

ENGINEERING (CORE COURSES)

**INTRODUCTION**

Engineering graduate programs require the study of some of the following general (core) graduate engineering courses.

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0600-503	Statistical Concepts in Engineering	(3)
0600-504	Numerical Analysis and Computation	(3)
0600-505	Finite Element Methods	(3)
0600-506	Continuum Mechanics	(3)
0600-507	Mathematical Optimization	(3)
0600-508	Random Variables and Stochastic Processes	(3)
0600-510	Advanced Fluid Mechanics	(3)
0600-511	Computational Fluid Dynamics	(3)
0600-512	Advanced Engineering Mathematics I	(3)
0600-513	Advanced Engineering Mathematics II	(3)

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

**0600-503: STATISTICAL CONCEPTS IN ENGINEERING**  
**CR: 3**

Elements of probability theory, random variables, analytical models of random phenomena, reliability, factor of safety, safety margin, extreme value statistics, Monte-Carlo simulation, empirical determination of distribution models, confidence intervals, regression and correlation analysis, general applications to engineering design problems, stochastic processes.

**0600-504: NUMERICAL ANALYSIS AND COMPUTATION**  
**CR: 3**

Norms, limits and condition numbers. Inverses of perturbed matrices. Integrative techniques for solving systems of equations. The LU, QR and

singular value decompositions. Algorithms for the linear least squares and linear minimax problems.

Computation of the eigenvalues of a matrix. the interpolation and polynomial approximation. Approximate methods for initial value problems and for boundary value problems.

**0600-505: FINITE ELEMENT METHODS**  
**CR: 3**

Origin and basis of finite-element methods in continuum mechanics, stiffness method, assumed displacement field, potential energy and Rayleigh-Ritz method, types of elements, modeling, accuracy and convergence, solution techniques and computer application to structural and fluid mechanics.

**0600-506: CONTINUUM MECHANICS  
CR: 3**

Cartesian tensors. Basic principles of continuum mechanics: deformation, displacement, strain, stress, conservation of mass, continuum thermodynamics and constitutive equations. Illustrative applications in elasticity, fluid dynamics, viscoelasticity and plasticity.

**0600-507: MATHEMATICAL OPTIMIZATION  
CR: 3**

Basic Concepts: The gradient vector and the Hessian Matrix, multidimensional Taylor's theorem, linear and quadratic approximation of a function. Unconstrained optimization, necessary and sufficient conditions for optimality. Algorithms for single variable minimization, the Fibonacci search and the Golden section search, algorithms that use repeated polynomial interpolation. Algorithms for multi-dimensional minimization; The steepest descent, the Newton method and its variations, conjugate gradient algorithms such as the Fletcher-Reeves, Polak and Ribiere, Quasi-Newton Methods such as the DEP-BFGS, Huang's family of algorithms. Constrained optimization: Necessary and sufficient conditions for constrained minima. Algorithms for constrained optimization: interior and exterior penalty function methods, augmented Lagrangian methods, Resen's gradient projection.

**0600-508: RANDOM VARIABLES AND STOCHASTIC PROCESSES  
CR: 3**

Introduction to probability theory and engineering applications of probability. random variables and expected values. distribution of functions of random variables and applications of R.V. to system problems. Stochastic processes, correlation and power spectra, systems and random signals. Engineering decisions and estimation theories.

**0600-510: ADVANCE FLUID MECHANICS  
CR: 3**

Motion of ideal, Newtonian, and non-Newtonian single-phase fluids. Continuity and Navier-Stokes equations for one and two dimensional flows. Turbulence and boundary layer theories. Flow through conduits, and porous medium. Homogenous and non-homogenous multiphase flow systems.

**600-511: COMPUTATIONAL FLUID DYNAMICS  
CR: 3**

This course introduces students to the numerical and computational fluid dynamics. It will provide graduate students (Science and Engineering students) with techniques and approaches to solve numerical fluid mechanics problems encountered in real fluid flows. Methods for boundary layers, incompressible viscous flows, and inviscid compressible flows are studied. Finite differences and finite volume techniques are emphasized. The course utilizes using commercial CFD packages and MATLAB to solve fluid flow problems.

