DEPARTMENT OF
CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL
ENGINEERING

Graduate Program Profiles for:
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Master of Science in Environmental Engineering
Master of Science in Environmental Engineering Science
Master of Science in Environmental Engineering with a Specialization in Public Administration
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PROGRAMS IN CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CIE) at Syracuse University (SU) was established by the Board of Trustees in 1876. Graduate degrees have been awarded since the 1920's. Civil and Environmental Engineering is one of four departments within the L.C. Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science (LCS). The department has a long tradition of excellence in graduate teaching and research. Graduate students work closely with their faculty advisors on a variety of research projects, and receive individualized attention from the faculty. The CIE faculty has a wide range of research and teaching interests. The graduate programs are divided into four disciplines: Environmental Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Construction Engineering, and Structural Engineering.

Enrollment at Syracuse University is approximately 6,000 graduate students and 12,000 undergraduate students. Currently, about 1,700 Masters and 150 Doctoral degrees are awarded by the University each year. The department awards 20-25 M.S. and 1-3 Ph.D. degrees per year.

FACILITIES

The Civil and Environmental Engineering Department office is located in 151 Link Hall on the main campus of Syracuse University. Link Hall is where all major computer and research laboratory facilities of the CIE Department are housed.

Laboratory facilities: The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering maintains several laboratories for graduate instruction and research. They include an environmental unit operations laboratory, an environmental chemistry and a microbiology laboratory, a geosynthetics laboratory, a geofoam research laboratory, a soil mechanics laboratory, an image analysis laboratory, and a structures/materials laboratory. These facilities are open to all graduate students enrolled in our programs. The environmental engineering laboratories are part of the Center for Environmental Systems and Engineering (CESE) at Syracuse University. The Center (www.ecs.syr.edu/centers/cese) is the focal point for research and teaching of the scientific and engineering aspects of environmentally related subjects. These laboratories are equipped with state-of-the-art experimental, analytical and field equipment. The geotechnical engineering laboratories include a soil-mechanics laboratory, a geosynthetics laboratory, a geofoam laboratory (geofoam.syr.edu) and a computer-based image analysis laboratory. These laboratories have extensive in-situ and in-house equipment for testing of both natural and man-made geomaterials. The structures/materials laboratory is equipped with three universal testing machines including a 1.5MN capacity INSTRON 5595-300HVL machine with a computer data acquisition system, and a 3-D reaction frame with an assortment of hydraulic rams and actuators for testing of large-scale structural systems and components.

Computer facilities: Graduate students enrolled in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering has access to a wide variety of computer facilities. The L.C. Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science maintain several microcomputer laboratories in Link Hall. These laboratories are equipped with advanced PCs that support a variety of general purpose utility programs for word processing, computer graphics, spreadsheet calculations and data analyses as well as a number of discipline-specific software packages for engineering and scientific computations. Additional microcomputer and workstation clusters are located in Schine, Goldstein, Archbold, Brockway, Kimmel Halls, and the Center for Science and Technology. These computer clusters are open to all students of Syracuse University.

The university maintains and operates several time-sharing UNIX-based computers for advanced scientific and engineering computations. All these computers are connected to a campus-wide network and can be accessed from any public terminal. The computers support a variety of word processing, graphics and mathematics software as well as a number of programming languages. In addition, all computers have internet and electronic mail access that allow users to communicate both inside and outside of the Syracuse University campus. The university maintains the AirOrangeX wireless network, which provides wireless internet access campus-wide to students, faculty and staff.
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Master of Science Programs

All candidates for the Master of Science (M.S.) programs must have a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Civil or Environmental Engineering, or a closely-related field from an accredited institution. Candidates with undergraduate degrees in other fields will have their backgrounds evaluated to determine whether additional undergraduate courses are required in their program of study, as a condition for admission to the appropriate M.S. program. These additional courses will not carry credit toward the M.S. degree.

Programs are planned by the students in consultation with their advisors. A series of fundamental courses specified by area (Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural or Construction) must be satisfactorily completed by each candidate (see Appendix A). At least half of the coursework must be at or above the 600-level. Students who have taken the lower level of a double-numbered course (e.g., a course offered at both the 400 and 600 levels) may not take the higher level of the same course for credit. M.S. candidates may transfer a maximum of six graduate credits from other institutions. Most students complete their degrees in one and a half to two years. All students are expected to complete their program of study within five calendar years. A candidate must maintain a B or better average (3.0 grade point average) in all graduate coursework. Thesis and non-thesis options are available. Students receiving financial aid and/or anticipating further graduate study at the doctoral level are strongly advised to pursue the thesis option. We welcome students who wish to pursue their master’s degrees through part-time study while working full-time.

