NUS Innovation & Design Programme
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Bachelor of Engineering (Engineering Science) with Minor in Innovation & Design

Cohort AY2025/2026

Course Requirements	Units
Common Curriculum	
GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data [1]	4
CS1010E Programming Methodology (or other variants)	4
CDE2501 Liveable Cities [2]	4
ES2631 Critique and Communication of Thinking and Design [2]	4
GE: Cultures and Connections [2]	4
GE: Communities and Engagement [2]	4
DTK1234 Design Thinking	4
EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4
EG1311 Design and Make or EG1311BE Design and Make	4
PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
Sub-total for Common Curriculum	**40**
Engineering Core	
MA1511 Engineering Calculus	2
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering	2
MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering	4
EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2
EG3611A Industrial Attachment or CFG2101 NUS Vacation Internship Programme [3] and EG3612 Vacation Industrial Attachment	10
Sub-total for Engineering Core	**20**
Engineering Programme Requirements	
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4
ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4
ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
ESP2110 Design Project	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4
EE2023 Signals and Systems	4
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4
PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4
PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (over 2 consecutive semesters) [4, 5]	4
ESP4901 Research Project (over 2 consecutive semesters) [6]	8
Sub-total for Engineering Programme Requirements	**60**
Unrestricted Electives	
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (over 2 consecutive semesters) [4, 5]	8
Electives for Minor [5]	8
Other unrestricted electives [6]	24
Sub-total for Unrestricted Electives	**40**
Total	**160**

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Notes:

[1] Students may read other approved courses for Data Literacy in lieu of GEA1000.

[2] Students may read equivalent courses in NUS College (NUSC), University Town College Programme (UTCP), and Ridge View Residential Programme (RVRC). CDE2501 fulfils GE: Singapore Studies while ES2631 fulfils GE: Critique and Expression.

[3] May be replaced by CDE2605 Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme or CDE2605R Undergraduate Research Experience (UREx).

[4] The 12 units for CDE3301 are counted towards 4 units for ESP3903 Major Design Project 2 while 8 units are counted as unrestricted elective.

[5] Students should clear at least one elective course prior to CDE3301.

[6] Students may take CDE4301 Innovation & Design Capstone or CDE4301A Ideas to Start-up in lieu of ESP4901 and 4 units of unrestricted electives.

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Recommended semester schedule – JC-intake students or equivalent

(for students who opt for vacation internships)

Semester 1	Units	Semester 2	Units
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4	ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
CS1010E Programming Methodology	4	GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data	4
DTK1234 Design Thinking	4	EG1311 Design and Make or EG1311BE Design and Make	4
MA1511 Engineering Calculus	2	MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering	4
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering	2	PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
GE	4	Elective 1 for Minor	4
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**24**

Summer vacation between Semesters 2 and 3	Units
CFG2101 NUS Vacation Internship Programme	4
Sub-total	**4**

Semester 3	Units	Semester 4	Units
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4	EE2023 Signals and Systems	4
CDE2501 Liveable Cities	4	ESP2110 Design Project	4
EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4	PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
GE	4	ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
Elective 2 for Minor	4	CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**22**

Summer vacation between Semesters 4 and 5	Units
EG3612 Vacation Internship Attachment	6
Sub-total	**6**

Semester 5	Units	Semester 6 – can be used for SEP	Units
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6	ES2631 Critique and Communication of Thinking and Design	4
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4	PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4
EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4	PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
UE	4	EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2
UE	4	UE	4
Sub-total	**22**	**Sub-total**	**18**

Semester 7	Units	Semester 8	Units
ESP4901 Research Project	4	ESP4901 Research Project	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4	UE	4
UE	4	UE	4
Sub-total	**12**	**Sub-total**	**12**

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(for students who opt for industrial attachment)

Semester 1	Units	Semester 2	Units
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4	ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
CS1010E Programming Methodology	4	GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data	4
DTK1234 Design Thinking	4	EG1311 Design and Make or EG1311BE Design and Make	4
MA1511 Engineering Calculus	2	MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering	4
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering	2	PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
GE	4	Elective 1 for Minor	4
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**24**

Semester 3	Units	Semester 4	Units
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4	EE2023 Signals and Systems	4
CDE2501 Liveable Cities	4	ESP2110 Design Project	4
EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4	PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
GE	4	ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
Elective 2 for Minor	4	CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**22**

Semester 5	Units	Semester 6	Units
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6	EG3611A Industrial Attachment	10
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4		
ES2631 Critique and Communication of Thinking and Design	4		
PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4		
EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4		
EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2		
Sub-total	**24**	**Sub-total**	**10**

Semester 7	Units	Semester 8	Units
ESP4901 Research Project	4	ESP4901 Research Project	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4	PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
UE	4	UE	4
UE	4	UE	4
UE	4	UE	4
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**20**

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Recommended semester schedule – JC-intake students or equivalent

(for students in Engineering Scholars Programme)

Semester 1	Units	Semester 2	Units
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4	ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
DTK1234 Design Thinking	4	ESP2110 Design Project	4
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering	2	GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data	4
RVRC/UTCP course 1 (replaces GE)	4	PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
Elective 1 for Minor	4	RVRC/UTCP course 2 (replaces GE)	4
UE	4	CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6
Sub-total	**22**	**Sub-total**	**26**

