Master of Science in Engineering Technology FAQs

Q: I have been accepted to the MSET program, but I need to delay my start date by a semester. Will I need to reapply to the program?

A: With the approval of the degree granting unit providing admission, admission to graduate studies normally remains valid for one year from the term of acceptance. **Admission deferral requests must be made before the start of the term of the original application.** An extension to the one-year time limit may be granted, if requested by the applicant in writing and approved by the degree granting unit.

Q: Do I have to take the GRE for admissions to the MSET program?

A: For the MSET program, GRE test scores are waived for students graduating from Texas A&M with an undergraduate engineering degree.

Q: Do I have to complete a thesis as part of the MSET degree?

A: MSET has a thesis and non-thesis option available. For the non-thesis option, the 6 credit hours of thesis research is replaced with an additional 6 credit hours of graduate course work.

Q: I want to start working towards my Professional Engineering License. Will any of the master’s credit hours count towards licensing?

A: By completing the MSET degree, you will receive credit for 1 year towards your Professional Board of Engineers Licensing Requirements.

Q: Does MSET offer a Fast Track program (4+1 degree plan)?

A: Undergraduates can take graduate courses that count towards BOTH undergrad and graduate degree plans. The ETID Graduate Committee specifies which courses are “stacked” for undergrad and graduate credit (typically 400-level). Students take the grad course and get “credit by exam” for the undergrad course. Fast Track participants need undergraduate program approval to participate (e.g. minimum GPA requirements).
Q: Is there any financial support available through the department?

A: Once a graduate student, you are eligible to compete for graduate assistant teacher (GAT) or graduate assistant researcher (GAR) appointments, which provide the following (subject to student’s skills and availability of funds):

• A monthly stipend of around $2,000 / month,

• Tuition, and

• Health insurance.