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# **HOW TO USE THIS MAP**

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

### **CONNECT WITH US**

#### **Cal Day**

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

#### **Golden Bear Orientation**

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

#### **Events**

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit **me.berkeley.edu** for news and updates.

### **ADVISING**

Visit Engineering Student Services in 230 Bechtel for advising on academic difficulty, change of major/double majors/simultaneous degrees, withdrawal/readmission, degree completion, education abroad, academic progress, and petitions and exceptions. See **engineering. berkeley.edu/students/advising-counseling** for more information.

For department-specific advising, visit the **ME Student Services Office** in 6193 Etcheverry Hall.

#### **Office hours:**

Monday-Wednesday, 9am-12pm, 1-4pm Thursday 1-4pm Friday 9am-12pm, 1-4pm

Visit **ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps** for the latest version of this major map.

# Berkeley

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# **MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

Berkeley UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Bachelor of Science

# INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Mechanical engineers serve society by solving problems in transportation, energy, the environment, and human health. The mechanical engineering profession encompasses numerous technical areas, and as a mechanical engineer, you'll be finding solutions to the world's most pressing issues.

We offer a **major** in Mechanical Engineering as well as a **minor**. Our undergraduate program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, and attracts the best and brightest students to study with top-tier faculty. We are fully invested in preparing our future engineers to meet today's challenges with creativity and innovation.



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OF ME is full of uniquely amazing extracurricular and research opportunities...from contributing to groundbreaking research to building rockets or race cars on the weekends, the opportunities here are endless.

- Rebecca Bennet, Class of 2021

# THE ME CURRICULUM

The Mechanical Engineering major provides students with a broad education emphasizing an excellent foundation in scientific and engineering fundamentals. We believe in the importance of enriching our rigorous curriculum with research opportunities, support services and team activities. The capstone of the program is the senior design experience, which assists in developing a deep understanding of the process.

# **AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR**

- Get involved with an Engineering student group such as Robobears,
   American Society of Mechanical Engineers or Pi Tau Sigma.
- Design and manufacture projects in the **Student Machine Shop**.
- Enrich your studies with the Sutardja Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Technology.
- Follow your major on **Instagram**, **Facebook**, and **Youtube**.

# MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Explore career resources on the **Engineering** and

Attend an **ESS workshop** to create a resume and

ME websites.

LinkedIn page.

# **DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY**

Recruiting and attend the job offer negotiation

Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other

workshop.

opportunities.



