



Engineering and Computer Science Majors

Mechanical Engineering

About

Mechanical engineering applies the principles of engineering, physics, and materials science for the design, analysis, manufacturing and maintenance of mechanical systems. Involving the design, production, and operation of machinery, the field requires an understanding of core concepts including mechanics, kinematics, thermodynamics, materials science, structural analysis and electricity. Mechanical engineers use these core principles with tools like computer-aided design (CAD) software to design and analyze manufacturing plants, industrial equipment and machinery, cars, aircraft, robotics, weapons, medical devices, and much more.

UCF's program prepares students to apply principles of engineering, basic science and mathematics (including multivariate calculus and differential equations) to model, analyze, design and realize physical systems, components or processes; and to work professionally in either thermal or mechanical systems while requiring topics in each area.

Coursework Includes

- Solid Mechanics
- Structure and Properties of Materials
- Thermal Dynamics and Heat Transfer
- Vibrations and Controls
- Fluid Dynamics
- Modeling Methods

See program requirements in the UCF undergraduate catalog at catalog.ucf.edu

Where Mechanical Engineering Graduates Work

- Siemens
- General Motors
- NASA
- Walt Disney World
- The Boeing Company
- Lockheed Martin

Typical Starting Salary / Possible Job Titles

\$61,000. Design Engineer; Project Engineer; Project Manager; Site Inspector; Site Engineer; Threshold Inspector; Estimator; Scheduler.

Related Student Organizations at UCF

American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Society of Automotive Engineers
American Society Heating, Refrigeration and Air
Conditioning Engineers

Related Minors

Bioengineering; Business; Computer
Science; Engineering Leadership;
Mathematics; Materials Science
and Engineering; Physics; Robotics

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University of Central Florida

Located in Orlando, Florida, UCF is one of the nation's largest universities with more than 66,000 students from all 50 states and 152 countries. UCF's 13 colleges offer 212 degree programs. Students find community and camaraderie in more than 600 registered student organizations. To learn more, visit www.ucf.edu/admissions.

College of Engineering and Computer Science

With 10,000+ students, the college is among the nation's top producers of engineers and computer scientists. Students receive rigorous instruction, enhanced with real-world hands-on experiences, to graduate with solid technical skills in 11 majors offered: aerospace engineering; civil engineering; computer engineering; computer science; construction engineering; electrical engineering; environmental engineering; industrial engineering; information technology; mechanical engineering; and optics and photonics.

During their academic career, students benefit from unique and innovative leadership and diversity-based support programs, such as the UCF Engineering Leadership & Innovation Institute (eli²) (eli2.cecs.ucf.edu), and renowned STEM retention programs described in detail at stem.ucf.edu/stem-programs-at-ucf.

UCF Rankings

- Nation's #1 workforce supplier to the aerospace and defense industry (*Aviation Week*, 2015, 2016)
- Ranks 11th among U.S. public universities for number of National Merit Scholars (289).
- *Kiplinger*, *Forbes* and *The Princeton Review* rank a UCF education among the nation's best values.
- Ranks #1 in nation, #13 in world among 13,000 regional teams, 2017 Association of Computing Machinery's International Collegiate Programming Competition.
- Home to three-time national champions: UCF Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition Team – 2014, 2015, 2016.
- U.S. Southeast Programming Team Champions – 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.
- Ranks #5 out of 225 U.S. universities for number of patents granted, and #22 for success in research that leads to new technologies, products and companies (*2017 Milken Institute report*).
- Top choice of high school seniors in Florida and in the 12 states of the U.S. Southeast region (*2016 Cappex College Considerations Report*)



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