

# ADVANCE

A NOVA | GEORGE MASON PARTNERSHIP



A.S. Engineering /  
B.S. Civil and Infrastructure Engineering  
Pathway  
2026-2027

## A.S. Engineering

### ADVANCE Program Milestones

**ADVANCE Milestone Requirements:** All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to George Mason University and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#7, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to George Mason.

1. Students must graduate with the NOVA degree aligned with their ADVANCE academic pathway within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students must ensure they are enrolled in the matching degree.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to George Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at George Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at George Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a college level math course with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

**ADVANCE Program-Specific Requirements:** All ADVANCE students in this degree program must adhere to the following requirements prior to matriculation. Failure to do so may prevent a student from matriculating into this program at George Mason or progressing in coursework at George Mason.

1. Engineering students must begin the calculus sequence within the first 30 credits and complete Calculus I and II with a B or better.

NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	GEORGE MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	GEORGE MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1 SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills <b>OR</b> SDV 101 Orientation to Engineering	UNIV 100	General Elective
2 ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH XXX	General Elective
3 MTH 263	4	MTH 263 Calculus I	MATH 113	Major & Quantitative
4 CHM 111 Required (NOVA Catalog: Lab Science #1)	4	CHM 111 General Chemistry I	CHEM 211-213	Major & Nat Science
5 ECO 202	3	ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	ECON 103	Major & Soc/Behav
6 EGR 121	2	EGR 121 Foundations of Engineering	ENGR 107	Major
7 ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH 101	Written Comm
8 MTH 264	4	MTH 264 Calculus II	MATH 114	Major
9 PHY 241 Required (NOVA Catalog: Lab Science #2)	4	PHY 241 University Physics I	PHYS 160-161	Major & Nat Science
10 Technical Elective #1	4	EGR 125 Introduction to Computer Programming for Engineers	ENGR 125T	Major & Info Tech
11 Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation <b>OR</b> ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic <b>OR</b> ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to Theatre <b>OR</b> CST 151 Film Appreciation I <b>OR</b> MUS 121 Music in Society	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGH L372 MUSI 101	Arts
12 Technical Elective #2	4	PHY 242 University Physics II	PHYS 260-261	Major
13 Technical Elective #3	3	EGR 240 Solid Mechanics (Statics)	CEIE 210	Major

14	Technical Elective #4	3	EGR 280 Foundations of Environmental Engineering <b>OR</b> CIV 280 Introduction to Environmental Engineering	CEIE L355	Major
15	MTH 265	4	MTH 265 Calculus III	MATH 213	Major
16	HIS Course	3	HIS 101 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE <b>OR</b> HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE <b>OR</b> HIS 112 World Civilizations Post-1500 CE ( <i>recommended</i> )	HIST 101T HIST 102T HIST 125	Global History
17	Humanities/Fine Arts #2	3	ENG 225 Reading Literature: Culture and Ideas <b>OR</b> ENG 245 British Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 246 American Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 255 World Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 258 African American Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 275 Women in Literature <b>OR</b> Any 200-Level ENG Literature course <sup>1</sup>	ENGH 202 or FRLN L330 (ENG 255 only)	Literature
18	MTH 267	3	MTH 267 Differential Equations	MATH 214	Major
19	Technical Elective #5	3	EGR 246 Mechanics of Materials	CEIE L310 or ME 212	Major
20	Technical Elective #6	3	MTH 283 Probability and Statistics <sup>2</sup>	STAT L344	Major
21	Technical Elective #7	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking <b>OR</b> CST 110 Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Major & Oral Comm

**A. S. ENGINEERING DEGREE TOTAL** 67

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

## B.S. Civil & Infrastructure Engineering

GEORGE MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	GEORGE MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT	
22	Civil Engineering	4	CEIE 241 Hydraulics <sup>3</sup> <b>AND</b> CEIE 242 Hydraulics Lab	Major
23	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 203 Geomatics and Engineering Graphics	Major
24	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 301 Engineering & Econ Models in Civil Engineering	Writing Intensive
25	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 340 Water Resource Engineering	Major
26	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition (Natural Science or Multidisciplinary section)	Written Comm
27	Physics	1	PHYS 266 Introduction to Thermodynamics	Major
28	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 311 Structural Analysis	Major
29	Civil Engineering	4	CEIE 332 Soil Mechanics <b>AND</b> CEIE 333 Soil Mechanics Lab	Major
30	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 360 Introduction to Transportation Engineering	Major
31	Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 370 Construction Systems	Major
32	Biology	3	BIOL 177 Ecological Applications	Major
33	Civil Engineering	1	CEIE 409 Professional Practice and Management in Engr	Major
34	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Core Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
35	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Core Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
36	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Core Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
37	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
38	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
39	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Core Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
40	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
41	Technical Electives	3	CEIE 4xx Technical Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
42	Gen Ed: Apex/Civil Engineering	1	CEIE 490 Senior Design Project I	Apex
43	Gen Ed: Apex/Civil Engineering	3	CEIE 491 Senior Design Project II	Apex

**Important Academic Information:**

<sup>1</sup>200-level ENG literature classes include: ENG 225, ENG 230, ENG 236, ENG 237, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 256, ENG 257, ENG 258, ENG 271, ENG 275, and ENG 279.

<sup>2</sup>Students will need a substitution to allow MTH 283 to fulfill the ENGR, AS Tech Elective requirement. See your ADVANCE coach to initiate the substitution request.

<sup>3</sup>If students have completed EGR 282 at NOVA, only the CEIE 242 Hydraulics Lab is needed at George Mason.

<sup>4</sup>For approved CEIE Technical Electives and Technical Core Electives, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/engineering/civil-environmental-infrastructure/civil-infrastructure-engineering-bs/#requirements>

**General Education Waiver Policy and Guidance:**

- Students who complete a VCCS transfer associate degree (AS, AA, or AFA) will receive a waiver of the Foundation and Exploration (lower division) Mason Core general education categories, which can be found here: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>. To be eligible for the waiver, the students must provide the George Mason Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date. As a prerequisite for ENGH 302, ENGH 101 is not waived. Students must complete ENGH 100 or ENGH 101, or an equivalent, with a C or higher.
- When a course fulfills a Mason Core requirement **and** a major or college requirement (e.g. Major & Quant), students must complete the course listed on the pathway to fulfill the major/college requirement. Courses that fulfill only Mason Core Foundation and Exploration categories are recommendations. In most pathways, ADVANCE students must complete a Quantitative Reasoning course to matriculate through ADVANCE.
- ADVANCE students must complete the associate degree indicated on their pathway (see the ADVANCE Program Milestones listed above). Students who withdraw from ADVANCE and transfer without the associate degree or UCGS are required to complete each Mason Core general education category.

**Additional General Notes & Resources:**

- For academic policies and procedures, please see George Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements.