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Dale E. and Sarah Ann Fowler School of Engineering

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The Fowler School of Engineering prepares students to become leaders in constantly-evolving engineering fields that are becoming increasingly interdisciplinary and complex. Through a combination of personalized and experiential coursework, independent research opportunities, and alignment with industry partners, our degree programs produce students who are excited and fearless when it comes to solving technical problems that, at first glance, might seem impossible.

Grand Challenges Initiative

Students pursuing any B.S. degree in the school must 1) satisfy their First-Year Foundations Course (FFC) requirement by enrolling in [FFC 100B - First Year Foundations: Grand Challenges in Science and Engineering](#); and 2) enroll in and pass 3 (ideally consecutive) 1-credit Grand Challenges Initiative seminars.

The Grand Challenges Initiative requirement of 3 1-credit seminar courses ([SCI 150](#), [SCI 200](#) and [SCI 250](#)) is waived for students who have transferred in 60 or more credits from another accredited institution of higher education prior to matriculation. Dual credit (AP, IB, A-Level or college-level coursework) completed while in high school is not included; the 60 transferable credits must follow the completion of secondary school.

GPA and Grade Option Requirements

Students pursuing any degree in the school must maintain a 2.000 grade point average in the major and a 2.500 grade point average for all lower-division courses in the major. All courses in the major must be taken for a letter grade except for those that may only be taken or that have a default grading option of P/NP.

Degree Program Honors

Students must have a major GPA of 3.500 or higher by the conclusion of the term prior to graduation and must have completed a minimum of 120 hours of independent research. Completion of independent research includes the completion of a scientific paper in the relevant scientific field, or an oral presentation to the faculty, or a poster presentation at the

Chapman University Student Research Day. Additionally, a vote by the appropriate faculty group that the research and corresponding artifacts were of sufficient quality to merit honors is required. Additional degree program honor requirements, if they exist, are listed under the degree program description.

Degrees

Bachelor of Science

- [Computer Engineering, B.S.](#)
- [Computer Science, B.S.](#)
- [Data Science, B.S.](#)
- [Electrical Engineering, B.S.](#)
- [Software Engineering, B.S.](#)

Minor

- [Analytics, Minor](#)
- [Computer Engineering, Minor](#)
- [Computer Science, Minor](#)
- [Electrical Engineering, Minor](#)
- [Game Development Programming, Minor](#)
- [Information Security and Policy, Minor](#)

Integrated Program

- [Integrated Bachelor's degree / Master of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science](#)

Courses

Computer Engineering

• CENG 231 - Systems Programming

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#). Corequisite, [CENG 231L](#). This course introduces students to concepts and techniques in systems programming with the programming languages C and C++ in a *nix environment. Students will gain insight into hardware-software interfaces through hands-on projects involving system calls, concurrency, network programming, memory mapping, and low-level mechanisms for inter-process communication. A laboratory component will allow students to implement conceptual ideas in code for enterprise, real-time, and embedded hardware targets. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

• CENG 231L - Lab - Systems Programming

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#). Corequisite, [CENG 231](#). Laboratory component of [CENG 231](#). Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester.) **1 credit**

• CENG 298 - Computer Engineering Colloquium

Students will be exposed to topics in computer engineering through directed reading, guest speakers, and practicums. P/NP. May be repeated for credit. (Offered every year.) **1 credit**

- **CENG 330 - Digital Logic Design I**

Prerequisite, CPSC 231 or CENG 231. Corequisite, CENG 330L. Students learn the fundamental principles and practice of digital logic. The course covers binary numbers and arithmetic. Students study Boolean algebra as a method of reasoning about sequential circuits including truth tables and Karnaugh maps, logic minimization, gates and flip-flops, sequential logic and combinatorial logic. The course requires one hour of supervised work in a laboratory in addition to three hours per week of lecture. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 330L - Lab - Digital Logic Design I**

Prerequisite, CENG 231 or CPSC 231. Corequisite, CENG 330. Laboratory component of CENG 330. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **1 credit**

- **CENG 350 - Embedded Systems**

Prerequisite, [CENG 231](#). An in-depth study of the high-level abstract modeling concepts and the lower-level fundamental programming aspects of real-time embedded systems development. The primary focus is in the design, development and validation of microprocessor-based real-time embedded systems. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 351 - Computer Architecture I**

Prerequisite, CENG 330. Students learn the organization and structure of the major hardware components of computers to understand the mechanics of information transfer and control within a digital computer system and the fundamentals of logic design. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 352 - Computer Architecture II**

