Program Description

The Business Management for Engineers certificate is a graduate level program designed for students with an engineering or technology background who aspire to rise in management, make higher level strategic business decisions, and hone leadership skills. This certificate will provide students with the tools necessary in proposing and managing initiatives and evaluating technology innovation from a business standpoint. These courses are applicable to students who are/want to be entrepreneurial in starting a company, working for a startup, or bringing business management skills into their career at an existing company.

Admission Requirements

- Students must hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution.
- Students must complete the Technology Entrepreneur Center Certificate application [https://my.tec.illinois.edu/eventreg/register.asp](https://my.tec.illinois.edu/eventreg/register.asp).
- After completing the application, students will contact Terry Cole (twcole@illinois.edu) to discuss further details.
Complete these core courses:

- TE 460: Lectures in Engineering Entrepreneurship (1)
- TE 560: Managing Advanced Technology I (1)
- TE 565: Technology Innovation and Strategy (2)

Complete at least 2 credit hours of elective courses/activities from the following:

- TE 401: Developing Breakthrough Projects (1)
- TE 450: Startups: Incorporation, Funding, Contracts, and Intellectual Property (3)
- TE 466: High Tech Venture Marketing (2)
- TE 566: Finance for Engineering Management (2)
- Attendance of the Silicon Valley Entrepreneurship Workshop - A one-page essay about your experience submitted to TEC is required (equivalent to 1 hr. course credit).

Students must earn a B- or better in the courses that make up the certificate program to qualify for the certificate.

Courses may not be applied towards multiple TEC certificates.

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