

### College Of Engineering Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

### Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Computer Engineering major
For students entering under UG Catalog 2022-2023
131 Credits Required for Graduation

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FALL SEMESTER FIRST YEAR	Credits		SPRING SEMESTER FIRST YEAR	Credits
CHEM 1035 General Chemistry Pre: Eligible to enroll	3		ENGL 1106 First-Year Writing Pre: ENGL 1105	3
CHEM 1045 General Chemistry Lab Co: CHEM 1035	1		MATH 1226 Calculus of a Single Variable Pre: MATH 1225	4
ENGL 1105 First-Year Writing	3		PHYS 2305 Foundations of Physics I Pre: MATH 1225 or MATH 1226; Co: MATH 1226	4
MATH 1225 Calculus of a Single Variable (C-) Pre: Eligible to enroll	4		ENGE 1216 Foundations of Engineering (C-) Pre: ENGE 1215	2
ENGE 1215 Foundations of Engineering (C-)	2		ECE 1004 <sup>(1)</sup> Introduction to ECE Concepts <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: ENGE</i> 1215 or ENGE 1414	3 <sup>[F, S]</sup>
Pathways 2 or 3 or 6a	3		MATH 2114 Introduction to Linear Algebra (C-) Pre: MATH 1226 or a grade of at least B in MATH 1225	3
TOTAL	16		TOTAL	19
FALL COLUMNIA COROLLA VICAN	Credits		Capula Caracana Capula Vara	Credit
FALL SEMESTER SECOND YEAR  MATH 2214 Introduction to Differential Equations (C-) Presented to the Presented Service (C-) Presented Servic			SPRING SEMESTER SECOND YEAR  MATH 2204 Introduction to Multivariable Calculus  Pre: MATH 1226	
1114 or 1114H or 2114 or 2114H), (1206 or 1226) PHYS 2306 Foundations of Physics I <i>Pre: (MATH 1206 or MATH 1206H or MATH 1226), PHYS 2305</i>	4		ECE 2214 <sup>(2)</sup> Physical Electronics <b>(C)</b> Pre: 2024	3 <sup>[F, S]</sup>
ECE 2024 <sup>(1)</sup> Circuits and Devices <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 1004, (MATH 2114 or MATH 2114H or MATH 2405H); Co: 2514, 2544, MATH 2214, PHYS 2306</i>			ECE 2564 <sup>(1)</sup> Embedded Systems <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 2514, 2544</i>	3 <sup>[F, S]</sup>
ECE 2514 <sup>(1)</sup> Computational Engineering <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 1004; Co: 2024, 2544</i>	3 <sup>[F,S]</sup>		ECE 2714 <sup>(2)</sup> Signals and Systems <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 2024, 2514, 2544, MATH 2214; Co: 2564</i>	3 <sup>[F, S]</sup>
ECE 2544 <sup>(1)</sup> Fundamentals of Digital Systems <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 1004, Co: 2024, 2514</i>	3 <sup>[F,S]</sup>		ECE 2804 <sup>(1)</sup> Integrated Design Project <b>(C)</b> <i>Pre: 2024, 2514, 2544; Co: 2214, 2564, 2714)</i>	2 <sup>[F,S]</sup>
			Pathways 2 or 3 or 6a	3
TOTAL	16		TOTAL	17
FALL SEMESTER THIRD YEAR	Credits	_	SPRING SEMESTER THIRD YEAR	Credit
ECE 3504 <sup>(2)</sup> Computer Organization and Architecture (C-)	3 <sup>[F,S]</sup>		CPE Technical Elective <sup>(2)</sup> from TE list	3
ECE 3514 <sup>(1)</sup> Data Structure and Algorithms <b>(C-)</b> <i>Pre: 2804</i>	3 <sup>[F,S]</sup>		ECE 3574 <sup>(1)</sup> Applied Software Design <i>Pre: 2804, (2574 or 3514)</i>	3 <sup>[F,S]</sup>
ECE 3544 <sup>(2)</sup> Digital Design I <i>Pre: 2544. 2804</i>	4 <sup>[F,S]</sup>		Secondary Focus Area course (see list)	3
MATH 2534 Introduction to Discrete Math Pre: CS 1114 or ECE 1574 or ECE 1004	3		Secondary Focus Area course (see list)	3
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			Free Elective	2
TOTAL	16		TOTAL	17
FALL SEMESTER FOURTH YEAR  ECE 4805 Senior Design Project (C-) ECE 2804, (ECE 3004 or ECE	Credits		SPRING SEMESTER FOURTH YEAR ECE 4806 Senior Design Project Pre: 4805	17 Credit
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**General Information about Checksheet:** Superscripted annotation after the course number (1) indicates core course of the degree while (2) indicates courses associated with the major. Additionally, (F, S, SI, SII) in credits column indication terms when a course is expected to be offered. Course offerings are subject to change and the availability of sufficient resources. Students should confirm course offerings in advance with their department.