Master of Science in Civil Engineering

(1) Requirements with Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the student's chosen area of specialization. In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor, as outlined in the attached program study. All M.S. candidates are expected to participate in faculty/student seminar series each year.

(2) Requirements without Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the student's chosen area of specialization. In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor. All M.S. candidates are expected to participate in the faculty/student seminar series each year. To complete the degree requirement, the student must take CIE 996-Master's Project for 3 credits on a civil engineering topic approved by the advisor and at least one additional reader or take CIE 995-Master's Exit Paper for 0 credits and an additional course. The exit paper must address issues related to their specialty approved by the advisor and have a minimum length of 2000 words.

Master of Science in Environmental Engineering

The M.S. in environmental engineering is intended for students with undergraduate engineering degrees.

(1) Requirements with Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the fundamental environmental engineering areas, which includes CIE 671, CIE 672 and CIE 642. If the student has already taken one or more of these courses at the undergraduate level, he/she will be expected to take corresponding higher level courses in these fundamental engineering areas. In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor. All M.S. candidates are expected to participate in faculty/student seminar series each year. Furthermore, six credits of CIE 997-Master’s Thesis must be taken culminating in the defense of the thesis administered by the student’s thesis committee.

(2) Requirements without Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the fundamental environmental engineering areas, which includes CIE 671, CIE 672 and CIE 642. If the student has already taken one or more of these courses at the undergraduate level, he/she will be expected to take higher level courses in these fundamental engineering areas. In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor. All M.S. candidates are expected to participate in faculty/student seminar series each year. Furthermore, the student is required to take one of the following courses: CIE 600-Environmental Assessment, or CIE 996-Master's Project, for 3 credits. If the student chooses to take CIE 996, the project must address a topic in environmental engineering or environmental science and be approved by the advisor and at least one additional reader.
Master of Science in Environmental Engineering Science

The M.S. in environmental engineering science is intended for students with other technical/scientific undergraduate degrees.

(1) Requirements with Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses offered by the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Appendix A). In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor. All M.S. candidates are expected to participate in faculty/student seminar series each year. Furthermore, six credits of CIE 997-Master’s Thesis must be taken culminating in the defense of the thesis administered by the student’s thesis committee.

(2) Requirements without Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses offered by the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Appendix A). In addition, the student must complete a cohesive program of elective coursework approved by the student's advisor. Furthermore, the student is required to take one of the following courses: CIE 600-Environmental Assessment, or CIE 996-Master's Project, for 3 credits. If the student chooses to take CIE 996, the project must address a topic in environmental engineering or environmental science and be approved by the advisor and at least one additional reader.

Master of Science in Environmental Engineering with a Specialization in Public Administration

(1) Requirements with Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the fundamental environmental engineering areas, which includes CIE 671, CIE 672 and CIE 642. If the student has already taken one or more of these courses at the undergraduate level, he/she will be expected to take corresponding higher level courses in these fundamental engineering areas. In addition, the student must complete the requirement for the Certificate of Advance Study in Public Management and Policy* (12 credits) in public administration. Furthermore, six credits of CIE 997-Master’s Thesis must be taken culminating in the defense of the thesis administered by the student’s thesis committee.

(2) Requirements without Thesis - 30 credit hours. The candidate must complete a set of core courses in the fundamental environmental engineering areas, which includes CIE 671, CIE 672 and CIE 642. If the student has already taken one or more of these courses at the undergraduate level, he/she will be expected to take higher level courses in these fundamental engineering areas. In addition, the student must complete the requirement for the Certificate of Advance Study in Public Administration* (12 credits) in public administration. Furthermore, the student is required to take one of the following courses: CIE 600-Environmental Assessment, or CIE 996-Master's Project, for 3 credits. If the student chooses to take CIE 996, the project must address a topic in environmental engineering or environmental science and be approved by the advisor and at least one additional reader.

