

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Engineering Science Ph.D. Program in the College of Engineering at Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC). The application form, financial statement form for international students, and recommendation letter form are provided in PDF files for your convenience at this website.

The College of Engineering requires the following items for admission. Please send all documents to the College of Engineering at the address given below. It is preferred that all materials are received in the Dean's Office at least two months before the beginning of the semester for which you are applying. International students should submit all application materials **six to nine months** before the beginning of the semester for which they are applying.

1. Application for Admission to Graduate Study.
2. A \$45 application fee in American dollars payable to "SIUC", or you can pay by credit card.
3. Official transcripts, including diplomas (carefully read the transcript guidelines). International students who have not yet earned a Master's degree will be required to present their final Master's transcript and diploma to the Graduate School before they will be eligible to register for classes.
4. Financial Statement (for international students only).
5. A copy of your M.S. thesis abstract.
6. TOEFL score. International students, permanent residents of the United States, and some citizens of the United States who are non-native speakers are required to meet the English requirement. TOEFL scores must be no more than 24 months old from the test date to date of admission. Students must have official TOEFL score report sent from ETS to the Graduate School. The Institution code for SIUC is 1726. Please include a copy of your TOEFL score with you application materials.
7. Three (3) letters of recommendation (must be in sealed and signed envelopes).
8. GRE Scores. If you do not have a copy to send, have ETS send an Official Score to the College of Engineering, Dept. Code 1605.
9. Statement of objectives and research that you wish to undertake (two page maximum).
10. A copy of the page on your passport that lists your name, date of birth, and country of citizenship. Passport copies are required from international students and permanent residents of the United States.

After we receive your complete file, the following actions are taken for admission:

1. The Graduate School reviews the file to make sure all minimum admission requirements are met. If the file is satisfactory, it is forwarded to the College of Engineering Ph.D. Committee.
2. The Ph.D. Committee reviews the file and votes. If the file is satisfactory and the applicant is requesting an assistantship, it is forwarded to the department where the applicant will be studying for a possible assistantship.
3. The file comes back to the Dean's office from the Department with a recommendation regarding funding.
4. If the applicant is an international student, the file is forwarded to the Office of International Programs and Services for verification of sufficient funds for the student's first year of schooling. The amount currently (2008) required is \$24,000.00 (USD). If found satisfactory, the file is forwarded to the Graduate School.

5. The Graduate School issues the I-20 Form and sends it to the student to facilitate securing an F-1 Student Visa from the US Consulate in applicant's country.

Please note: Because of the recent implementation of the new INS SEVIS tracing system for international students, it is taking substantially longer to issue I-20's once the admission has been approved by the department and the Office of International Students and Scholars.

Please keep these revised time limits in mind when submitting your application materials and allow plenty of time for processing.

Thank you again for your interest in the Engineering Science Ph.D. Program at SIUC. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

John Nicklow
Associate Dean and Director of the Ph.D. Program

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