Transfer Admission Policy
Into IDES or MDE Professional Programs

This policy applies to students interested in transferring into the IDES or MDE programs. The following information should be used as an aid to your admission consideration into Purdue. Completing these steps and adhering to this policy does NOT automatically grant your transfer into either IDES or MDE program.

Admission into the IDES or MDE professional programs as a transfer is considered on the following criteria:
1) Completion of all requirements (or equivalent coursework) listed below for FYE.
2) Clearly articulated interest into one of the degree programs and established concentrations available in either program through a "pre-admission essay of interest" (note: Theatre Engineering is closed to transfer students*)
3) Meet minimum GPA requirement of 3.0 [*Revised effective Fall 2018].
4) Space availability based on limits communicated by the College of Engineering (CoE)

1. Pre-Requisite Requirements for First Year Engineering (FYE)

The requirements listed here are applicable for students seeking to transfer with a "catalog term" of 2017 or higher.

Course descriptions of required courses and a FYE Plan of Study are also available.

These requirements were approved by the Engineering Curriculum Committee, on behalf of the faculty of the College of Engineering, on April 22, 2014 (EFD 35-14), with amendments in EFD 70-16 and EFD 09-17.

I. To complete FYE and be eligible for consideration for entry into an Engineering degree program, a student must complete the following courses:

1. ENGR 13100, ENGR 14100, ENGR 16100, or [EPCS 11100 and EPCS 12100]
2. ENGR 13200, ENGR 14200, ENGR 16200 or ENGR 13300
3. MA 16100 or MA 16500
4. MA 16200, or MA 16600, or MA 17300
5. CHM 11500 or [CHM 11100 and CHM 11200]
6. PHYS 17200 or [ENGR 16100 and ENGR 16200]
7. A science selective course, chosen from:
   a. CHM 11600
   b. CS 15900
   c. BIOL 11000
   d. BIOL 11100
   e. BIOL 13100
   f. BIOL 12100 and BIOL 13500
   g. ENGR 14100 and ENGR 14200 for students who entered Purdue prior to Fall 2017 only
8. Two of the following four courses:
   a. a course that meets the Written Communication Foundational Outcome (typically ENGL 10600 or ENGL 10800)
   b. a course that meets the Oral Communication Foundational Outcome (typically COM 11400)
   c. GS 10000 (this option is available only for students who have a TOEFL score in their student record)
   d. GS 10100 (this option is available only for students who have a TOEFL score in their student record).

II. Minimum Grades: **Earned grades must be C– or better for any course used** to meet the requirements above.

III. Grade Average: To complete FYE, the student’s cumulative GPA must be **of 2.00 or greater, and an Engineering Admissions Index (EAI) must be 2.00 or greater**. Calculation of the EAI is equivalent to the calculation of GPA for courses used to meet all FYE requirements 1-9 above. If a student meets a requirement in more than one way, only one will be used to calculate the EAI. The FYE Curriculum Committee will be responsible for keeping an updated, clear, and universal set of rules for determining which course is used in EAI for these situations. These rules are available to students in the FYE Advising office.

VI. Total Number of Credits: Students must earn a total of at least 30 credits.

VII. If a student is transferring from Ivy Tech Community College, have at least 30 credits, and have successfully met all requirements for first-year engineering from that program, they will be considered to fully meet the FYE requirements for IDES and MDE.

VII. Special exception for full completion of FYE may be granted to non-traditional students (return to school veterans and adult learners) on a case by case basis with written permission of Director of IDES/MDE only.

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2. Pre-Admission Essay of Interest

All students wishing to transfer into either the IDES or MDE program must complete a pre-admission essay of interest as part of their Purdue application package (see attached). Once that essay is reviewed, a determination will be made if the student’s academic interests align with the program offering.

In the event that both the student interests (as articulated by the essay) and program offering align, the student will be contacted to set an advising session with the IDES/MDE advising staff. During the subsequent advising meeting, the student will work with the academic advisor to select the program and concentration that best aligns with the student’s academic and career objectives, and develop a plan of study. Once both the essay and the plan of study are completed, the student will be approved for admission into the target program (IDES or MDE).

3. GPA Requirement

All students wishing to transfer into either program must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.