*Students must apply and be admitted to the certificate program. Students may apply after completing one semester in environmental engineering. For additional information see http://www.maxwell.syr.edu/pa_degree_programs.aspx?id=649

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

The Civil and Environmental Engineering Department offers the Ph.D. degree to students interested in research and teaching. The primary focus is on the development of skills to pursue original research in careers in academia, government, or research institutions. Students usually complete the degree within three to five years.

Admission requirements:
(1) B.S. in civil engineering or other acceptable field from an accredited institution.
(2) M.S. degree from an accredited institution.
(3) B+ average in M.S. program coursework.
(4) Satisfactory scores on all required graduate entrance examinations.
(5) Departmental approval.
(6) Demonstrated potential for excellent research work.

Advising:
The candidate, with advice from the department chair and/or the program director, selects a dissertation advisor, whose consent must be obtained. The candidate and the advisor together, with consent from the department chair, select the members of the examination and dissertation committees. The candidate, in consultation with the advisor and dissertation committee, selects a program of coursework appropriate to the research and scholarly interests of the student.
Course requirements:
(1) Ph.D. students are required to take a minimum of 48 credit hours of coursework beyond the B.S. level, or at least 18 credit hours of coursework beyond the M.S. level.
(2) For students with an M.S. degree, at least two-thirds of the Ph.D. coursework must be at or above the 600 level, and no more than one-third of the coursework can be independent study (CIE 690).
(3) Ph.D. students are required to maintain an average GPA of B+ (3.333) in all Ph.D. coursework, and they are required to participate in the faculty/student seminar program (CIE 660).

Examinations:
1. Qualifying Examination: The qualifying examination is to be conducted within the first year of enrollment in the Ph.D. program. The examination is composed of two parts: a written exam followed by an oral examination covering materials from at least 3 graduate level classes that the student has taken at Syracuse University, as well as relevant materials from undergraduate coursework. The purpose of this examination is to assess the student’s background knowledge in his/her primary subject area(s) and his/her preparedness for Ph.D. level research. The exam committee shall consist of at least 3 faculty members. The majority of the committee membership shall be faculty members from the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Syracuse University. The result of this examination is a decision by the exam committee as to whether or not the student should continue in the Ph.D. program. For the candidate to pass this examination, a majority of the committee must vote favorably. If the student does not pass this examination, he/she can request to retake the examination one more time in the following semester. In the event that the student fails the examination for the second time, he/she will be asked to terminate his/her Ph.D. study.

2. Candidacy Examination: This examination is conducted in the semester after completion of the student’s Ph.D. coursework, but no later than the fifth semester after admission into the Ph.D. program. Prior to this examination, the student shall prepare a detailed research proposal that includes but is not limited to a review of relevant literature leading to a statement of objectives (including major questions or hypotheses to be addressed in the dissertation), a description of methods and approaches to be used, and a brief description of the significance of the proposed work. The proposal will often include preliminary results from the student’s work to date.

The candidacy examination is an oral exam and is presided over by a dissertation committee comprised of at least five members. The majority of the committee membership shall be faculty members from the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Syracuse University. This committee will follow the student’s work through his/her Ph.D. Dissertation Defense. Students are required to deliver their research proposals to all dissertation committee members and notify the Department Graduate Secretary of the examination time and place at least two weeks prior to the exam. Any committee member who receives the dissertation proposal less than 14 calendar days prior to the defense may ask the Department Chair for a postponement of the defense.

The norm for the duration of the examination, which is open to all Department faculty members, is two hours. The oral examination is initiated by a 30-40 minute summary of the dissertation research proposal and progress to date by the student. Following the presentation, the dissertation committee and Department faculty ask the student questions concerning the research proposal. Following the examination, the dissertation committee confers to determine if the student is a suitable Ph.D. candidate based on his/her performance on the candidacy examination, as well as to determine if the student should be required to take additional coursework beyond the minimum required for the degree. If the student successfully completes the candidacy examination by receiving an affirmative vote from the majority of the committee, the advisor notifies the student and the Graduate School and the student is considered a “Ph.D. candidate.” If the student does not successfully complete the candidacy examination, the committee determines whether the student will be permitted to retake the examination after a minimum period of six months or whether the student’s Ph.D. program should be terminated.

