

Frequently Asked Questions

What are asynchronous and synchronous courses?

An asynchronous course is delivered online without required course meetings, and all the content is available online. Synchronous courses have a required course meeting through a video platform example: zoom.

What are the different course lengths?

A traditional semester is 16 weeks in length. A bi-term course or accelerated course is seven weeks in length. Some programs may have one 16-week and a bi-term course, while others may have two 16 week courses or bi-term courses.

How many courses do I take a semester?

Most students will take two courses each semester, including summer terms.

How soon can I graduate?

Most degrees can be completed within two academic years or six semesters. Contact the program director to get a specific program of study.

What are the admission requirements?

Applicants must be admitted to graduate study under university graduate policies and then be accepted into the specific MSE track or another degree program. Check with each program to determine program admission requirements. In addition to the requirements for admission to graduate study at USI, admission to the MSE program requires the following:

1. A baccalaureate degree (minimum cumulative GPA 2.75) from an accredited college or university with a degree in education or a related field
2. A minimum GPA of 3.0 in all courses taken at the graduate level at all schools attended
3. A copy of a standard U.S. teaching license or an approved waiver form
4. A completed personal information form that includes a record of teaching experience (CV/resume)

What is the processing for applying to a USI graduate program?

1. Submit an [online application](#), a \$40 application fee, and a list of 3 references (names, relation to you, and email address). *One must be an employment supervisor, and the other two must be professional references.*

2. Upload a current resume/curriculum vitae to your [application account](#). The file should be a PDF and use the following naming convention: First Name Last Name EdD resume.pdf (example: Joe Smith MSE resume.pdf).
3. Submit official transcripts to Graduate Studies.
 - o Official electronic transcripts are preferred and can be emailed from the previous institution to Graduate.Studies@usi.edu
 - o Mailed transcripts can be sent to this address:
*Graduate Studies
 University of Southern Indiana
 8600 University Blvd.
 Evansville, IN 47712*
4. International applicants may be required to submit [additional information](#).

What are the application deadlines?

| | Course Start | Application Deadline | Document Deadline | Registration Deadline |
|----------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Summer 2 | 06/27/22 | 06/10/22 | 06/17/22 | 06/24/22 |
| Fall | 08/21/22 | 07/29/22 | 08/5/22 | 08/19/22 |

What are the tuition and fees?

The link to explain tuition and fees can be found on the [Tuition and Fees](#) webpage.
 The bill and payment schedule can be found on the USI's [Payment Deadlines](#) webpage.