



# UC CEAS Dual Articulation and Graduate Programs for International Students



### **Graduate Degree Programs**

- Aerospace Engineering
- Additive
   Manufacturing
- Artificial Intelligence
- Biomedical
   Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science

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- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental
   Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Materials Science & Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Robotics & Intelligent Autonomous Systems





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# Dual MSc/MEng Program

Master of Science from Home University Master of Engineering from UC









### UC Master of Engineering (MEng) Program

- Industry focused graduate degree that provides:
   ✓ Advanced technical skills
   ✓ Professional skills (leadership and teamwork)
- Coursework + capstone project/internship
- No thesis required for UC MEng degree
- Completed in less than 1 year at UC

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### **Benefits of the Dual Degree Program**

- Graduate degrees from two universities
  - ✓ Top-ranked Asian University
  - ✓ Top-ranked U.S. University
- Diverse coursework and faculty
  - ✓ Broader selection of topics

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- ✓Experts from two continents (USA + Asia)
- Possibility of degree combinations (ex. Mechanical Engineering + Civil Engineering)



### Dual Degree Program at a Glance (Spring Enrollment at UC)

Semesters	Dual Degree, 1-Semester at UC completion option	Dual Degree, 2-Semester at UC completion option
Fall Semester	Academic Semester at NCHU, transfer 15 credits to UC	Academic Semester at NCHU, transfer 15 credits to UC
Spring Semester (approx. Jan – end Apr)	Academic Semester at UC (12 credits plus 3 credits Capstone project on campus)	Academic Semester at UC, 12 credits, 4 classes
Summer Semester (approx. May – Aug)	Return to Home University	Complete 3 credits Capstone Project as Internship or at UC, 3 credits, written report

MSc (NCHU) and MEng (UC) awarded after completion of coursework and capstone

\* All dates are approximate and will adjust once new academic calendar is confirmed

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Spring Semester (approx. Jan – Apr)	Return to Home University	Complete Capstone Project as Internship or at UC, 3 credits, written report

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# **Admission Requirements**

- Bachelor's degree in corresponding program with 3.0 GPA or equivalent
- TOEFL of 85 or better/IELTS 6.5/Pearson Test of English of 59
- GRE not required if recommended for admissions by home University
- Approved F-1 visa (form I-20) for two semesters



### Spring Semester Admission Application Timeline

Briefing with students on the process	Any time prior to
	deadline
Application Deadline	Late-October
List of recommended candidates to UC *	As apply, by early
	November
Offer letters from UC to students	Within 10 days or sooner

\* NCHU approved students apply online at UC CEAS. NCHU forwards to UC CEAS a list of applicants with their names, date of birth, and email contact information.



# Fall Semester Admission Application Timeline

Briefing with students on the process	Any time prior
Application Deadline	Late April, the earlier the
	better
List of recommended candidates to UC *	As apply, by mid April
Offer letters from UC to students	Within 10 days or sooner

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# **Application Process**

### Send a list of eligible students and transcripts to CEAS for review of credentials

#### University Online Application – <u>https://grad.catalyst.uc.edu/apply/</u>

- → Students create a new account by using the link above and submit transcripts, TOEFL scores, statement of purpose and provide names and contact information of two references.
- → If intending to study in Spring students must apply for Fall, upon completion of application send an email to: <u>engrgrad@uc.edu</u> stating that you have applied to the Dual Degree program and we will change your admission date to Spring.
- $\rightarrow$  There is an USD\$80.00 application fee. Fees are paid by credit card.

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## **Application Process**

#### Step 2: > Review Process

→ Upon completion of the above application process your file will be reviewed and you can check your status online at: <u>https://grad.uc.edu/admissions.html</u>

# Step 3: > Application Approval

→ Approved applications will be confirmed and an email will be sent from our International Office (<u>international.students@uc.edu</u>) on what is required to prepare your I-20.





# **Application Process**

#### Step 4:

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#### International Office and I-20 Issuance

→Additional information about I-20's can be found on our International Students website <u>http://www.uc.edu/international/services/students/p</u> <u>repare/i-20\_faq.html</u>

→We recommend that you have your I-20 / DS-2019 mailed by <u>express mail</u>. Regular mail overseas may take as long as 4- 6 weeks



# **Program Costs**

- Ist semester at UC:
  - ✓ \$15,131 tuition and fees (\$5,096 guaranteed scholarship available)
  - ✓ Approximately \$5,000 \$6,000 room and board
- Ind semester at UC:
  - ✓ Some students elect to stay & complete an internship/capstone project in the 2nd semester.
     Costs same as the 1st semester, scholarship available
  - ✓ \$15,131 tuition and fees (\$10,582 scholarship available)\*
    \*2020-2021 tuition and fees, not including of