3. Dissertation Defense: The final phase of the Ph.D. program is the dissertation defense. The doctoral dissertation is a summary of all phases of the student’s research endeavor. The final stage in the preparation of this dissertation is its distribution to all members of the dissertation committee. The student should not distribute the final draft of the dissertation until the advisor is satisfied with it. Readers should be presented with a polished draft that has been proofread, paginated, and contains professional quality tables and figures with captions. All members of the dissertation committee must be given at least two weeks to review the dissertation before the defense. Any committee member who receives the thesis less than 14 calendar days prior to the defense may ask the Exam Committee Chair for a postponement of the defense.

When the Ph.D. candidate has completed the dissertation that has been approved by his/her advisor, a copy is to be provided to each of the dissertation committee member and a defense date is scheduled. The dissertation defense is an open examination and all members of the University community are invited. This is accomplished by announcements to students and faculty in the Department at least one week in advance of the defense, as well as a notice in The Syracuse Record.
The dissertation defense is to be conducted in accordance with University Policies and Procedures for Dissertation and Oral Examination. The norm for the duration of the dissertation defense is two hours. The dissertation defense is usually initiated with a 30-40 minute summary of the research conducted. This is followed by open questioning from the audience. When this is completed, the candidate is questioned by the dissertation committee members. For the candidate to pass the dissertation defense, a majority vote on the quality and originality of the research, the quality of the dissertation, and the performance of the candidate at the examination is required.

Recent Doctoral Dissertations:

Jason A. Dittman, “Mercury Dynamics in Streams, Lakes, and Fish in the Northeastern, United States”, 2010
Jianwei Huang, “Durability Design of GFRP Bar Reinforced Concrete Members and a New Approach”, 2010
Youngil Cho, “The Responses of Soil, Soil Solution, and Stream Water of a Northern Hardwood Forest to Experimental Addition of wollastonite”, 2010
Ankit Balaria, “Effects of Calcium Addition on Structure and Bioavailability of Soil Organic Matter”, 2011
Svetoslava Todorova, “Mercury Accumulation and Biological Transfer in Onondaga Lake: Ecosystem Response to Decreases in Mercury Load and Water Quality Improvements”, 2012

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financial aid awards in the form of tuition scholarships, teaching assistantships, research assistantships, department and university fellowships are available on a competitive basis for qualified students. Most assistantships and fellowships provide full tuition for 24 credits over a calendar year. They also carry a stipend and require an average of 20 hours a week of instruction and/or research responsibilities during the academic year. Some summer support may be available. M.S. students receiving financial aid awards are expected to take the thesis option in their program of study.

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Teaching Interests:
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Research Interests:
Structural Rehabilitation of Civil Infrastructure, Bridge Retrofit with CFRP Composites, Experimental Investigation of Structural Concrete and Steel Systems, Composite and Hybrid Systems, FRP reinforced concrete structural systems, low-cost maintenance of bridges, preventive maintenance of highway bridges, and Investigation of Structural Failures

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Teaching Interests:
Designing with Geosynthetics, Seepage and Earth Dams, Ground Improvement, Soil Dynamics and Advanced Soil Mechanics

Research Interests:
Dredged Sediment Dewatering and Containment, Green Polymers and Textiles, Application of Natural Fibers in Engineering, Soil Erosion, Women in Science and Engineering (WISE)

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Sample Publications:
Call, D. F.; Merrill, M. D.; Logan, B. E., High surface area stainless steel brushes as cathodes in microbial electrolysis cells. Environmental Science and Technology 2009, 43(6), 2179-2183.

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Teaching Interests:
Environmental Engineering, Sustainable Engineering, Fluid Mechanics

Research Interests:
Environmental Flows of Chemicals, Air Quality, Sustainable Urban Development

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Research Interests:
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Structural Analysis and Design, Computer Aided Engineering, Structural Stability, Structural Dynamics, Earthquake Engineering, Green Technology and Sustainability

Research Interests:
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Research Interests:
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Teaching Interests:
Introduction to Environmental Engineering, Bioremediation, Principles of Fluid Mechanics

Research Interests:
Groundwater and Soil Remedial Technology, Sustainability of Monitored Natural Attenuation, Contaminant Fate and Transport, Biodegradation

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Research Interests:
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**Research Interests:**  
Air Quality Monitoring and Control, Indoor Air Quality, Air Pollution Exposure Modeling, Source Apportionment.