**0600-512: ADVANCED ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS I  
CR:3**

Analytic function, residues, contour integration. Power series solutions of ordinary differential equations: Bessel's, Legendre's, Chebyshev's and Laguerre's functions. Matrix algebra eigenvalues, eigen-functions, and solutions of systems of differential equations. Software applications.

**0600-513: ADVANCED ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS II  
CR:3 PR:0600-512**

Sturm-Liouville problem. Partial differential equations: Characteristic curves, separation of variables and integral transforms (Laplace and Fourier), method of characteristics. Wave, heat and diffusion-equations. Software applications.

**MASTER OF SCIENCE  
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING*****INTRODUCTION***

The Department of Chemical Engineering (College of Engineering and Petroleum) offers a Master of Science program in **Chemical Engineering**. Part-time and full-time students are admitted to this program. Research requirements include either thesis or non-thesis options. The program prepares qualified Engineers for an advanced professional career in three main areas: Water & Environmental Engineering, Petroleum Refining and Petrochemicals and Process Engineering & Economics. Research interests in the department lie in these four main areas: Environmental Process Engineering; Water technology, including Desalination and Waste Water Treatment; Petroleum and Petrochemical and Process System Engineering & Economics.

*According to the University Council decision dated 4/2/2007, Thesis students admitted with effect from September 2007 are exempted from the comprehensive examination.*

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***PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS***

The program requirements are (non-thesis option in parenthesis):

**33(33) TOTAL COURSE CREDITS****9 CORE ELECTIVE COURSES (3 credits each)**

- 0640-511 Advanced Mathematics in Chemical Engineering
- 0640-521 Advanced Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics
- 0640-522 Advanced Reactor Design
- 0640-541 Advanced Momentum Transfer OR 0600-510 Advanced Fluid Mechanics
- 0640-543 Advanced Heat Transfer
- 0640-544 Advanced Mass Transfer
- 0640-545 Advanced Transport Phenomena
- 0640-555 Chemical Process Dynamics and Control

**9 SUB DISCIPLINE ELECTIVE COURSES (3 credits each)****I. WATER & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

- 0640-513 Food Processing
- 0640-551 Air Pollution Control
- 0640-552 Waste Minimization
- 0640-557 Industrial Water Treatment
- 0640-561 Advanced Desalination

- 0640-562 Multi-phase Flow
- 0640-565 Advanced Corrosion Engineering
- 0640-567 Membrane Technology
- 0640-569 Special Topics in Water Technology
- 0640-595 Special Topics in Pollution Engineering

## II. PETROLEUM REFINING AND PETROCHEMICALS:

- 0640-512 Fluidization Engineering
- 0640-563 Advanced Natural Gas Processing
- 0640-565 Advanced Corrosion Engineering
- 0640-566 Catalytic Process in Petroleum Refining
- 0640-570 Polymer Engineering
- 0640-571 Energy Conservation
- 0640-572 Advanced Petroleum Refining
- 0640-574 Estimation of Fluid Properties
- 0640-575 Fluid Phase Equilibrium
- 0640-577 Special Topics in Petrochemical Engineering
- 0640-579 Advanced Petrochemical Engineering

## III. PROCESS ECONOMICS AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

- 0640-540 Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Engineering
- 0640-553 Computer Aided Process Design
- 0640-555 Chemical Process Dynamics and Control
- 0640-571 Energy Conservation
- 0640-581 Advanced Economic Analysis
- 0640-582 Process Optimization
- 0640-583 Innovation and Technology Management
- 0640-584 Analytical Tools for Investment Management
- 0640-590 Special Topics in Process System Engineering
- 0640-591 Special Topics in Techno-Economics

### 6(12) FREE ELECTIVE COURSES

A maximum of 3 credit hours (thesis students) and 6 credits hours (project students) can be taken from **core engineering**, any other engineering, science, computer science, and engineering or joint graduate programs with the approval of the Graduate Program Director and Area Committee Chairman before registering the course. **Also, courses can be taken from the same graduate program courses.**

### COMPULSORY

- 0640-592 Seminar (0)
- 0640-593 Project (3) (non-thesis only)
- 0640-597 Thesis (0)
- 0640-598 Thesis (0)
- 2000-599 Thesis (9)

**COURSE DESCRIPTION****0640-511: ADVANCED MATHEMATICS IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

First order differential equation. Partial differential equations. Laplace transforms. Fourier transform. Separation of variables. Similarity solution. Perturbation analysis. Polynomial approximation. Non-linear regression. Multiple regression. Introduction to neural networks.

**0640-512: FLUIDIZATION ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

This objective of this course is to give students a good grounding in fluidization technology, which is widely employed in the petrochemical and other industry sectors. Topics to be covered include: basics of fluidization; types of fluidized bed (e.g. dense-phase, fast-fluidized beds, three-phase beds, etc.); industrial applications; gas distributors - their importance and design; gas cleaning equipment, e.g. cyclones, bag filters, etc., bubble mechanics; heat and mass transfer; modelling and design.

**0640-513: FOOD PROCESSING  
CR: 3**

Background to the food industry, food-processing operations; brief descriptions of relevant food chemistry and microbiology; heat-treatment operations; sterilization and pasteurization (retorting); UHT processing; refrigeration; and a description of food processing sectors relevant to Kuwait (e.g. milling and baking).

**0640-521: ADVANCED CHEMICAL ENGINEERING THERMODYNAMICS  
CR: 3**

Review of first second and third laws of thermodynamics. Applications of the first and second laws. Fundamental equations and thermodynamic relations. Gibbs-Duhem equation. Partial molar quantities. Equations of state and fugacity calculations. Thermodynamic departure quantities. Intermolecular forces and property estimations. Phase equilibrium calculations. Chemical reaction equilibrium and effects of temperature and pressure on reaction conversions. Statistical thermodynamics and partition functions. Use of statistical thermodynamics in estimating thermodynamic properties.

**0640-522: ADVANCED REACTOR DESIGN  
CR: 3**

Effect of temperature, pressure and mixing patterns on conversion and product distribution in complex

homogeneous reactions. Theoretical models for non-ideal flow and fluid mixing.

**0640-540: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

History of artificial intelligence. Expert system knowledge, computing and manipulation of knowledge. Process applications of expert systems such as the co-operate intelligence network, production management and supervision including setpoint optimization, process sequencing and production recipes. Process control applications in intelligent operator interface, predictive control and fuzzy control. Applications in safety systems and alarm management.

**0640-541: ADVANCED MOMENTUM TRANSFER  
CR: 3**

Different patterns of flow: in an annulus, two immiscible fluids, creeping. Equation of continuity, of motion and of change. Velocity distribution in turbulent flow. Time smoothed equations, eddy viscosity and friction factors for different flows. Fluidized bed hydrodynamics. Turbulence theory and applications to mixing.

**0640-543: ADVANCED HEAT TRANSFER  
CR: 3**

Correlations of heat transfer coefficient. Unsteady and two dimensional conduction: analytical solution compared to numerical techniques and where each method fits. Thermal boundary-layers flow and temperature distribution in turbulent flows. Application of different numerical techniques in fluid flow-heat transfer problems. Introduction to some topics in radiation. Two phase heat transfer case study for design.

**0640-544: ADVANCED MASS TRANSFER  
CR: 3**

Models for diffusion and dispersion. Mass transfer with chemical reactions. Simultaneous heat and mass transfer. Modelling of absorption, extraction and adsorption systems. Energy requirements for operations. Synthesis of separation sequences.

**0640-545: ADVANCED TRANSPORT PHENOMENA  
CR: 3**

Principles of molecular diffusion and measurement and characteristics of diffusion coefficient. Flow field induced by mass transfer. Heat and mass transfer in absence of a flow field. Flow field

induced by body forces or external forces, finite difference solution of transport problems. Moving boundary problems.

**0640-551: AIR POLLUTION CONTROL  
CR: 3**

Dispersion models of pollutants in the atmosphere. Particulate matter and design of control equipment. Gaseous pollutants and design of control equipment. Atmospheric photochemical reactions. Instrumentation, measurement and emission testing equipment. Air pollution packages. Application.

**0640-552: WASTE MINIMIZATION  
CR: 3**

Concept of clean technologies with minimal emissions. Concept of waste minimization and its applications in process design. Waste reduction technologies such as in-plant modifications, recycle, recovery and re-use and waste exchange. Case studies will include examples from petroleum refining, petrochemical and chemical industries.

**0640-553: COMPUTER AIDED PROCESS  
DESIGN  
CR: 3**

Introduction to Computer Aided Design (CAD). Chemical Engineering Simulation Systems (CHESS). Flow sheet synthesis. Distillation column simulators (Distill). Absorption, extraction and distillation simulators (ABDIS). Workshop problems.

**0640-555: CHEMICAL PROCESS DYNAMICS  
AND CONTROL  
CR: 3**

Mathematical principles of process dynamics and control. Derivation and solution of differential equations describing the behaviour of typical chemical engineering process units. Mathematical analysis and design of control systems. Digital and sampled data control systems.

**0640-557: INDUSTRIAL WATER TREATMENT  
CR: 3**

Application of chemical engineering principles to selected operations encountered in industrial waste water treatment. The course highlights the removal of suspended solids biological treatment, and chemical treatment methods.

**0640-561: ADVANCED DESALINATION  
CR: 3**

Development of desalination technology. Basic principles of desalination. Theory and practice of the following desalination plants: Multistage flash

distillation, multiple effect boiling, Reverse osmosis, electro dialysis, solar distillation, freezing. Dual-purpose desalination plants. Main problems in desalination (e.g. scale formations and corrosion). Cost considerations, comparative studies of some desalination plants.

**0640-562: MULTI-PHASE FLOW  
CR: 3**

Gas-liquid systems, solid-liquid systems, homogeneous slurries, heterogeneous slurries, long distance transportation in pipelines, gas-solid pneumatic transportation. Complex flow systems. Modelling and computational aid in multiphase flow.

**0640-563: ADVANCED NATURAL GAS  
PROCESSING  
CR: 3**

Layout of local petroleum industry, phase equilibria concepts, water-hydrocarbon systems, hydrate formation, amine treatment, carbonate treatment, liquifaction, liquids recovery.

**0640-565: ADVANCED CORROSION  
ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

Advanced treatment of corrosion engineering with emphasis on industrial local problems. Atmospheric and seawater corrosion. Cathodic and anodic protection. Corrosion: Protection and inhibition.

**0640-566: CATALYTIC PROCESSES  
IN PETROLEUM REFINING  
CR: 3**

This course focuses on the design and modeling of various types of catalytic reactors used in Petroleum Refining Industry. Emphasis will be focused on the following refining operations: Catalytic cracking, catalytic hydrocracking, catalytic hydrotreating, catalytic reforming, catalytic isomerization, catalytic alkylation, and catalytic polymerization.

**0640-567: MEMBRANE TECHNOLOGY  
CR: 3**

Types of membrane separation processes. Gas permeation in a membrane. Dialysis. Reverse osmosis. Ultrafiltration membrane process. Gel permeation chromatography. Membrane manufacture. Membrane physical and chemical properties.

**0640-569: SPECIAL TOPICS IN WATER TECHNOLOGY**  
**CR: 3**

An upper division of graduate technical elective treating topics in Engineering mostly not covered in other courses, chosen at the discretion of the Graduate Program Committee.

**0640-570: POLYMER ENGINEERING**  
**CR: 3**

Introduction to statistical mechanical theories. Brownian motion. Dynamics of flexible polymers in ideal solutions. Multichain systems. Viscoelasticity theories. Dynamic of a Polymer in a fixed network. Ridged rodlike polymers in ideal solutions. Ridged rodlike polymers in semidilute solutions. Ridged rodlike polymers in concentrated solutions.

**0640-571: ENERGY CONSERVATION**  
**CR: 3**

Thermodynamics and energy conservation, energy and separation processes, optimization of heat exchanger systems, thermally coupled distillation systems, heat pumps, hybrid desalination systems, economic analysis of technical solution to energy conservation problems, term paper.

**0640-572: ADVANCED PETROLEUM REFINING**  
**CR: 3**

Refinery configurations. Characterizations of crude oils and products. Coking. Catalytic cracking. Catalytic hydrocracking. Hydroprocessing and Hydrotreating. Reforming. Product blending. Computer simulation of refinery processes.

**0640-574: ESTIMATION OF FLUID PROPERTIES**  
**CR: 3**

Estimation procedures for properties of gases and liquids. Critical properties PVT, heat capacities. Thermodynamic properties, vapor pressure, surface tension, viscosities, thermal conductivities and diffusion coefficients. Application to industrial problems.

**0640-575: FLUID PHASE EQUILIBRIUM**  
**CR: 3**

Essence of the problem. Thermodynamics of phase equilibrium. Fugacity calculation of thermodynamic properties of fluids using equation of state. Intermolecular forces and theory of corresponding states. Property changes on mixing

phase rule. Gibbs Duhem equation. Fundamental equations of, calculation of vapor liquid, liquid-liquid-solubility stability. Application and impact of data precision on design.

**0640-577: SPECIAL TOPICS IN PETROCHEMICAL ENGINEERING**  
**CR: 3**

An upper division of graduate technical elective treating topics in mostly not covered in other courses, chosen at the discretion of the Graduate Program Committee.

**0640-579: ADVANCED PETROCHEMICAL ENGINEERING**  
**CR: 3**

Selected topics in Petrochemical Engineering. Production of alcohols, ethers, aromatics, ethylene, propylene and glycols. Computer simulation of one of the above topics.

**0640-581: ADVANCED ECONOMIC ANALYSIS**  
**CR: 3**

The project cycle. Financial statements and ration analysis. Discounted cash flow analysis. Decision rules for single and multiple alternatives. Inflation and currency issues. Rate of return and leverage. Cost/benefit analysis. Cost estimation. Sensitivity analysis and risk management. Monte Carlo simulation and decision tree analysis. Market assessment and forecasting. Supply and demand analysis. Project and case studies.

**0640-582: PROCESS OPTIMIZATION**  
**CR: 3**

This course surveys basic computational tools and theory for solving linear and nonlinear optimization problems. The value of these tools will be illustrated on applications including chemical plant design, process operations and scheduling, and parameter estimation. A main goal of the course is to introduce students to the philosophy underlying optimization and the tools necessary to implement this philosophy. A large variety of examples show the wide applicability of optimization methodology.

**0640-583: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT**  
**CR: 3**

R&D environment. R&D communication and virtual teams. Integration of R&D into corporate

strategy. Developing corporate competence area. Managing competence. Technology acquisition and transfer. Approaches to developing new business areas and management of change. Internal development, licensing, joint ventures, alliances, venture capital and acquisitions.

**0640-584: ANALYTICAL TOOLS FOR INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT  
CR: 3**

The concept of technical analysis. Dow theory and behavioral finance. Cycle theory and applications. The long wave and technological issues. Business and market cycles. Elliot wave theory. Fibonacci numbers and applications. Pattern recognition and time series identification. Input/output models and multivariable modelling. Neural networks and applications. Detrending techniques. Oscillators and market timing. Statistical analysis applied to investment management.

**0640-590: SPECIAL TOPICS IN PROCESS SYSTEM ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

An upper division of graduate technical elective treating topics in Engineering mostly not covered in other courses, chosen at the discretion of the Graduate Program Committee.

**0640-591: SPECIAL TOPICS IN TECHNO-ECONOMICS  
CR: 3**

An upper division of graduate technical elective treating topics in Engineering mostly not covered in other courses, chosen at the discretion of the Graduate Program Committee.

**0640-592: SEMINAR  
CR: -**

Following the directions of the graduate program committee related to thesis or project.

**0640-593: PROJECT  
CR: 3**

**0640-595: SPECIAL TOPICS IN POLLUTION ENGINEERING  
CR: 3**

An upper division of graduate technical elective treating topics in Engineering mostly not covered in other courses, chosen at the discretion of the Graduate Program Committee.

**0640-597: THESIS  
CR: 0**

**0640-598: THESIS  
CR: 0**

**2000-599: THESIS  
CR: 9**