\*\*Must take one of the following courses to complete the prerequisites for ECE 4805: ECE 3106 or ECE 3134 or ECE 3204 or ECE 3304 or ECE 3544 or ECE 3564 or ECE 3574 or ECE 3614 or ECE 3704 or ECE 4205 or ECE 4234 or ECE 4254 or ECE 4424 or ECE 4540 or ECE 4524 or ECE 4520 or ECE 4580 or ECE 4704

#### Pathways to General Education (Pathways)

Consult the pathways courses table: https://www.pathways.prov.vt.edu/about/table.html. Pathways courses need to be completed prior to graduation

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Pathways Concept 1:	Foundational: ENGL 1105	(3)	Foundational: ENGL 1106	(3)
Discourse (6 hrs foundational, 3 hrs advanced)	Advanced: ECE 4805 + ECE 4806	Advanced: ECE 4805 + ECE 4806		
Pathways Concept 2:		(3)		(3)
Critical Thinking in the Humanities (6 hrs)				
Pathways Concept 3:		(3)		(3)
Reasoning in the Social Sciences (6 hrs)				
Pathways Concept 4:	CHEM 1035 + CHEM 1045	(4)	PHYS 2305	(4)
Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (8 hrs)				
Pathways Concept 5:	Foundational: MATH 1225	(4)	Foundational: MATH 1226	(4)
Quantitative and Computational Thinking (11 hrs)	Advanced: MATH 2214		(3)	
Pathways Concept 6:	Arts (6a):			(3)
Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts (7 hrs)	Design: ENGE 1215 + ENGE 1216			(4)
Pathways Concept 7:	*Pathways 7 should be double co	*Pathways 7 should be double counted with either Pathways 2, 3 or 6a to		
Critical Analysis of Identity & Equity in the US (3 hrs)	*Pathways 7 should be double counted with either Pathways 2, 3 or 6a to avoid taking any additional credit hours.			

#### **Electives**

The Computer Engineering major requires 9 hours of technical electives from TE list and 8 hours of free electives. Free electives only may be taken under the P/F grading option. Students are encouraged to use free electives to provide depth in major or secondary focus.

#### Secondary Focus

The Computer Engineering Major requires 9 credits for a secondary focus area. Students have the flexibility to choose any 3 ECE courses (9 credits) at the 3xxx level or 4xxx level to meet the secondary focus requirements as long as at least one course (3 credits) is at the 4xxx level and the courses do not duplicate major courses. Alternatively, students may seek an approved individualized secondary focus. See the requirements below (page 4) for more information.

Change of Major Requirements: Please see: https://eng.vt.edu/em

**Foreign Language Requirements:** Students must have had 2 years of a foreign language in high school or one year at the college level (6 credit hours) of the same language. College-level credits used to meet this requirement do not count towards the degree.

**Satisfactory Progress Towards Degree:** University Policy 91 outlines university-wide minimum criteria to determine if students are making satisfactory progress towards the completion of their degrees. The ECE Department fully supports this policy. Specific expectations for satisfactory progress for BSCPE and BSEE majors are as follows:

- Each student must meet the minimum University-wide criteria as described in Policy 91 and summarized in the Undergraduate Catalog (under Academic Policies)
- Upon completing 2 semesters in ECE, students must have satisfactorily completed ECE 2024, ECE 2514, ECE 2544, MATH 2214, and PHYS 2306
- Upon completing 3 semesters in ECE, students must have satisfactorily completed ECE 2804.
- Upon attempting 90 credits, BSCPE and BSEE students must have successfully completed 33 credits of in-major courses and have 2.0 overall and in-major GPAs. (The BSCPE and BSEE in-major GPA includes all ECE courses, including repeats).

