

◀ PhD Cmptr Elec Engr - Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

# CON Elect Engr Electrical Engineering

Under Review | Fall 2025

# Proposal Information

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**Changes**

- Concentration Requirements
- participants
- Proposed Effective Term and Year
- Concentration Justification

## Proposal Information

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## Effective Term and Year

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Proposed

**Proposed Effective Term and Year**

Fall 2025

Existing

**Proposed Effective Term and Year**

Fall 2024

## Justification

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Proposed

**Concentration Justification**

We propose adding ECE 567 to the pool of core courses in the optoelectronics research emphasis. The goal is to broaden the scope of the area in agreement with the research conducted at UNM. Note that this course has been offered as a special topic.

Existing

**Concentration Justification**

We propose to revise the required coursework and offered courses in the EE/Optoelectronics Ph.D. programs. The rationale behind the proposed changes are listed below.

1. Students have insufficient background to take some of the current core courses.
2. There is a need to optimize the teaching capacity in the EE/Optoelectronics area while allowing students to complete the required coursework in the PhD program in 4 semesters.

## Associated Forms

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Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

## Program Information

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**Degree Name**

PhD Cmptr Elec Engr - Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

**Degree Type**

**Program Type**

Doctor of Philosophy

Doctoral

### Program Description

No Parent Selected

### Degree Hours

### Minimum Major Hours

66

### Degree Requirements

- Complete all of the following
  - Earn at least 48 credits from the following types of courses:  
The minimum amount of coursework required for the Doctor of Philosophy degree is 24 credit hours beyond the master's degree or 48 credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree. This requirement is exclusive of dissertation or master's thesis. These are minimum requirements; ordinarily, more than the 48 credit hours are necessary. The program of each student is an individual matter planned by the committee on studies.
  - See Concentration below for specific requirements.

**Grand Total Credits: 48**

## Concentration Information

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### Concentration Title

Electrical Engineering

### Program Level

Graduate

### Concentration Requirements

- Complete all of the following
  - Complete at least 3 courses of the following types:  
Applied Electromagnetics: ECE 534 or 569, 560, 561. Communications: ECE 500, 541, 542. Image Processing: ECE 533, 539, 541. Microelectronics: ECE 520, 523, 576. Optoelectronics: ECE 561, ~~570~~**571, 572****575 and two among 564, 567, 577**. Power and Energy: ECE 582, 584, 588. Signal Processing: ECE 500, 539, 541. Systems and Controls: ECE 500, 541, 546.

### Emphases

- Complete 1 of the following
  - Applied Electromagnetics**
    - Complete all of the following
      - Complete at least 1 of the following:
        - ECE534 - Plasma Physics I (3)
        - ECE569 - Antennas for Wireless Communications Systems (3)
      - Complete the following:
        - ECE560 - Introduction to Microwave Engineering (3)

- ECE561 - Engineering Electrodynamics (3)

#### **Communications**

- Complete the following:
  - ECE500 - Theory of Linear Systems (3)
  - ECE523 - Analog Electronics (3)
  - ECE576 - Modern VLSI Devices (3)

#### **Image Processing**

- Complete the following:
  - ECE533 - Digital Image Processing (3)
  - ECE539 - Digital Signal Processing (3)
  - ECE541 - Probability Theory and Stochastic Processes (3)

#### **Optoelectronics**

- **Complete all of the following**
  - **Complete the following:**
    - ECE561 - Engineering Electrodynamics (3)
  - **Complete the following:**
    - ECE571 - Materials and Devices II (3)
  - **Complete the following:**
    - ECE575 - Introduction to Electro-Optics and Opto-Electronics (3)
  - **Complete at least 2 of the following:**
    - ECE577 - Fundamentals of Semiconductor LEDs and Lasers (3)
    - ECE564 - Guided Wave Optics (3)
    - ECE567 - Fundamentals of Solid-State Detectors (3)

#### **Microelectronics**

- Complete the following:
  - ECE520 - VLSI Design (3)
  - ECE523 - Analog Electronics (3)
  - ECE576 - Modern VLSI Devices (3)

#### **Optoelectronics**

- Complete all of the following
  - Complete the following:
    - ~~ECE561 - Engineering Electrodynamics (3)~~
  - Complete the following:
    - ~~ECE471 - Materials and Devices II (3)~~
  - Complete the following:
    - ~~ECE475 - Introduction to Electro-Optics and Opto-Electronics (3)~~
  - Complete at least 2 of the following:
    - ~~ECE567 - Fundamentals of Solid State Detectors (3)~~
    - ~~ECE577 - Fundamentals of Semiconductor LEDs and Lasers (3)~~
    - ~~ECE564 - Guided Wave Optics (3)~~

#### **Power and Energy**

- Complete the following:
  - ECE583 - Power Electronics I (3)
  - ECE584 - Photovoltaics (3)
  - ECE588 - Smart Grid Technologies (3)

#### **Signal Processing**

- Complete the following:
  - ECE500 - Theory of Linear Systems (3)
  - ECE539 - Digital Signal Processing (3)
  - ECE541 - Probability Theory and Stochastic Processes (3)

**Systems and Controls**

- Complete all of the following
  - Complete the following:
    - ECE500 - Theory of Linear Systems (3)
    - ECE541 - Probability Theory and Stochastic Processes (3)
  - Earn at least 3 credits from the following types of courses:  
Multivariable Control Theory course approved by advisor.

**Grand Total Credits: 9 - 15**

**Concentration Description**

Contact the department for more information about this concentration.