

# MSE Certification Notes

- All courses counted toward the M.S.E. degree requirement must be taken at a graduate-appropriate level. In the Department of Computer Science, this includes courses that are 600-level and above, as well as 400-level courses only for students in the combined BS/MSE program who have not yet switched to graduate status.
- At most, two courses with grades less than B- may be counted toward the coursework requirements. No courses with grades less than C- may be counted.
- The overall grade point average of the courses counted toward the coursework requirements must be a 3.0 or higher (B average).
- At most, two independent study courses can be counted toward the course requirements.
- Other than independent study courses, no courses with grades of P or S can be counted toward the coursework requirement. Courses with grades of P or S will not be included in the grade point average calculation.
- One of the courses required for the M.S.E. degree, but only one, can be replaced by 3 credits from comparable short courses.
- A majority of the courses counted toward the degree must be taught in the Department of Computer Science.
- At most, two courses can be transferred from graduate programs of other institutions to be counted toward the degree requirements. Such transfer courses must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and the department. It is the obligation of the student to provide all necessary data to the Department of Computer Science regarding the course(s) for which transfer credit is being requested.
- Students in the combined BS/MSE program may transfer up to two graduate-qualified courses which also are counted toward the undergraduate degree, as well as any other graduate-qualified courses taken while an undergraduate which are not counted toward the undergraduate degree.
- At most, two courses completed in the Engineering for Professionals program can be counted towards the degree requirements with advisor approval.
- A grade of D or F can result in probation; a second D or F is cause for being dropped from the program.
- Every student must successfully pass Academic Ethics (EN.500.603).
- Any master's student engaged in research for payment or to help meet degree requirements is required to complete Responsible Conduct of Research training. Students receiving payment from NIH training grants or fellowships must take the in person course—[AS.360.625](#) Responsible Conduct of Research. All other students can take the course online—[AS.360.624](#) Responsible Conduct of Research (Online). Instructions for accessing and signing up for the course can be found here: <http://engineering.jhu.edu/wse-research/resources-policies-forms/responsible-conduct-of->

[research/online-training-course-for-the-responsible-conduct-of-research/](http://eng.jhu.edu/wse/page/conduct-of-research-training) Additional information regarding this training can be found here: <http://eng.jhu.edu/wse/page/conduct-of-research-training>. Students who are required to complete this training will not receive a diploma until the course has been completed.