even if you are on academic probation, you should still overtally.
- **Closed other courses:** To waitlist for any non-CE course (e.g., ENGR or Math), contact the instructor or chair of the department to see if they have a waitlist.
- **CUNY First errors:** If CUNY First prevents you from registering, contact the Dean’s office.
- **Repeating a course:** If this pertains to you, first try to register online using CUNY First, and if that doesn’t work, then you will need to register in person and get special forms from me and from the Dean’s office. If the course is closed, overtally for a seat first.

General
- **Passing CE 231 and CE 332:** Don’t get psyched out. Many students pass these classes the first time they take them.
- **Study skills:** Even strong students need to adjust to the rigors of college engineering. Study in groups, ask lots of questions in class, go to tutoring if its offered, and go to office hours so that you succeed the first time in these courses.
- **Get involved!** The CE program offers several student clubs such as Engineers Without Borders, ASCE, Steel Bridge, and Concrete Canoe. Participating in these clubs can help you get hands on experience with your coursework, provide a means for networking with other students and professionals, and look great on your resume. If you are interested in getting involved in a club, contact the secretary of the club. Contact info for these people is on the CE website under “info for students”.
- **Job listings/internships:** We periodically post job and internship listings on the CE website under “info for students”.
- **Email:** Check your citymail account! This is the email address that I communicate important matters such as registration, the overtally, and job listings through.
- **CE website:** It has a lot of information about advisement, our academic integrity policy, independent studies, student clubs, and taking the FE exam.