

#### INTEGRATED BSME/MSME PROGRAM

The accelerated BSME/MSME program is only available for undergraduate students in the Mechanical Engineering program at UT-Tyler. This program allows students to graduate faster with a master's degree after completion of all the undergraduate degree requirements by allowing them to enroll in a limited number of graduate courses while in the last two years of their undergraduate studies.

## How is it possible to accelerate the graduate study?

You will be given permission to enroll in maximum three approved graduate courses (5000 level) during your undergraduate studies. These courses will be counted toward your undergraduate degree and will also be transferred as graduate courses when you are admitted into the MSME program. This means you'll start your graduate studies transferring up to nine credit hours. Meanwhile, if you use three graduate courses to replace undergraduate electives, you'll be required to take one more credit hour in the form of a seminar course, at a minimum, to complete your undergraduate degree.

# Who is eligible?

An undergraduate student with good standing and a GPA close to what is required for admission to the MSME program, as well as the Graduate Program Coordinator (GPC) approval.

## How to apply for the Accelerated BSME/MSME Program?

Use the <u>link</u> to declare your intention to enroll in Accelerated BSME/MSME program. If eligible, you will receive an email confirming your enrollment in the program. Please note that enrollment in Accelerated BSME/MSME program doesn't guarantee your admission to the MSME graduate program.

## How to maintain your eligibility for Accelerated BSME/MSME program?

In addition to maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.0, at the beginning of each semester, you must <u>email</u> your updated GPA, latest unofficial transcripts, and study plan to the GPC, Dr. Khajah, and set an appointment to meet him. The GPC will also review your registration forms and remove your hold to allow you to enroll in graduate courses during your undergraduate studies.

#### Admission to Graduate School

When you finish your BSME degree, you should formally apply for graduate admission to the MSME program. Please make sure you meet the graduate admission <u>requirements</u> and <u>deadlines</u>. Your admission in Accelerated BSME/MSME program will not allow you to start your graduate studies without formally being admitted by <u>Graduate School</u>.

#### Am I eligible for financial support?

Any student who is approved to be in the thesis option and started his/her study under the supervision of a thesis advisor will be eligible to apply for Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA), or Graduate Research Assistant (GRA) positions which, if approved and granted, qualifies them for in-state tuition. The number of awarded positions will depend on department needs, and the availability of funds. There are also other grants managed by the Graduate School which students can seek.

Please email the GPC if you have any questions or need additional information.