

Thank you for interest in the Graduate School of Engineering at Northeastern University!

You are invited to <u>explore our entire menu of Master of Science programs</u>, and to apply to a second or alternative Master of Science (MS) program with a waiver of the \$75 application fee.

In explanation, some applicants have more than one program of interest, or they are not aware of the broad range of programs that are available. In addition to our MS degrees in traditional engineering disciplines (e.g. Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering), we offer a number of multidisciplinary MS degrees. The multidisciplinary MS degrees are designed for different industry sectors. These degree programs are appropriate for working engineers or recent engineering graduates who are looking for career advancement as technical professionals, business managers or industry leaders.

Stated simply, we want to make it easy for prospective students who have diverse interests to apply to more than one potential program of interest. Note that this offer only applies to MS programs offered by the *Graduate School of Engineering*.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- Applicants who hold a Bachelor's degree in an engineering or related field have an appropriate academic background for admissions consideration to not just one but to many programs.
- Most programs offer a wide variety of course options, and it is common for our students to complete courses
 outside of their approved course list (said simply, students can take courses outside of their program with
 faculty approval).
- Each individual program has a different faculty admissions committee who makes admissions decisions.
- Standards of admission may vary by program, and the number of seats available (AKA the capacity for new students) may vary by program.
- Applicants will be given admissions consideration separately to each program to which they submit a completed application.
- It is not recommended that applicants submit an alternative application to the same program to which they already applied, but just with a different concentration (e.g. do not apply to Mechanical Engineering with a concentration in Thermofluids if you already applied to the Mechatronics concentration).
- Acceptance to one program does not guarantee acceptance to another.
- Applicants who apply to two programs may be accepted to both programs, denied to both programs, or accepted to one program and denied to the other program.

BEFORE YOU APPLY TO AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM OF INTEREST, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO:

- 1. Review our entire menu of Master of Science programs
- 2. Review the **Degree Requirements** section for any program that interests you (note: each program page features a **Degree Requirements** section including course offerings and descriptions)
- 3. Review the courses that are offered by each program of interest
- 4. Decide to what program(s) you would like to submit a second or third application, and revise your statement of purpose to describe your goals in pursuing the alternative program(s) of interest

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

After you submit your application, if you indicated an interest in a second and/or third degree program, you will receive an email with detailed instructions on how to access and complete your newly created, unsubmitted application(s).

After your new account is created and you begin your application, you will again be prompted to upload electronic copies of your unofficial transcripts from any and all universities that you ever attended, a statement of purpose describing your goals in pursuing your alternative program of interest, and your resume/CV. It will not be necessary to arrange for any letters of recommendation and it will not be necessary for you to arrange to have any standardized test scores re-sent, if required of you as an applicant, and if you already did so. Note that your application fee will be automatically waived.

If you have any questions, visit out Graduate Student Support Center.