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# Capstone Project (3-6 credit)

- <u>Pathway A</u>: Completed as part of 15 credits at UC lab in the 1st semester
- <u>Pathway B</u>: Completed as an internship in industry (via Curriculum Practical Training, CPT) during the 2nd semester for select project
  - ✓ Must find internship by the end of the 1st semester to qualify for CPT
- Pathway C: Completed at NCHU
  - ✓ An outline/abstract required
  - ✓ All require written report submitted to UC upon completion



# Pathway B: Internship (CPT)

- Curriculum Practical Training (CPT)
- Working for company or research lab (paid)
- Students must register for a minimum of 12 credit hours during the second semester at UC to satisfy F-1 visa requirements.
- Students responsible for finding internship
   ✓ Help available through UC Career Center / job fairs
   ✓ Many students use connections through LinkedIn
  - ✓ Search online job postings

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# CPT / OPT

- Interested & qualified students can apply for CPT (curriculum practical training) for Capstone project during 2nd semester
- Interested & qualified students on valid F-1 visa can apply for OPT (optional practical training) upon completion of 2 full-time semesters at UC
- Apply for 12 months initial OPT within 90 days before and 60 days after degree completion

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# **UC Graduation**

- Students completing Capstone in Fall semester apply for Fall Graduation:
  - ✓ Deadline to apply for Fall Graduation is September. Actual graduation date is in December.
- Students completing Capstone in Spring semester apply for Spring Graduation:

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✓ Deadline to apply for Spring Graduation is January. Actual graduation date is in May.



# **UC Graduation Cont.**

- Students completing Capstone in Summer apply for Summer graduation:
  - Deadline to apply for Summer graduation is May. Actual graduation date is August.
- Online graduation application:
  - ✓ Graduation website <u>http://grad.uc.edu/student-</u> <u>life/graduation.html</u>
  - ✓ Graduation application fee is \$50.00 (nonrefundable)



# **UC Housing**

 On campus options: <u>http://www.uc.edu/uchousing/residence\_hall</u> <u>s.html</u>

 Off campus options: <u>http://www.uc.edu/uchousing/graduate\_hous</u> <u>ing.html</u>





## F-1 and I-20

- The I-20 is the "Certificate of Eligibility," meaning a student is "eligible" to apply for an F-1 student visa
- After receiving an I-20 from UC, students make an appointment to apply for the F-1 visa at the local U.S. embassy or consulate.
- Students must present both the F-1 visa and the I-20 to a U.S. Immigration inspector upon arrival at the port-of-entry.



### **Types of Research Degrees**

#### Masters of Science (MS)

- Research based
- Thesis required
- Completion in 3-4 semesters

### PhD (direct route or post-MS)

- Research based
- Dissertation required
- Completion 6–10 semesters





### **Research Pathways**

#### Environment

Water/Air Quality, Fuel Efficiency, Transportation, Sustainable Engineering and Energy

#### Information Science

Modeling and Simulation, Bioinformatics, Cybersecurity, Data Mining

#### Manufacturing

Advanced Manufacturing, Materials, CAE, Robotics, Intelligent Systems

#### Sensing

Nanotechnology, Microfluidics, Structural Integrity and Dynamics, Smart Structures and Systems

#### Health

Tissue Engineering, Chemical Separations, MEMS diagnostics, Medical Devices





### **UC Master of Science Program**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> year

- Finish most required coursework (20 credit hours of "real" courses)
- Formulate thesis topic & complete preliminary studies/literature review/etc.
- Select thesis committee and defend proposal
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year

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- ✓ Finish coursework in the Fall
- ✓ Work in earnest on your research
- Defend your thesis



### UC PhD Degree Program

1<sup>st</sup> year

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- ✓ Finish coursework (12 credit hours past MS)
- ✓ Formulate dissertation topic & complete preliminary studies/literature review/etc.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year and following
  - ✓ Take qualifying exam in the Fall Semester
  - ✓ Form committee and defend proposal
  - ✓ Work in earnest on your dissertation



### **Graduate Programs Reasonable Progress**

### MEng:

Semi-annual Performance Review, 15 months

#### MS:

Annual Performance Review, 24 months

### PhD Degree:

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Annual Performance Review, 48 months



### **Research Infrastructure**

CEAS has many outstanding research centers, institutes and labs. For a complete listing visit:

http://www.ceas.uc.edu/research/

<u>research\_labs\_andcenters.html</u>