#### **FIRST YEAR SECOND YEAR THIRD YEAR FOURTH YEAR Explore** Meet with your **ESS advisor** to discuss your Talk to **ESS peer advisors** about life in the major. Focus on upper division requirements and electives. Meet with your **ESS advisor** to do an official **degree** your major academic plans. **check** and plan for your final year. Meet with your **ESS advisor** to discuss your Continue meeting with your **ESS advisor** to review Familiarize yourself with **major** and **college** Complete any "bucket list" courses and remaining academic progress and any challenges. your academic progress. requirements and the ME Curriculum Flowchart. major, college, and campus requirements. Complete lower division prerequisites and start Submit paperwork for a double major, simultaneous Talk to a **ME advisor** about department programs planning your upper division courses. degree, minor, or study abroad. Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor and research opportunities. Plan now if considering a double major, Enroll in ENGIN 98: The Insider's Guide to simultaneous degree, minor, or study abroad. **Berkeley Engineering**. Connect Join a First Friday Coffee Chat with faculty. Give back by becoming an **ESS peer advisor**. Join an **Engineering** or **ME student group**, such as Join a professional association related to your and build the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Take advantage of **tutoring** and **workshops** for Join the **Berkeley Engineering group** on LinkedIn. Engineering students at the **Center for Access to** Sign up for the ME email list and start attending Continue attending tutoring and workshops, and Explore student groups outside of Engineering, **Engineering Excellence**. reading the weekly ESS newsletter. department events or deepen your involvement with an Engineering Discover student opportunities in the ESS Get to know Engineering professors and graduate Connect with alumni groups and leverage your student group. student instructors in office hours. newsletter. **network** as you prepare to graduate. Check out Formula SAE, CALSOL, Cal Super Find study space and resources in the **Kresge** Continue attending tutoring and workshops, and Mileage and Pi Tau Sigma, the Mechanical **Engineering Library.** reading the weekly ESS newsletter. Engineering Honor Society. Discover Browse research taking place in Engineering Apply for a research opportunity if you haven't done Consider pursuing a research opportunity for Teach your own **DeCal course**. your passions centers, institutes, and labs. **Engineering** and ME students. so already. Consider being an instructor for ENGIN 98. Visit the **Office of Undergraduate Research and** Look through the ME Faculty's research interests. Check out design and maker opportunities at the Continue to pursue your interests through a Scholarships. Jacobs Institute. Apply to a **REU** research program. Check **Berkeley fellowship** or gap year after graduation. Explore entrepreneurship through the **Sutardja** Discover new interests in a **Freshman Seminar** or **Lab** and **Beehive** for more research options. Choose your post-baccalaureate plans based upon Center and Skydeck. student-run DeCal course Design and manufacture engineering projects in the your intended mission and impact as an Engineer. Broaden your perspective by attending **Newton** Student Machine Shop. Consider earning the **Sutardja Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Technology. Series** or **View from the Top** lectures. Attend a build team SAE, Battlebot, and Calsol Learn how to be an ethical and inclusive global Serve as a student representative on a **college** Contribute to a community organization in an locally and **American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course** leader through the LeaderShape Institute. such as ENGIN 157AC. Attend the **Calapalooza** student activities fair and Experience life at another UC or college on a **visitor** Hone your leadership skills with the **Peter E. Haas** get involved with a student organization. Explore study, internship, and research abroad and exchange program. **Public Service Leaders program.** options with Berkeley Study Abroad. Consider a Study and intern in Washington D.C. with UCDC or Explore service opportunities after graduation, **Explore Engineering student organizations.** Berkeley Global Internship. Cal in the Capital such as Peace Corps, Teach for America, or U.S. Find service opportunities through the **Public** Mentor local youth with **Pioneers in Engineering Department of State.** Service Center. or Berkeley Engineers and Mentors. Reflect Visit Berkeley Career Engagement and the Career Attend career and graduate school fairs such as Ask professors and graduate student instructors for Discuss career options and goals with a Career and plan **Counseling Library**. the STEM Career & Internship Fair. recommendation letters your future Discuss graduate school options with advisors and Check out the Berkeley Career Engagement Yearly Explore careers through **GLOBE Ambassadors**, Utilize **job board tools** in your job search. Planner. Sign up for Handshake and CareerMail. winter externships, and informational professors. Make an **advising appointment** in ESS Go to Employer Info Sessions and On-Campus to explore a 5th year MS, MEng, or PhD.

Learn about graduate and professional school

Pursue an **internship** and attend an **internship** 

career fair

Sign up for an ESS career workshop, networking

dinner, speaker series, or career conference.

# WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

The Mechanical Engineering major prepares students for employment or advanced studies with four primary constituencies: industry, the national laboratories, state and federal agencies, and academia (graduate research programs).

#### **Jobs and Employers**

Business Analyst, Amazon
Engineer, Boeing
Engineer, General Motors
GIS Technician, Apex Systems
Management Consulting Analyst,
Accenture
Mechanical Engineer, Lawrence
Livermore National Labs
Product Engineer, Lam Research
Program Manager, Apple
Manufacturing Engineer, ERG
Aerospace
Software Engineer, Cruise
Tech. Product Support Engineer,
Applied Materials
Verification Engineer, AVS

#### **Graduate Programs**

Aerospace Engineering, Masters
Biomedical Engineering, Masters
Computer Science, Masters
Electrical Engineering, Masters, PhD
Geometry, PhD
Materials Engineering, Masters, PhD
Mechanical Engineering, Masters,
PhD
Medicine, MD
Public Policy Analysis, Masters
Systems Engineering, Masters

Examples gathered from the **First Destination Survey** of recent Berkeley graduates.

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