Application to Change or Add an ECE Graduate Program

This information is for **current graduate students** and provides information on what you need to do if you are:

- an ECE MS student who wants to change to or add another ECE graduate program
- an ECE PhD student who does not want to complete their PhD, but still want to get a research master's degree
- not currently an ECE graduate student, but would like to change to or add an ECE program

Actions Required:
- Request to change or add the program in MyGradPortal https://my.grad.wisc.edu/. Instructions can be found here
- Work with your advisor to write a Research Plan. The plan should be at most 1 page single spaced and include the following: a paragraph each detailing the research problem you are studying, the planned timeline to complete your research and any relevant coursework you may need to take to fill any research-related knowledge gaps. Please have your advisor sign your research plan. Once this is complete, please attach the research plan to the MyGradPortal request (above).
- New Faculty Advisor must fill out a Google Form. Please contact your Grad Coordinator who will send your new advisor a link to the form.

All materials must be received by the application deadline.

Deadline for Application: March 1 for fall semester or **October 1** for spring semester. All changes and additions will either be effective immediately or for the next proceeding term. If you need an extension to submit application materials, please reach out to your ECE graduate coordinator.

International students: Contact International Student Services as soon as possible regarding your intent to change to or add a program. ISS may require additional paperwork for this process to be completed.

Dissertators: You cannot have dissertator status and add a program. You will have to remove your dissertator status and regain it later if you wish to add a program.

If you are enrolled in the ECE MS MLSP program or the ECE MS Professional program, you cannot add a second program.

Contact the ECE Graduate Coordinator(s) if you have additional questions;
https://intranet.engineering.wisc.edu/electrical-computer-engineering/current-student-resources/