

Energy Systems, MSeNeS—Academic Link (Boston)

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Designing and implementing optimal methods to produce and utilize energy is one of the most pressing global issues today. Finding ways to implement these solutions that are sustainable and marketable is key. The energy systems Academic Link (AL) program is meant to provide engineering students who have not had any exposure to thermal sciences with the foundation skills necessary to create and implement energy solutions. Students begin the program by taking two core courses that cover topics across thermal sciences and math along with the general energy systems curriculum.

The preparatory core courses introduce students to the fundamentals that are necessary to be successful in the energy system program. AL courses are integrated with our multidisciplinary energy system curriculum that integrates engineering, business, and policy. Our curriculum is flexibly designed with a set of core courses in engineering and finance complemented by a range of electives across five different academic colleges. Our core and elective courses are designed to help to prepare students to lead the efforts to implement energy systems solutions that have a long-term positive effect on businesses and communities.

Graduate Certificate Options

Students enrolled in a master's degree have the opportunity to also pursue one of the many engineering graduate certificate options in addition to or in combination with the MS degree. Students should consult their faculty advisor regarding these options (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/engineering/graduate-certificate-programs/>).

GORDON INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING LEADERSHIP

Master's Degree in Energy Systems with Graduate Certificate in Engineering Leadership

Students may complete a Master of Science in Energy Systems in addition to earning a Graduate Certificate in Engineering Leadership (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/engineering/multidisciplinary/engineering-leadership-graduate-certificate/>). Students must apply and be admitted to the Gordon Engineering Leadership Program in order to pursue this option. The program requires fulfillment of the 16-semester-hour curriculum required to earn the Graduate Certificate in Engineering Leadership, which includes an industry-based challenge project with multiple mentors. The integrated 44-semester-hour degree and certificate will require 28 hours of advisor-approved energy systems technical [courses](#). For students who concurrently enroll in the Graduate Certificate in Engineering Leadership, 4 semester hours of the certificate coursework may be applied to the Restricted Electives requirements and 8 semester hours may be applied to the Other Electives requirements of this program.

Program Requirements

General Requirements

A minimum of 40 semester hours must be earned toward completion of the degree. A minimum grade-point average of 3.000 is required over all courses applied toward the degree.

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Core Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 20 semester hours from the following:		20
EMGT 6225	Economic Decision Making	
ENSY 5050	Fundamentals of Thermal Science 1	
ENSY 5060	Fundamentals of Thermal Science 2	
ENSY 5000	Fundamentals of Energy System Integration	
ENSY 5700	Renewable Energy Development	
Complete 4 semester hours from the following:		4
EMGT 6305	Financial Management for Engineers	
FINA 6309	Foundations of Accounting and Finance	

Restricted Electives List

Code	Title	Hours
Complete a minimum of 8 semester hours from the following:		8
CHME 5621	Electrochemical Engineering	
ENSY 5100	Hydropower	
ENSY 5200	Energy Storage Systems	
ENSY 5300	Electrochemical Energy Storage	

ENSY 5400	Power Plant Design and Analysis
ENSY 5500	Smart Grid
ENSY 5585	Wind Energy Systems
ENSY 5650	Geologic Energy Systems for Energy Generation and Carbon Sequestration
ENSY 5800	Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Energy Systems
MATL 6270	Principles, Devices, and Materials for Energy Storage and Energy Harvesting
ME 5685	Solar Thermal Engineering
ME 6200	Mathematical Methods for Mechanical Engineers 1

Other Electives List

Code	Title	Hours
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An additional 8 semester hours can either be taken from the list above or from the list below or by approval of the program director:

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CHEM 5614	Electroanalytical Chemistry
CHEM 5651	Materials Chemistry of Renewable Energy
EECE 5670	Sustainable Energy: Materials, Conversion, Storage, and Usage
EECE 5680	Electric Drives
EECE 5682	Power Systems Analysis 1
EECE 5684	Power Electronics
EMGT 5220	Engineering Project Management
ENSY 7440	Energy Systems Engineering Leadership Challenge Project 1
ENSY 7442	Energy Systems Engineering Leadership Challenge Project 2
ENSY 7945	Master's Project
ME 5690	Gas Turbine Combustion
ME 7270	General Thermodynamics
ME 7300	Combustion and Air Pollution
ME 7305	Fundamentals of Combustion
PPUA 5264	Energy Democracy and Climate Justice: Technology, Policy, and Social Change
SBSY 5200	Sustainable Engineering Systems for Buildings

Optional Co-op Experience

Code	Title	Hours
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Complete the following. Students must complete ENCP 6100 to qualify for co-op experience:

ENCP 6100	Introduction to Cooperative Education	1
ENCP 6964	Co-op Work Experience	0
or ENCP 6954	Co-op Work Experience - Half-Time	
or ENCP 6955	Co-op Work Experience Abroad - Half-Time	
or ENCP 6965	Co-op Work Experience Abroad	

Online Course List

All required courses and many electives are offered as online courses.

Program Credit/GPA Requirements

40 total semester hours required (41 with optional co-op)

Minimum 3.000 GPA required