MAJOR IN ENGINEERING SCIENCE

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Engineering Science is an interdisciplinary major that allows students to acquire a strong base in mathematics, the physical sciences, and engineering fundamentals while pursuing a broad background in the liberal arts or other areas of interest in preparation for specialized careers or graduate studies. The major provides comprehensive undergraduate engineering education in selected fields which are not served by traditional engineering programs available at CSU. Three concentrations are available—Engineering Physics, Space Engineering, Teacher Education, and two dual-degree programs combining Engineering Science and programs within the College of Liberal Arts. Regardless of the concentration, graduates are well prepared for a professional career.

Program Educational Objectives
The Engineering Science program seeks to develop graduates who will be able to do the following within the first few years after graduation:

1. An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics
2. An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors
3. An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences
4. An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts
5. An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives
6. An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions
7. An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies

Student Learning Outcomes
At graduation, CSU Engineering Science undergraduates are expected to have:

• An ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering
• An ability to design and conduct experiments, as well as to analyze and interpret data
• An ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability
• An ability to function on multidisciplinary teams
• An ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems
• An ability to understand professional and ethical responsibilities
• An ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering, as well as the tools necessary for engineering practice, and communicate effectively
• The broad education necessary to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global, economic, environmental, and societal context
• A recognition of the need for, and an ability to engage in life-long learning
• Knowledge of contemporary issues
• An ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice

The Engineering Science major and each of its concentrations is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET (http://abet.org).

Potential Occupations
Engineering Science graduates are well rounded in mathematics, sciences, humanities, and social and behavioral sciences. They are well prepared to enter a career in engineering, or to proceed to graduate school in one of the traditional engineering disciplines. Graduates of the Liberal Arts/Engineering Science dual major often move on to professional programs in medicine, law, veterinary medicine, or business. Moreover, these graduates are suited for a broad range of occupations in addition to engineering. Participation in internships or volunteer activities is highly recommended to enhance practical training and development. Graduates who continue on with advanced studies can attain more responsible positions with the possibility of rising to top professional levels. Some examples include: space engineer, solid-state electronics engineer, and aerospace engineer.

Concentrations
- Engineering Physics Concentration
- Space Engineering Concentration
- Teacher Education Concentration

Dual Degree Programs
See the College of Liberal Arts for information on dual degree opportunities.