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**Teaching Interests:**  
Finite Element Analysis, Plate and Shell Structures.  
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Composite Materials, Fiber Reinforcement Concrete, Curved Bridge Design, Finite Element Analysis.

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Environmental Engineering, Environmental Microbiology, Bioremediation, Biotechnology.  
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**Research Interests:**  

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**Research Interests:**  
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GRADUATE COURSE CATALOG

If you are not on campus, you can download the Graduate Course Catalog from http://coursecatalog.syr.edu/pdfs/2013/graduate.pdf

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APPENDIX A

M.S. Program of Study Forms
PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

M.S. in Environmental Engineering (MSEE)

All MSEE students are required to take the courses listed in this Program of Study Form.

M.S. without Thesis

1. All the courses in Group I (9 credit hours)
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6. CIE 996–Master’s Project, or CIE 600–Environmental Assessment (3 credit hours)

Total number of credit hours = 30

M.S. with Thesis

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6. CIE 997–Master’s Thesis (6 credit hours)

Total number of credit hours = 30
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### M.S. in Environmental Engineering (MSEE)

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M.S. in Environmental Engineering Science (MSEES)

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**M.S. without Thesis**

1. Both courses in Group I (6 credit hours)
2. Two courses from Group II (6 credit hours)
3. Two courses from Group III (6 credit hours)
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Total number of credit hours = 30

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PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

M.S. in Civil Engineering
(with an emphasis in Construction Engineering and Management)

All MSCE students interested in Construction Engineering and Management (CEM) are required to take the courses listed in this Program of Study Form.

**M.S. without Thesis**

1. All courses in Group I (9 credit hours)
2. One course from Group II (3 credit hours)
3. One course from Group III (3 credit hours)
4. One course from Group IV (3 credit hours)
5. Three additional courses from Groups II through V upon advisor’s approval, one of which can be CIE 690-Independent Study (9 credit hours)
6. CIE 996–Master’s Project (3 credit hours) or CIE 995–Master's Exit Paper (0 credits) and an additional course from Groups II through V (3 credit hours). The Master’s Project must be a construction engineering topic approved by the CEM advisor and at least one additional reader. The Master’s Exit Paper must address issues related to construction engineering and management. The Exit Paper can be an original document or it can be a critical review of a journal article, which has been published. The Paper should be a minimum length requirement of 2000 words and has to be approved by the CEM advisor.

Total number of credit hours = 30

**M.S. with Thesis**

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3. One course from Group III (3 credit hours)
4. One course from Group IV (3 credit hours)
5. Two additional courses from Groups II through V upon CEM advisor’s approval, one of which can be CIE 690-Independent study (6 credit hours)
6. CIE 997–Master’s Thesis (6 credit hours)

Total number of credit hours = 30
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**M.S. in Civil Engineering**  
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ECS 636 – Infrastructure Systems Engineering and Asset Management **  
ECS 526 – Statistics for Engineers | All are required in this group                      |
| **Group II** Advanced Fundamentals | CIE 677 – Design of Structural Systems  
CIE 637 – Advanced Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering I  
CIE 678 – Rehabilitation of Civil Infrastructure*  
ECS 600 – Introduction to Sustainable Engineering  
MAE 548 – Engineering Economics and Technology Valuation**  
MFE 629 – Modeling and Optimization  
MFE 634 – Productivity and Quality Control | Select at least one course from this group            |
| **Group III** Design | CIE 535 – Structural Steel Design  
CIE 536 – Prestressed Concrete Design  
CIE 545 – Pavement Design  
CIE 549 – Geofoam Properties and Application  
CIE 558 – Solid Wastes-Collection and Disposal  
CIE 570 – Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Design*  
CIE 638 – Advanced Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering II  
CIE 641 – Seepage and Earth Dam Design  
CIE 643 – Transportation Engineering*  
CIE 739 – Soil Stabilization | Select at least one course from this group            |
| **Group IV** Management and Advanced Tools | ECS 650 – Managing Sustainability  
GEO 683 – Geographic Information Systems  
LPP 758 – Environmental Law and Public Policy  
MBC 616 – Operations Management (1.5 cr) and MBC 617 – Supply Chain Management (1.5 cr)  
PPA 709 – Public Organizations and Management*  
PPA 734 – Public Budgeting, or PPA 731 - Financial Management in State and Local Governments**  
PPA 895 – Managerial Leadership**  
SCM 656 – Project Management  
SCM 701 – Introduction to Supply Chain Management  
SCM 702 – Principles of Management | Select at least one course from this group            |
| **Group V** Some Suggested Elective Courses | Engineering and Computer Science courses not listed above  
Architecture  
Construction Management (ESF)  
Public Administration and Management courses not listed above | CEM Advisor’s approval is required before a student can take courses from this group |