Prerequisite, CENG 351. Topics include the design and analysis of instruction set processors, memory management, multi-processors, and networks. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as reading and conference only.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 353 - Wireless Communication**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 353](#). Wireless networks play an increasingly important role in the world of communications. This course provides an introduction to various current and next generation wireless networking technologies, and undertakes a detailed exploration of fundamental architectural and design principles used at all layers. Related protocols and their performance are studied using formal analytical tools and realistic simulations. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 366 - Digital Logic Design II**

Prerequisite, CENG 330. Corequisite, CENG 366L. This course introduces combinational and sequential logic circuits, including decoders, multiplexers, flip-flops, arithmetic circuits, and implementations of finite state machines using hardware design languages and FPGA boards. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 366L - Lab - Digital Logic Design II**

Prerequisite, CENG 330. Corequisite, CENG 366. Laboratory Component of CENG 366. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **1 credit**

- **CENG 370 - Topics in Computer Engineering**

Advanced topics in computer engineering. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 380 - Real-Time Operating Systems**

Prerequisites, [CENG 350](#), [CPSC 380](#). The theory and practice of developing real-time and embedded systems. The course provides an integrated approach to developing low-power systems with hardware, software, sensors, actuators, controllers and networking. Students will learn to develop a programmable embedded platform from scratch, interface a variety of sensors and actuators for interactive systems, build a gaming system, program an emulator to play retro games, control an autonomous robot and write an RTOS kernel from scratch. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 381 - Modeling and Simulation**

Prerequisite, [CENG 231](#). Fundamentals and techniques for designing and using simulation, modeling, and optimization algorithms with applications in system performance modeling, business infrastructure modeling, and distributed and parallel computing. An introduction to advanced complex systems models. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 382 - Digital Signal Processing**

Prerequisites, [CENG 381](#) and [MATH 116](#) or [MATH 210](#). This course covers the techniques and tools of modern digital signal processing. Techniques for processing signals are examined including discrete-time linear systems, finite impulse response digital filters, infinite impulse response digital filters, fast Fourier transforms, response of LTI systems to statistical signals, digital filter design, and applications. Students will gain insight into evaluating DSP systems and justifying choices among alternative designs. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 390 - Robotics**

Prerequisites, [CENG 231](#) or [CPSC 231](#) and [EENG 200](#). Students discover the fundamentals of kinematics, dynamics, and control of robot manipulators, robotic vision, and sensing. In addition, elementary principles on proximity, tactile, and force sensing, vision sensors, camera calibration, stereo construction, and motion detection are presented. Students gain hands on experience through a series of assignments in which they build and test their own robot. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 465 - Integrated Circuit Design I**

Prerequisite, CENG 330. This course introduces students to the analysis and design of digital integrated circuits including combinational (static and dynamic) and sequential logic integrated circuits using CMOS technology. Students will learn transistor structure, circuit schematic, physical design, Design Rule Checking, Layout Versus Schematic checking, circuit extraction, and simulation using CAD tools. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 466 - Integrated Circuit Design II**

Prerequisites, CENG 330, CENG 465. Recommended, PHYS 102. The course integrates theoretical and functional ideas from Digital Logic I with the physical electronics covered in Integrated Circuit Design I toward the design of real-world integrated circuits. The course also introduces the student to VLSI CAD tools for physical design. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as reading and conference only.) **3 credits**

- **CENG 490 - Independent Internship**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Internship courses give students the opportunity to earn academic credit while gaining practical work experience, as well as an increased understanding of and exposure to a given career field. Pass/No Pass. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **½-6 credits**

- **CENG 491 - Student-Faculty Research/Creative Activity**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students engage in independent, faculty-mentored scholarly research/creative activity in their discipline which develops fundamentally novel knowledge, content, and/or data. Topics or projects are chosen after discussions between student and instructor who agree upon objective and scope. Pass/No Pass or Letter grade option with consent of instructor. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered every semester.) **1-3 credits**

- **CENG 499 - Individual Study**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Individual study and research is offered to students to research particular topics that are not provided for by regular curriculum offerings. To enroll in individual study and research, students must complete the individual study and research form (available from the Office of the University Registrar) and obtain the signatures of the department chair of the course and course instructor. After receiving approval, the student must submit the form to the Office of the University Registrar. Students should spend 40 to 50 hours in instruction and research for each credit of individual study. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **1-6 credits**

Computer Science

- **CPSC 228 - Introduction to Game Programming**

Students are introduced to the basics of computer programming and game creation using one of the most popular programming languages in game development, C#. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 229 - Experimental Course**

Computer Science experimental courses are designed to offer additional opportunities to explore areas and subjects of special interest. Course titles, prerequisites, and credits may vary. Some courses require student lab fees. Specific course details will be listed in the course schedule. May be repeated for credit if the topic is different. Fee: TBD. (Offered as needed.) **½-4 credits**

- **CPSC 230 - Computer Science I**

Students are introduced to problem-solving methods and algorithm development through an interactive and easy-to-learn programming language, Python. (Offered every

semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 231 - Computer Science II**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#), or equivalent. This course is a comprehensive study of object-oriented computing with a mainstream programming language, Java. The course introduces the principal features of the language with a focus on object-oriented development, code reuse, and large program structure. The course also covers advance topics such as concurrency and graphical user interfaces. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 236 - Object-Oriented Programming in C#**

Prerequisite, CPSC 228 or [CPSC 230](#). Students learn object-oriented programming using the C# programming language. Students are also introduced to Unity, a C# technology and the most widely-used game development platform, creating a series of games throughout the course. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 242 - Introduction to the Game Industry**

Students learn the history of electronic games and gaming platforms, the development cycle of electronic games, the roles and responsibilities of the members of a game production team, and the roles of interface design, mathematics, artificial intelligence and storytelling in game development. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 244 - Level Design I**

Prerequisites, CPSC 228 or CPSC 231. Students learn to create interactive simulation software through the use and programming of a professional level editor with an emphasis on scripting techniques. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 245 - Unity Programming**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 236](#). Students will gain experience developing software for Unity, a popular cross-platform game engine. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 246 - The Unreal Game Engine**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#). Students will gain experience developing games for the Unreal game engine. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 250 - Computer Systems and Assembly Language Programming**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#), or equivalent. Students learn basic programming and program structure in an assembly language and gain experience with machine language and instructions, execution, addressing and representation of data, macros, subroutines, linkages, and recursive routines. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 260 - Introduction to Robotics**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#). Students learn how to program a robot to interact with the environment via light, sonar, rotation, and touch sensors. Students will also learn the physics of translational motion, rotational motion, and forces as applied to the study of robotics, as well as basic engineering concepts. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 285 - Social and Ethical Issues in Computing**

This course considers a range of ethical and social issues related to the effects of computers on how we live, focusing on broad social issues as well as individual responsibilities. Privacy and intellectual property (e.g. P2P downloading), software licenses, software reliability, and risks. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 290 - Independent Internship**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. P/NP. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **½-6 credits**

- **CPSC 291 - Student-Faculty Research/Creative Activity**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students engage in independent, faculty-mentored scholarly research/creative activity in their discipline which develops fundamentally novel knowledge, content, and/or data. Topics or projects are chosen after discussions between student and instructor who agree upon objective and scope. P/NP or letter grade option with consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit. (Offered every semester.) **1-3 credits**

- **CPSC 292 - Introduction to Exploratory Data Analysis**

Students will learn the fundamentals of data processing and exploratory data analysis using a statistical computing language such as R. Emphasis will be placed on data cleaning, data visualization, and simple statistical analyses. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 293 - Mathematical Foundations of Machine Learning**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 230](#), [MATH 203](#) and [MATH 110](#) or [MATH 115](#). A concise overview of the mathematical foundations of machine learning, including key intermediate concepts from calculus, linear algebra, probability, statistics, and optimization. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 298 - Computer Science Colloquium**

Students will be exposed to topics in computer science through directed reading, guest speakers, and practicums. P/NP. May be repeated for credit. (Offered every year.) **1 credit**

- **CPSC 299 - Individual Study**

Prerequisite, freshman, or sophomore standing only and consent of instructor. For students who wish to pursue a special area of study not included in the curriculum. To enroll in individual study and research, students must complete the individual study and research form (available from the Office of the University Registrar) and obtain the signatures of the department chair of the course and course instructor. Students should spend 40 to 50 hours in instruction and research for each credit of individual study. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **1-6 credits**

- **CPSC 308 - Enterprise Data Management**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#), or [CPSC 236](#). CPSC 308 is an introductory course on data management, with emphasis on database systems for organizations. Students will learn the fundamentals of data storage and retrieval, gaining hands-on experience with the Structured Query Language (SQL) and a contemporary relational database management

system. Students will also be exposed to advances in NoSQL technologies, which provide alternative storage mechanisms for noisy and unstructured data. Students majoring in Computer Science, Software Engineering, or Computer Information Systems may not use CPSC 308 to fulfill major requirements. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 320 - Quantum Information Science**

(Same as [PHYS 340](#).) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 329 - Experimental Course**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#). Computer Science experimental courses are designed to offer additional opportunities to explore areas and subjects of special interest. Course titles, prerequisites, and credits may vary. Some courses require student lab fees. Specific course details will be listed in the course schedule. May be repeated for credit if the topic is different. Fee: TBD. (Offered as needed.) **1-3 credits**