Summer vacation between Semesters 2 and 3	Units
CFG2101 NUS Vacation Internship Programme	4
Sub-total	**4**

Semester 3	Units	Semester 4 – can be used for SEP	Units
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4	ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
EE2023 Signals and Systems	4	PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4	PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4
RVRC/UTCP course 3 (replaces CDE2501)	4	EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4
Elective 2 for Minor	4	RVRC/UTCP course 4 (replaces ES2631)	4
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6		
Sub-total	**26**	**Sub-total**	**20**

Summer vacation between Semesters 4 and 5	Units
EG3612 Vacation Internship Attachment	6
Sub-total	**6**

Semester 5	Units	Semester 6	Units
ESP4901 Research Project	4	ESP4901 Research Project	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4	PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4	EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2
UE	4	UE	4
UE	4	UE	4
		UE	2
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**20**

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Students are highly encouraged to complete the following courses before Semester 1 through advanced placement credits:

- CS1010E Programming Methodology (4 units)
- EG1311 Design and Make (4 units)
- MA1505 Mathematics I (4 units) – replaces MA1511 Engineering Calculus (2 units) and counted as UE (2 units)
- MA2001 Linear Algebra (4 units) – replaces MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering (4 units)

CFG2101 may be replaced by CDE2605 Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme or CDE2605R Undergraduate Research Experience (UREx).

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Recommended semester schedule – poly-intake students

(for students who may want to upgrade to a Second Major)

Semester 1	Units	Semester 2	Units
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4	ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
CS1010E Programming Methodology	4	ESP2110 Design Project	4
MA1301 Introductory Mathematics * (UE)	4	GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data	4
PC1201 Fundamentals of Physics ^ (UE) – if required	4	MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering	4
Elective 1 for Minor	4	PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
		CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**26**

Semester 3	Units	Semester 4	Units
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4	ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
CDE2501 Liveable Cities	4	PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4
MA1511 Engineering Calculus *	2	PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering *	2	EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4
Elective 2 for Minor	4	EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6	GE *	4
Sub-total	**22**	**Sub-total**	**22**

Semester 5	Units	Semester 6	Units
ESP4901 Research Project	4	ESP4901 Research Project	4
EE2023 Signals and Systems	4	PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4	EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4	ES2631 Critique and Communication of Thinking and Design	4
GE ^	4		
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**16**

* Students who are exempted from MA1301 can take MA1511 and MA1512 in Semester 1 and a GE in Semester 3.

^ Students who are exempted from PC1201 can take a GE in Semester 1.

Poly-intake students with accredited diplomas will receive the following exemptions:

- DTK1234 Design Thinking (4 units)
- EG1311 Design and Make (4 units)
- EG3611P Industrial Attachment (10 units)
- Unrestricted electives (20 units)

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Recommended semester schedule – poly-intake students

(for students who are not planning to upgrade to a Second Major)

Semester 1	Units	Semester 2	Units
ESP1111 Engineering Principles In-Action	4	ESP2111 Sensor System Electronics	4
CS1010E Programming Methodology	4	ESP2110 Design Project	4
MA1301 Introductory Mathematics * (UE)	4	GEA1000 Quantitative Reasoning with Data	4
PC1201 Fundamentals of Physics ^ (UE) – if required	4	MA1508E Linear Algebra for Engineering	4
GE	4	PF1101A Project Management and Finance	4
		Elective 1 for Minor ^	4
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**24**

Semester 3	Units	Semester 4	Units
ME2121 Engineering Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer	4	ESP2107 Numerical Methods and Statistics	4
CDE2501 Liveable Cities	4	PC2020 Electromagnetics for Electrical Engineers	4
MA1511 Engineering Calculus *	2	PC3235B Applied Solid State Physics	4
MA1512 Differential Equations for Engineering *	2	EE2211 Introduction to Machine Learning or EE2213 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	4
GE	4	EG2401A Engineering Professionalism	2
Elective 2 for Minor	4	CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6
Sub-total	**20**	**Sub-total**	**24**

Semester 5	Units	Semester 6	Units
ESP4901 Research Project	4	ESP4901 Research Project	4
EE2023 Signals and Systems	4	PC2130B Applied Quantum Physics	4
ESP2106 Principles of Continua	4	EE3331C Feedback Control Systems or ME3142 Feedback Control Systems	4
ESP3201A Machine Learning in Engineering Science	4	ES2631 Critique and Communication of Thinking and Design	4
CDE3301 Ideas to Proof-of-Concept (replaces ESP3903)	6		
Sub-total	**22**	**Sub-total**	**16**

* Students who are exempted from MA1301 can take MA1511 and MA1512 in Semester 1.

^ Students who are exempted from PC1201 can take an Elective for the Minor in Semester 1.

Poly-intake students with accredited diplomas will receive the following exemptions:

- DTK1234 Design Thinking (4 units)
- EG1311 Design and Make (4 units)
- EG3611P Industrial Attachment (10 units)
- Unrestricted electives (20 units)

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