**These courses are required to complete the Certificate of Public Infrastructure Management and Leadership.**  
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PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

M.S. in Civil Engineering (MSCE)
(with an emphasis in Geotechnical Engineering)

All MSCE students interested in Geotechnical Engineering are required to take the courses listed in this Program of Study Form.

**M.S. without Thesis**

1. All courses in Group I (9 credit hours)
2. One course from Group II (3 credit hours)
3. Two courses from Group III (6 credit hours)
4. One course from Group IV (3 credit hours)
5. Two additional courses from Groups II through V upon advisor’s approval, one of which can be CIE 690-Independent study (6 credit hours)
6. CIE 996–Master’s Project (3 credit hours) or CIE 995–Master's Exit Paper (0 credits) and an additional course from Groups II through V (3 credit hours). The Master’s Project must be a geotechnical engineering topic approved by the GE advisor and at least one additional reader. The Master’s Exit Paper must address issues related to geotechnical engineering. The Exit Paper can be an original document or it can be a critical review of a journal article, which has been published. The Paper should be a minimum length requirement of 2000 words and has to be approved by the GE advisor.

Total number of credit hours = 30

**M.S. with Thesis**

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5. One additional course from Groups II through V or CIE 690–Independent Study, upon advisor’s approval (3 credit hours)
6. CIE 997–Master’s Thesis (6 credit hours)

Total number of credit hours = 30
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**M.S. in Civil Engineering (MSCE)**  
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CIE 638 – Advanced Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering II  
CIE 641 – Seepage and Earth Dam Design | All are required in this group |
| **Group II**  
Advanced Fundamentals | CIE 740 – Soil Dynamics  
CIE 737 – Applied Soil Mechanics  
CIE 739 – Soil Stabilization  
CIE 662 – Chemistry of Soils and Natural Surfaces | Select at least one course from this group |
| **Group III**  
Design | CIE 549 – Designing and Geofoam  
CIE 545 – Pavement Design  
CIE 584 – Designing with Geosynthetics  
ERE 596 – Storm Water Management (SUNY ESF) | Select at least two from this group |
| **Group IV**  
Advanced Tools | CIE 633 – Finite Element Analysis  
CIE 687 – Environmental Geostatistics  
GEO 683 – Geographic Information Systems  
ERE 550 – Intro/Geo Info Systems  
Course in probability and statistics and/or regression analysis | Select at least one course from this group |
| **Group V**  
Some Suggested Elective Areas | Construction Management  
Advanced Hydrology  
Law and Public Policy  
Management  
Computer Programming  
Other CIE graduate courses not listed above | Advisor’s approval is required before a student can take courses from this group |
PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

M.S. in Civil Engineering
(with an emphasis in Structural Engineering)

All MSCE students interested in Structural Engineering are required to take the courses listed in this Program of Study Form.

**M.S. without Thesis**

1. All courses in Group I (9 credit hours)
2. One course from Group II (3 credit hours)
3. Two courses from Group III, one of which must be steel design and the other must be concrete design or bridge engineering (6 credit hours)
4. One course from Group IV (3 credit hours)
5. Two additional courses from Groups II through V upon advisor’s approval, one of which can be CIE 690-Independent study (6 credit hours)
6. CIE 996–Master’s Project (3 credit hours) or CIE 995–Master's Exit Paper (0 credits) and an additional course from Groups II through V (3 credit hours). The Master’s Project must be a structural engineering topic approved by the SE advisor and at least one additional reader. The Master’s Exit Paper must address issues related to structural engineering. The Exit Paper can be an original document or it can be a critical review of a journal article, which has been published. The Paper should be a minimum length requirement of 2000 words and has to be approved by the SE advisor.

Total number of credit hours = 30

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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY
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