



## **DUAL & SECOND DEGREES , Including TRANSFER STUDENTS Interdisciplinary Engineering Studies & Multidisciplinary Engineering**

IDE encourages students to earn dual degrees between IDE and disciplines other than engineering. Because of IDE's flexibility, dual degree programs can often be devised that require one to three additional semesters. Graduates with bachelor degrees in other disciplines may find that earning an engineering degree through IDE allows them to tailor their plan of study (POS) to use many of the courses earned in their first degree. Caution: Students who have not taken math courses equivalent to the engineering math courses will have to take a number of math courses to get started on the second degree.

IDE requirements for dual and second degrees:

1. Other discipline cannot be engineering. This is a College of Engineering rule. (see exception for a second engineering degree below)
2. total credit hours for both degrees must be at least 15 credits more than the higher of the two individual degree requirements.
3. Must have an approved POS in IDE that meets all IDES or MDE (MUEN) graduation requirements.
4. Must be registered in IDE (IDES OR MDE) or meet current CODO requirements. Must meet IDE requirements for graduation (GPA 2.0) and GPA of engineering courses (200 level and above) in POS must be 2.0.

**If the first degree was not from Purdue**, student must satisfy Purdue IDE requirements for transfer students and satisfy following requirements:

1. Resident study at Purdue University for at least two semesters and the enrollment in and completion of at least 32 semester hours of approved coursework at the 300 level or higher is required.
2. Additional requirements for *graduates* of engineering programs (either from Purdue or elsewhere):
  - a. First, there must be *compelling professional reasons* to earn a second engineering degree.



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b. At least 32 total credits that are not double-counted with another engineering program must be earned in IDE at West Lafayette. [If the first degree is from Purdue, at least 18 credits must be courses at the 300 level or above. If the first degree is from another institution, a minimum of 32 credits must be at the 300 level or above.] At least 15 credits must be engineering courses (200 level and above), and at least 2 of these credits must be engineering courses at the 300 level or above.

b. All of the other requirements listed above must also be met. This rule also applies to students seeking their first degree who transfer to Purdue with a large number of credits, and these students must meet current IDE requirements for transfer students.

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