- **CPSC 339 - Game Planning and Design**

Prerequisites, CPSC 236, CPSC244 Students will explore the full design lifecycle for games, including formal methods and best practices for planning and project management. Emphasis will be placed on mastering key concepts from the preproduction process. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 340 - Game Development**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 244](#) and [CPSC 231](#), or [CPSC 236](#). Game Development covers programming techniques for writing a broad range of computer video games including 2D arcade style, isometric, 3D and networked games. Students will learn to program with a professional game development engine. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 344 - Level Design II**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 244](#). Students learn to create interactive simulation software through the use and programming of professional game design software with a focus on 3-D rendering and advanced AI Scripting. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 348 - Software Engineering**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#) or [CPSC 236](#). Students study the system development life cycle. The emphasis is on software design, from requirements elicitation to detailed design with UML and implementation/testing with standard tools. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as reading and conference only.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 349 - Human Factors**

Prerequisite, [CENG 231](#) or [CPSC 231](#). Students study the foundations of human factors, with emphasis on user interface design and user experience. Topics include engineering psychology, design constraints, memory models, visual and auditory processing, and human-centered design. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 350 - Data Structures and Algorithms**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#) or [CENG 231](#). Students study core data structures and algorithms, such as arrays, stacks, lists, queues, trees, hash tables, graphs; search and sort. Students engage on projects that involve individually chosen advanced data structures and algorithms. The focus is on applications of data structures and algorithms, utilization of existing practical data sets, and performance trade-offs. Letter grade. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 353 - Data Communications and Computer Networks**

Prerequisite, [CENG 231](#) or [CPSC 231](#). Students explore the principles and techniques of data communications and give special emphasis to networks and distributed systems. The I.S.O. Reference Model for open systems interconnection will be investigated and the function and operation of each protocol layer analyzed in detail. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 354 - Programming Languages**

Prerequisites, [MATH 250](#), [CPSC 350](#). Students develop an understanding of the organization and design of programming languages through writing interpreters for three different toy languages illustrating a range of programming concepts from pure functional languages to imperative languages with memory management. Moreover, the course will open windows into topics of programming languages research such as parsing, operational and denotational semantics, term rewriting, Hoare logic, verification, and theorem proving. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 355 - Human Computer Interaction**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 349](#). Students study the foundations of human-interaction, with emphasis on user-centered design methodologies. Topics such as usability, human factors, user studies, and multi-model interfaces will be explored, and the theory put into practice through programming projects that develop graphical user interfaces and applications for the Android or iPhone/iPad. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 356 - Android Application Development**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#). An introduction to app development using the Android operating system and development kit. Students will learn the fundamentals of mobile embedded programming and apply their skills to implement non-trivial projects on target hardware such as smart phones and tablets. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 357 - iOS Application Development**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#). An introduction to app development using the iOS operating system and Swift. Students will learn the fundamentals of mobile embedded programming and apply their skills to implement non-trivial projects on target hardware such as ipads, iphones, and watches. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 358 - Assistive Technology**

Recommended preparation, [CPSC 230](#). An introduction to assistive technologies (AT). In particular, students will study social, cultural, and economic factors of disability as they pertain to AT. This will be accomplished by studying existing practices and challenges, designing new user experiences, and integrating new technologies into the AT space. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 359 - Computer-Supported Cooperative Work**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 355](#). Computer-supported cooperative work explores the technical, organizational, and social issues involved in designing, developing, deploying, and evaluating computational and communication tools to support groups, organizations, communities, and networks. This course will provide an initial survey of CSCW research and practices in the past 25 years and give students hands-on experience through a group design project aimed at orienting students to design for cooperative activities. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 360 - Computer Graphics**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 350](#). The fundamental concepts of graphics software, hardware, and standards are examined. The course gives special emphasis to three-dimensional graphics and provides an introduction to graphical user interfaces. (Offered interterm, alternate years.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 370 - Topics in Computer Science**

May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 380 - Operating Systems**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 350](#). The course emphasizes the major principles of operating system design and the interrelationship between the operating system and the hardware. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 390 - Artificial Intelligence**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 350](#). Students study the tools, techniques, and applications of artificial intelligence. Students will be introduced to the programming techniques utilized in artificial intelligence applications. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 392 - Introduction to Data Science**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 230](#), and [MATH 203](#) or [MATH 303](#) or [MGSC 209](#). This course provides a survey of algorithms, tools, and techniques for computing with Big Data. Students will be exposed to fundamental concepts in data mining, machine learning, and information retrieval systems, with special emphasis on statistical techniques for data visualization and analysis. Recent advances in high performance computing, such as map-reduce, will be presented in the context of Big Data. Students will apply data mining algorithms to data sets from biology, chemistry, social media, and industry. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 393 - Machine Learning**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 392](#). This course provides a survey of algorithmic techniques for machine learning, including statistical techniques for pattern recognition. Topics include neural networks, deep learning, support vector machines, and kernel methods. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 399 - Individual Study**