**Grade Requirement:** Students must earn a C or higher in the following ECE courses: ECE 1004, ECE 2024, ECE 2214, ECE 2514, ECE 2544, ECE 2564, ECE 2714, ECE 2804.

Statement of Prerequisites: Pre-requisites for each course are listed after the course title. In general, all ECE courses require a C- or better in prerequisite courses. Students must earn a C or higher in the ECE courses listed above. There are no hidden prerequisites in this program of study. Prerequisites may change from what is indicated. Be sure to consult the Timetable of Classes or check with your advisor for the most current requirements.

**Graduation Requirements:** Each student must complete at least 131 semester credit hours with a minimum overall GPA of 2.00 and a minimum in-major GPA of 2.00. In determining the Computer Engineering in-major GPA, all ECE courses, including repeats, are used.

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### TECHNICAL ELECTIVES COMPUTER ENGINEERING MAJOR

### For students entering under UG Catalog 2022-2023

The courses listed below are approved for CpE technical elective credit. Students must choose 3 courses to complete the Computer Engineering Major requirements. Actual course offerings will be based on sufficient resources, including faculty availability and student demand. Refer to the University's on-line timetable of classes for specific course availability information. Note: All ECE courses require a C- or better in prerequisite courses. Courses used toward the 9c technical elective requirement cannot be used as part of the secondary focus.

ECE3564 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER NETWORKING, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714
ECE4414 (3)	LINUX KERNEL PROGRAMMING, Pre: 3574 or CS 3114
ECE4444 (3)	TECHNOLOGICAL SINGULARITY
ECE4424 (3)	MACHINE LEARNING (CS 4824), Pre: (2574 or 3514), (STAT 4714 or STAT 4604 or STAT 4705)
ECE4514 (4)	DIGITAL DESIGN II, Pre: 3544
ECE4524 (4)	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS, Pre: (2574 or 3514), STAT 4714
ECE4525 (3)	VIDEO GAME DESIGN AND ENG, Pre: 3574
ECE4530 (3)	HARDWARE-SOFTWARE CODESIGN, Pre: 2564, 3544
ECE4534 (4)	EMBEDDED SYSTEM DESIGN, Pre: 2564, 3574
ECE4540 (3)	VLSI CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 2214, 2544, 2804
ECE4550 (3)	REAL-TIME SYSTEMS, Pre: 3574 or CS 3214
ECE4554 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER VISION, Pre: 3574, (STAT 4705 or STAT 4714)
ECE4560 (3)	COMPUTER AND NETWORK SECURITY FUNDAMENTALS, Pre: 3564 or 4614 or CS 3214
ECE4564 (3)	NETWORK APPLICATION DESIGN, Pre: (3564 or 4614), (2574 or 3514)
ECE4574 (3)	LARGE-SCALE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERING SYSTEMS, Pre: 3574
ECE4580 (3)	DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE4704 (3)	PRINCIPLES OF ROBOTICS SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE4974/4994 (A	ARR) INDEPENDENT STUDY/UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (requires departmental and college approval) [No more than 3 hours total of either ECE 4974 or ECE 4994 can be counted toward the Computer Engineering Major]
ECE4984 (3)	SPECIAL STUDY on a computing subject (requires prior department approval)

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### SECONDARY FOCUS REQUIREMENT Computer Engineering Major For students entering under UG Catalog 2022-2023

### **FOCUS AREAS WITHIN ECE**

The courses listed below are grouped into suggested ECE focus areas. Students are encouraged to choose 3 courses from a single focus area that is not their chosen major. Students have the flexibility to choose any 3 ECE courses (9 credits) at the 3xxx level or 4xxx level to meet the secondary focus requirement as long as at least one course (3 credits) is at the 4xxx level. None of the 3 courses can duplicate a course from the student's major. Actual course offerings will be based on sufficient resources, including faculty availability and student demand. Refer to the University's on-line timetable of classes for specific course availability information and prerequisite. Note: All ECE courses require a C- or better in prerequisite courses unless a C or better is noted on the checksheet.

