



How old is the program?

The Engineering Management program was established on campus in fall 1991, and the outreach version began in 1996. The first outreach class graduated in May 1998.

What degree will I earn upon completion of this program?

You will receive an engineering degree—more specifically, a Master of Science degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering with an Engineering Management track.

When will this program be offered?

A new program will begin each fall.

What are the class meeting times for the program?

Classes meet on Saturdays and Sundays one weekend per month. Classes typically begin at 8:00am and last until around 5:00pm each day, with a one hour break for lunch and periodic short breaks throughout the day.

Can the OEM program help with lodging needs?

Our office has negotiated agreements with several local hotels and can provide contact and pricing information to applicants who need to make lodging arrangements.

How does this program differ from an MBA?

The OEM Program allows you to acquire important management techniques while developing new engineering skills applicable to management functions. Although you will earn an engineering degree, the program provides you with the MBA core curriculum and qualifies you to apply for one of UF's shortened MBA programs, available in both weekend and Internet formats. A recently instituted concurrent degree program awards an MBA with only one more year of classes.

Can I transfer graduate credits to be counted for completion of this degree?

No. There will be no transfer credits allowed for completion of this program. Due to the unique nature of this program, it is essential that all course work be taken sequentially and in conjunction with the entire enrollment population.

How does this program differ from the on-campus program?

The program has the same curriculum content.

Tell me about the Graduate Record Exam (GRE).

All applicants must take the GRE unless they have already successfully completed an approved master's degree program. The General Test, which contains the verbal, quantitative, and analytical writing portions of the exam, is required; the Engineering Subject Exam is not. The verbal and quantitative portions of the GRE are emphasized for admissions purposes, and a minimum combined score of 1,000 is required. The analytical writing portion is also important for admission to technical programs such as OEM. Therefore, applicants should take that portion as well. The GRE is administered by computer at Prometric Testing Centers (many are located inside Sylvan Learning Centers). To register, visit the GRE website (www.gre.org) or call (800) 473- 2255. The Educational Testing Service (ETS) maintains scores for five (5) years. If you have previously taken the GRE but cannot obtain an official score from ETS, contact the OEM office for other options. Other standardized tests, such as the GMAT, cannot be substituted.

Should I wait until my application is complete before I submit it for admission to the program?

No. Submit portions of your application as you finish them. Since transcripts, GRE scores, and the application are all coming from different sources, it is good to have part of your application on file so that you can be partially evaluated, and the admissions process can be underway.

What about transcripts?

Send two official transcripts from each college, university or professional school you have attended, even if you were not a degree candidate. If you graduated from UF, you do not need to have your UF transcripts sent to us. Please indicate on your application that you are a UF graduate and we can access your records. If, however, you have attended other universities since your graduation date, even if you were not a degree candidate, you will need to have transcripts from those institutions forwarded to us.

Can I go through the regular University of Florida commencement ceremony?

Yes. You have the same status as any University of Florida graduate.

What types of opportunities are available for graduates of the program?

There are excellent career opportunities for graduates of this program. Engineering Management is the most popular Master's degree option from ISE. Our on-campus graduates have consistently been placed with companies such as Intel, Motorola, IBM, Accenture, and Ernst & Young. OEM students have full access to the University's Career Resource Center, which maintains close connections with nearly all corporate employers of technical graduates.

Can my coursework in this program be used to satisfy the continuing education requirement for licensed Professional Engineers in Florida?

Yes. The OEM Program is an approved continuing education provider. Our provider number is EXP 00109. Each hour of classroom instruction is equal to one professional development hour (PDH). More information about the Florida Board of Professional Engineers continuing education requirement is available at <http://www.fbpe.org/education/index.php>

How is the price of the program determined?

The program is self-supporting, so program fees are based on the costs of providing instruction. Fees are prorated by credit hour and are due at the beginning of each semester. A \$500 partial prepayment of the first semester fees are due prior to enrolling.

How can I get help to pay for the program?

Many corporations will reimburse for part or all of the program fees. Check with your Human Resources office. This program also qualifies for higher education loans (see below). The Lifetime Learning tax credit may also offer federal income tax relief.

Where can I get information about various loan options?

U.S. Dept. of Education	studentaid.ed.gov
	www.ed.gov/students
	1-800-433-3243
FinAid	www.finaid.org/loans/privategrad.phtml
UF Student Financial Affairs	www.ufsa.ufl.edu/SFA

Are other UF engineering graduate degree programs available for working professionals?

Yes. Various graduate engineering courses and degree options are available via electronic delivery through UF's EDGE (Electronic Delivery of Graduate Engineering) program (www.oEEP.eng.ufl.edu).