May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **1-3 credits**

- **CPSC 402 - Compiler Construction**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 350](#), [CPSC 354](#). Students will learn the software tools and programming techniques needed to design and build a prototype implementation of a domain-specific language. On the theoretical side, students will learn enough of the mathematical underpinnings of the tools to apply them with confidence. On the practical side, students will write a grammar and build a lexer, parser, type checker, and interpreter for a fragment of C++. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

• CPSC 406 - Algorithm Analysis

Prerequisite, MATH 250 and [CPSC 350](#). Students study ideas and techniques useful for designing and analyzing data structures and algorithms. In particular, the analytic tools needed for analyzing upper bounds for algorithms and lower bounds for problems will be covered. Problem areas include sorting, graph-based problems, dynamic programming, combinatorial algorithms, computational geometry, encryption, parallel and distributed models, and NP-completeness. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

• CPSC 408 - Database Management

Prerequisite, [CPSC 350](#). Students learn data management concepts and the representation and structure of data in the context of applications and system software. The emphasis is on design of databases and developing applications in a client-server environment using SQL as the query language. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

• CPSC 430 - Computational Economics

Prerequisites, [MATH 110](#) and [CPSC 230](#) or [CPSC 236](#) or consent of instructor. This course will introduce students to the computational tools required to understand electronic exchange systems and implement economic experiments. Students will be required to become familiar with numerical analysis, computer simulation and programming of experiments. Letter grade. (Offered as reading and conference only.) **4 credits**

• CPSC 435 - BioMedical Informatics

Prerequisite, [CPSC 230](#). Students are introduced to contemporary research topics in medical informatics, including computational techniques for the collection, management, retrieval, and analysis of biomedical data. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

• CPSC 440 - Collaborative Game Development

Prerequisite, [CPSC 340](#). This is a capstone project course in which students design and develop games in collaborative projects. Working with faculty and visiting industry experts, students propose a concept for a computer game or applied interactive simulation, developing that concept over the course of the semester through several stages of specification and prototyping. Final prototypes are entered in a competition at the end of the course whose jury may include representatives from game and simulation development companies. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

• CPSC 445 - High Performance Computing

Prerequisite, [CPSC 350](#), or consent of instructor. The course introduces students to parallel computing architectures and programming models. Students learn and practice parallel programming techniques using shared memory and message passing. Course topics include parallel computing fundamentals, Unix and C, shared memory parallel computing (with OpenMP), message passing parallel computing (with MPI), parallel performance evaluation, and multilevel parallel computing (with OpenMP and MPI)

combined). (Offered alternate years.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 453 - Network Implementation and Security**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 353](#). Students explore the principles and techniques for implementing TCP/IP based networks using Microsoft Windows and Linux servers and clients, including the skills to configure, customize, optimize, troubleshoot, and integrate networks. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 458 - Web Engineering**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 350](#). Students explore the principles and techniques for developing and managing web applications using HTML5, CSS and JavaScript, as well as other web development frameworks such as Ruby on Rails. Students will acquire skills to develop, install, configure, customize, optimize, and troubleshoot web applications. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **CPSC 490 - Independent Internship**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. P/NP. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **½-6 credits**

- **CPSC 491 - Student-Faculty Research/Creative Activity**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students engage in independent, faculty-mentored scholarly research/creative activity in their discipline which develops fundamentally novel knowledge, content, and/or data. Topics or projects are chosen after discussions between student and instructor who agree upon objective and scope. P/NP or letter grade option with consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit. (Offered every semester.) **1-3 credits**

- **CPSC 499 - Individual Study**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **1-6 credits**

Electrical Engineering

- **EENG 200 - Electronics and Circuits I**

Prerequisite, [MATH 110](#) or [MATH 115](#). Corequisite, [EENG 200L](#). Students begin their study of electronics and circuits by studying electricity (current, energy, voltage, power), electronic components (resistors, capacitors, diodes, etc), and fundamental laws for circuits. Students will gain hands on experience building circuits with solderless breadboards in a separate laboratory component. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 200L - Lab - Electronics and Circuits I**

Prerequisite, [MATH 110](#) or [MATH 115](#). Corequisite, [EENG 200](#). Lab component of [EENG 200](#). Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester.) **1 credit**

- **EENG 201 - Digital Signals and Filters**

Prerequisite, [MATH 111](#) or [MATH 116](#). Students are introduced to concepts of signal processing focusing on spectrum representation, sampling and aliasing, FIR and IIR filters, frequency response of FIR filters, discrete Fourier and z-Transforms. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 300 - Electronics and Circuits II**