### **CHIP-SCALE INTEGRATION**

ECE3004 (3)	AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE4514 (4)	DIGITAL DESIGN II, Pre: 3544
ECE4540 (3)	VLSI CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 2214, 2544, 2804

### CONTROLS, ROBOTICS, AND AUTONOMY

ECE3004 (3)	AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE3105 (3)	ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306
ECE3704 (3)	CONTINUOUS AND DISCRETE SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE3714 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO CONTROL SYSTEMS, Pre: 3704
ECE4524 (4)	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS, Pre: 3514, STAT 4714
ECE4580 (3)	DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE4704 (3)	PRINCIPLES OF ROBOTICS SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804

### **MACHINE LEARNING**

ECE4424 (3)	MACHINE LEARNING (CS 4824), Pre: 3514, STAT 4714
ECE4524 (4)	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS, Pre: 3514, STAT 4714
ECE4525 (3)	VIDEO GAME DESIGN AND ENG, Pre: 3574
ECE4554 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER VISION, Pre: 3574, STAT 4714
ECE4580 (3)	DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING, Pre: 2714, 2804

#### **NETWORKING AND CYBERSECURITY**

ECE3564 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER NETWORKING, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714
ECE4560 (3)	COMPUTER AND NETWORK SECURITY FUNDAMENTALS, Pre: 3564 or CS 3214
ECE4564 (3)	NETWORK APPLICATION DESIGN. Pre: 3564, 3514

### **SOFTWARE SYSTEMS**

ECE4524 (4)	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS, Pre: 3514, STAT 4714
ECE4525 (3)	VIDEO GAME DESIGN AND ENG, Pre: 3574

**APPROVED** University Registrar ECE4550 (3) REAL-TIME SYSTEMS, Pre: 3574 or CS 3214 LARGE-SCALE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERING SYSTEMS, Pre: 3574 ECE4574 (3) **COMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORKING** ECE3004 (3) AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE3105 (3) ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306 ECE3564 (3) INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER NETWORKING, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714 ECE3614 (3) INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714 ECE3704 (3) CONTINUOUS AND DISCRETE SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE4624 (3) DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING AND FILTER DESIGN, Pre: 3704 ECE4634 (3) DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS, Pre: 3614, STAT 4714 **ENERGY AND POWER ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS** ECE3004 (3) AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE3105 (3) ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306 ECE3204 (3) ANALOG ELECTRONICS, Pre: 2214, 2714, 2804 INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS, Pre: 3004 ECE3304 (3) ECE3704 (3) CONTINUOUS AND DISCRETE SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE4205 (3) ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 2214, 2804 ECE4224 (3) POWER ELECTRONICS, Pre: 3204, 3304 POWER SYSTEM ANALYSIS AND CONTROL, Pre: 3304 ECE4334 (3) MICRO/NANOSYSTEMS ECE3004 (3) AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE3105 (3) ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306 ANALOG ELECTRONICS, Pre: 2214, 2714, 2804 ECE3204 (3) ECE3214 (3) SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE FUNDAMENTALS, Pre: (2214, 2804) or MSE 3204 ECE3614 (3) INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714 ECE4205 (3) ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 2214, 2804 ECE4220 (3) ANALOG INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 3204 SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING, Pre: (2214, 2804) or 3054 ECE4234 (3) ECE4254 (3) PRINCIPLES OF ELECTRONIC PACKAGING, Pre: (2214, 2804) or 2054 or 3054 **PHOTONICS** ECE3004 (3) AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804 ECE3105 (3) ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306

**ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 3105** 

INTRODUCTION OPTOELECTRONICS, Pre: 2214, 2804

ECE3106 (3) ECE3134 (3)