Prerequisite, [EENG 200](#). Corequisite, [EENG 300L](#). Students continue their study of circuits, moving into digital and mixed signal circuit design. Topics include transistors, diodes, AC and DC analysis, analyzing circuit response, and integrated circuits. Students will gain hands on experience in the lab by prototyping circuits, simulating complex designs, and designing and analyzing simple PCB circuits. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 300L - Lab - Electronics and Circuits II**

Prerequisite, [EENG 200L](#). Corequisite, [EENG 300](#). Lab component of [EENG 300](#). Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered fall semester.) **1 credit**

- **EENG 310 - Engineering Mathematics**

Prerequisite, [MATH 215](#). Students are introduced to mathematical methods for engineers. The class covers topics including matrix theory, complex variables, Laplace and Fourier series, probability theory, and mathematical statistics. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 320 - Microelectronics I**

Prerequisites, [EENG 200](#) and [PHYS 102](#) or [PHYS 108](#). Corequisite, [EENG 320L](#). Students are introduced to the fundamental semiconductor devices such as diodes, MOSFETs and BJTs. The I-V characteristics, DC models, and AC small signal models of these devices are utilized in circuit design. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 320L - Microelectronics I Lab**

Prerequisites, [EENG 200](#) and [PHYS 102](#) or [PHYS 108](#). Corequisite, [EENG 320](#). Lab component of [EENG 320](#). Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **1 credit**

- **EENG 330 - Electromagnetics I**

Prerequisites, [MATH 116](#) or [MATH 210](#) and [PHYS 102](#). Students are introduced to electromagnetism and Maxwell's equations. The covered topics include electrostatics, magnetostatics, properties of conductive, dielectric, and magnetic materials, static fields in the presence of matter, and separation of variables in electromagnetic theory. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 370 - Topics in Electrical Engineering**

Advanced topics in Electrical Engineering. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. Repeatable for credit if the topic is different. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 398 - Topics in Advanced Engineering Applications**

This course provides a deep dive into very specific advanced engineering topics or technologies. Pass/No Pass. Repeatable for credit if the topic is different. (Offered as needed.)

1 credit

- **EENG 410 - Control Systems**

Prerequisite, [EENG 310](#). Students explore topics related to control systems including linear systems, transfer functions, Laplace transforms, frequency-response, transient response, and feedback through a combination of analytical and computational techniques. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 420 - Microelectronics II**

Prerequisites, [EENG 300](#), [EENG 320](#). Students design integrated circuit amplifiers like differential amplifiers, power amplifiers, and multi-stage operational amplifiers, including their frequency response and design tradeoffs. Op-amp based circuits like active filters and oscillators are also introduced. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 430 - Electromagnetics II**

Prerequisites, [EENG 310](#), [EENG 330](#). Students are introduced to advanced concepts in electromagnetic field theory. The covered topics include time-varying Maxwell's equations, Poynting's theorem, plane wave propagation, and transmission lines. In addition, students will be introduced to the basics of wave confinement in waveguides and antenna radiation. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 440 - Solid State Electronics**

Prerequisites, [PHYS 201](#), [EENG 320](#). Students will be introduced to energy band structures and lattice structures of semiconductor materials and their impact on the device operation. Semiconductor devices such as MOSFETs, BJTs, lasers and solar cells will be explored. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 450 - Photonics**

Prerequisite, [EENG 430](#). Students are introduced to the fundamentals of photonics. The covered topics include fundamental electromagnetic concepts (duality, equivalence, etc.), advanced analysis techniques for photonic systems, and photonic resonators. In addition, students will be introduced to the basics of solid-state devices such as light-emitting diodes, solar cells, photodetectors, and lasers. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **EENG 490 - Independent Internship**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Internship courses give students the opportunity to earn academic credit while gaining practical work experience, as well as an increased understanding of and exposure to a given career field. Pass/No Pass. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **½-6 credits**

- **EENG 491 - Student-Faculty Research/Creative Activity**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students engage in independent, faculty-mentored scholarly research/creative activity in their discipline which develops fundamentally novel knowledge, content, and/or data. Topics or projects are chosen after discussions between student and instructor who agree upon objective and scope. Pass/No Pass or Letter grade option with consent of instructor. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered every semester.) **1-3 credits**

- **EENG 499 - Individual Study**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Individual study and research is offered to students to research particular topics that are not provided for by regular curriculum offerings. To enroll in individual study and research, students must complete the individual study and research form (available from the Office of the University Registrar) and obtain the signatures of the department chair of the course and course instructor. After receiving approval, the student must submit the form to the Office of the University Registrar. Students should spend 40 to 50 hours in instruction and research for each credit of individual study. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. This course may be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **1-6 credits**

Engineering

- **ENGR 101 - Foundations of Design and Fabrication**

Students gain first-hand experience with design and fabrication as a foundation of engineering. Using technologies such as additive manufacturing (eg. 3D printing), embedded systems and software, and electronics, students will work together to develop innovative solutions to interesting problems. This course is offered in a hybrid format only. Pass/No Pass. (Offered every semester.) **3 credits**

- **ENGR 102 - Intermediate Design and Fabrication**

Prerequisite, ENGR 101. Students will be introduced to control systems to enable deeper understanding of more complex electronic circuits, embedded software architecture, and electro-mechanical interfaces. The course will also introduce fundamental operational amplifier circuits, advanced solid state electronic design, advanced Arduino function library applications, robotic articulation controls, and 3D print CAD applications. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester, alternate years.) **3 credits**

- **ENGR 229 - Experimental Course**

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- **ENGR 300 - 3D Printing and Design**

Student are exposed to the complete lifecycle of the 3D printing process. Students will begin by assembling their own fused deposition modeling (FDM) printer, learning the design and function of each hardware component and how they combine to produce a finished print. Students will learn the characteristics of all major filament types, nozzle sizes and types, how to slice 3D models and adjust slicer settings to produce quality gcode, how to resolve common print errors, and how to post-process prints (including wood and metal finishing). Students will also learn to design their own 3D models for printing, culminating in a final, independent project of their own creation. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **ENGR 301 - Advanced 3D Printing and Design**

Prerequisite, ENGR 300. Students will explore advanced topics in 3D printing and additive manufacturing, including latest industry technologies and trends. The course will focus on producing robust 3D prints using a variety of materials intended to satisfy specific engineering requirements. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **ENGR 302 - Processes in Manufacturing**

Students will be introduced to key processes used in manufacturing for a variety of industries. Students will design and fabricate components using CNC machining, casting, sheet metal forming, and plastics processes. Course projects will expose students to the fundamentals of design for manufacturing, while revealing the advantages and limitations of various manufacturing processes. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **ENGR 303 - Advanced Design and Fabrication**

Prerequisites, ENGR 102. Students will use their knowledge of design and fabrication to learn and apply advanced principles from electronics, computing, control theory, additive manufacturing, and robotics. The course will incorporate challenging application assignments, laboratories, and a final semester project. The intention is to provide the student a more extensive industry-level design process experience to foster critical thinking skills in design and ideation. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered spring semester, alternate years.) **3 credits**

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The Fowler School of Engineering prepares students to become leaders in constantly-evolving engineering fields that are becoming increasingly interdisciplinary and complex. Through a combination of personalized and experiential coursework, independent research opportunities, and alignment with industry partners, our degree programs produce students who are excited and fearless when it comes to solving technical problems that, at first glance, might seem impossible.

Grand Challenges Initiative

Students pursuing any B.S. degree in the school must 1) satisfy their First-Year Foundations Course (FFC) requirement by enrolling in [FFC 100B - First Year Foundations: Grand Challenges in Science and Engineering](#); and 2) enroll in and pass 3 (ideally consecutive) 1-credit Grand Challenges Initiative seminars.

The Grand Challenges Initiative requirement of 3 1-credit seminar courses ([SCI 150](#), [SCI 200](#) and [SCI 250](#)) is waived for students who have transferred in 60 or more credits from another accredited institution of higher education prior to matriculation. Dual credit (AP, IB, A-Level or college-level coursework) completed while in high school is not included; the 60 transferable credits must follow the completion of secondary school.

GPA and Grade Option Requirements

Students pursuing any degree in the school must maintain a 2.000 grade point average in the major and a 2.500 grade point average for all lower-division courses in the major. All courses in the major must be taken for a letter grade except for those that may only be taken or that have a default grading option of P/NP.

Degree Program Honors

Students must have a major GPA of 3.500 or higher by the conclusion of the term prior to graduation and must have completed a minimum of 120 hours of independent research. Completion of independent research includes the completion of a scientific paper in the relevant scientific field, or an oral presentation to the faculty, or a poster presentation at the

Chapman University Student Research Day. Additionally, a vote by the appropriate faculty group that the research and corresponding artifacts were of sufficient quality to merit honors is required. Additional degree program honor requirements, if they exist, are listed under the degree program description.