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ECE3614 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714 University Registra
ECE4134 (3)	PHOTONICS, Pre: 3105
ECE4144 (3)	OPTICAL SYSTEMS, Pre: 3106
RADIO FREQUENCY	AND MICROWAVE
ECE3004 (3)	AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE3105 (3)	ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306
ECE3106 (3)	ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 3105
ECE3204 (3)	ANALOG ELECTRONICS, Pre: 2214, 2714, 2804
ECE3604 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO RF & MICROWAVE ENGINEERING, Pre: 3105
ECE4104 (3)	MICROWAVE AND RF ENGINEERING, Pre: 3106, 3204
ECE4114 (3)	ANTENNAS, Pre: 3106
ECE4124 (3)	RADIO WAVE PROPAGATION, Pre: 3106
ECE4220 (3)	ANALOG INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 3204
ECE4605 (3)	RADIO ENGINEERING, Pre: 3105, 3204, 3614
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SPACE SYSTEMS	
ECE3004 (3)	AC CIRCUIT ANALYSIS, Pre: 2714, 2804
ECE3104 (3)	INTRO SPACE SYSTEMS, Pre: 3105
ECE3105 (3)	ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 2214, 2804, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2406H), PHYS 2306
ECE3106 (3)	ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS, Pre: 3105
ECE3614 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, Pre: 2714, 2804, STAT 4714
ECE4154 (3)	INTRODUCTION TO SPACE WEATHER, Pre: 3106
ECE4164 (4)	INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEMS (GPS) THEORY AND DESIGN, Pre: 3106 or AOE 3154
ECE4194 (3)	ENGINEERING PRINCIPLES OF REMOTE SENSING, Pre: 3106
ECE4205 (3)	ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT DESIGN, Pre: 2214, 2804
ECE4644 (3)	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, Pre: 3614
OTHER FCE OPTION	S (Actual course offerings will be based on sufficient resources)
ECE4324 (3)	MICROGRIDS, Pre: 3004
ECE4354 (3)	POWER SYSTEM PROTECTION, Pre: 4334
ECE4414 (3)	LINUX KERNEL PROGRAMMING, Pre: 3514, STAT 4714
ECE4444 (3)	TECHNOLOGICAL SINGULARITY
ECE4504 (3)	COMPUTER ORGANIZATION, Pre: 3504 or CS 3214
ECE4530 (3)	HARDWARE-SOFTWARE CODESIGN, Pre: 2564, 3544
ECE4534 (4)	EMBEDDED SYSTEM DESIGN, Pre: 2564, 3574
ECE4984 (3)	SPECIAL STUDY – TOPICS VARY (See timetable for options)
LCL+304 (3)	of Ecime 31 out 100 to 3 valid (see difference for options)

#### INDEPENDENT STUDIES AND UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH



For purposes of satisfying the Secondary Focus requirements, the sum of the number of hours taken from ECE 4974 and 4994 cannot exceed 6 credits.

4974 (ARR) Independent Study 4994 (ARR) Undergraduate Research

Instructors and students must complete the College of Engineering Undergraduate Research/Independent Study Form (<a href="https://eng.vt.edu/academics/undergraduate-students/resources-support/undergraduate-research-independent-study.html">https://eng.vt.edu/academics/undergraduate-students/resources-support/undergraduate-research-independent-study.html</a>). Deadline to submit form is last day to add classes.

### INDIVIDUALIZED SECONDARY FOCUS (Must be preapproved by ECE Department)

Electrical and computer engineering has applications across a wide variety of fields, such as medicine, human-computer interaction, finance, and entertainment. People with ECE degrees can be entrepreneurs, patent lawyers, policy makers, and business executives. The individualized secondary focus helps students pursue these interests. This option can be used in place of a pre-defined, indepartment secondary focus.

The individualized secondary focus typically is pursued via an already defined university-approved program such as a degree, major, minor, or certificate that the student has declared. Students are encouraged to select courses from these programs, subject to the guidelines below.

- 1) To begin this process, students must first meet with their academic advisor.
- 2) The student must complete a brief proposal form describing the expected added value to their major. This includes a narrative about how these courses support the student's career goals and ability to achieve their professional aspirations. This proposal must be approved by the Director of Undergrad Program or designee.
- 3) Individualized secondary focus plans must include 3 courses within the following parameters:
  - a. None of the courses may duplicate the student's ECE major requirements.
  - b. None of the courses can be at the 1xxx level (1xxx courses required for university-approved programs, e.g. minors, can be used for a student's free electives).
  - c. A maximum of one course can be at the 2xxx level, and only if it is a requirement of a university approved program, or if the course is a prerequisite to one or more of the other two courses in the individualized secondary focus
  - d. A minimum of one course must be at the 4xxx level.
- 4) If the set of courses is part of an already defined university program, the student should attach documentation to the proposal form.
- 5) If the set of three courses are *not* part of an already defined university-approved program, the student must also obtain written approval from the department that houses the courses.
- 6) It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the set of courses is available to be taken in a timely manner. The ECE department is not responsible for changes of programs elsewhere in the university.