Degrees

Bachelor of Science

- [Computer Engineering, B.S.](#)
- [Computer Science, B.S.](#)
- [Data Science, B.S.](#)
- [Electrical Engineering, B.S.](#)
- [Software Engineering, B.S.](#)

Minor

- [Analytics, Minor](#)
- [Computer Engineering, Minor](#)
- [Computer Science, Minor](#)
- [Electrical Engineering, Minor](#)
- [Game Development Programming, Minor](#)
- [Information Security and Policy, Minor](#)

Integrated Program

- [Integrated Bachelor's degree / Master of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science](#)

Courses

Engineering

• ENGR 304 - Design of Biomedical Diagnostics and Devices

Prerequisite, BIOL 208 or CHEM 150 or PHYS 102 or PHYS 108 or BCHM 208. Students are introduced to the underlying physical, chemical, and biological principles that govern the function of biomedical detection technologies (e.g., pathogen rapid tests, bioanalytical methods, biosensors). The design of diagnostic devices will then be explored in the context of those principles, as well as the design requirements associated with precision, accuracy, ease of use, and clinical adoption, with the latter two points being related to human-centered design and human factors analysis. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

• ENGR 329 - Experimental Course

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- **ENGR 370 - Topics in Engineering**

Advanced topics in Engineering. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. Repeatable for credit if the topic is different. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

Information Security and Policy

- **ISP 363 - Cybersecurity 1**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 353](#). Students are exposed to the world of cybersecurity. Emphasis is placed on understanding, recognizing, and patching security exploits. Students will use standard industry tools and techniques to gain hands-on experience in this rapidly-growing field. Note that students majoring in computer science, computer engineering, software engineering, or data analytics may not use ISP 363 as an elective in the major if they are also minoring in Information Security and Policy. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

- **ISP 371 - Advanced Topics in Cybersecurity**

Prerequisite, [ISP 363](#). In this course students will be exposed to several in-depth topics in computer security through directed reading, guest speakers, hands-on labs and practicums. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. Repeatable for credit if the topic is different. (Offered every year.) **1 credit**

- **ISP 452 - Fundamentals of Digital Forensics**

Prerequisite, [ISP 363](#). This course introduces students to the methodologies and procedures associated with digital forensic analysis and investigations within a network infrastructure. Students will develop an understanding of core topics such as topologies, protocols, and various software tools required to conduct forensic analysis/investigations. Students will comprehend the importance of network forensic principles, legal considerations, digital evidence controls, and proper documentation of forensic procedures and evidence collection. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered every year.) **3 credits**

Software Engineering

- **SE 291 - Student-Faculty Research/Creative Activity**

Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students engage in independent, faculty-mentored scholarly research/creative activity in their discipline which develops fundamentally novel knowledge, content, and/or data. Topics or projects are chosen after discussions between student and instructor who agree upon objective and scope. P/NP or letter grade option with consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit. (Offered every semester.) **1-3 credits**

- **SE 300 - Software Requirements and Testing**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#). Corequisite, [SE 310](#). Students are introduced to the tools and techniques used to elicit, capture, and test software requirements from the perspective of delivering a working software system. In addition to covering standard terminology for software requirements specifications, this course gives an in-depth treatment of formal testing techniques used to ensure software quality and requirement satisfaction. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **SE 310 - Software Design**

Prerequisite, [CPSC 231](#). Corequisite, [SE 300](#). Students gain hands-on experience designing software from a formal set of functional and non-functional software requirements.

(Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **SE 320 - The Software Development Lifecycle**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 350](#), [SE 300](#), [SE 310](#). Students apply their theoretical knowledge of the software development lifecycle to a year-long project spanning all facets of the requirements, design, implementation, test, and maintenance processes. (Offered spring semester.) **3 credits**

- **SE 329 - Experimental Course**

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- **SE 330 - Software Qualification and Delivery**

Prerequisites, [CPSC 350](#), [SE 320](#). Students will be introduced to software project management concepts such as cost and schedule management, defect tracking, staff rotation, and supporting multiple software releases. This course focuses on the implementation and test of a large software system, culminating in formal acceptance testing and delivery to the customer. (Offered fall semester.) **3 credits**

- **SE 370 - Topics in Software Engineering**

Prerequisite, determined by topic being offered. Advanced topics in the theory and practice of the software development lifecycle. Topics may include open-source software development, automated software engineering, empirical software engineering, and case studies of specific code ecosystems. May be repeated for credit. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **SE 410 - Software Process and Management**

Prerequisite, SE 310. Students are exposed to key concepts in software project management such as technical performance metrics, cost estimation, schedule tracking, and tailoring formal software processes to fit individual project requirements. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **SE 420 - Formal Methods in Software Engineering**

Prerequisite, [SE 410](#). A survey in formal methods in software engineering, including topics such as verification techniques, software mining, and specification languages. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**

- **SE 480 - Software Engineering Seminar**

Prerequisite, [SE 300](#). Students are exposed to the latest trends and techniques in software engineering through a weekly seminar series consisting of invited lectures from industry and academia. Letter grade with Pass/No Pass option. (Offered as reading and conference only.) **1 credit**

- **SE 498 - Software Engineering Capstone Project**

Prerequisite, [SE 320](#). Students complete an in-depth, individual, software engineering project in conjunction with a faculty advisor and an industry partner. Letter grade. (Offered as needed.) **3 credits**