

## Rice University Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Upper Year Course Plan (Years 5+)

To be submitted to Graduate Program Administrator by the end of the first week of classes

Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

Matriculation semester and year: \_\_\_\_\_ I am: \_\_\_\_\_ year PhD student

Research Area (please circle one from below):

Computer Engineering      Data Science      Wireless      Optics and Photonics  
 NeuroEngineering      Digital Health and Wearables      Quantum Engineering

Name of your thesis advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your research director at Rice if your advisor is outside of Rice: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan Reviewed By Graduate Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature)

**Ph.D. Candidacy Requirements:** Minimum of thirty (30) semester hours of core and breadth course at the graduate (500) level and above (10 courses excluding research credits and 699) plus a minimum of 54 hours of research credit (ELEC 800) in total, including courses taken to satisfy M.S. requirements. ELEC 699 is required for each semester in residence. . If you have approved prior M.S. this reduces to 6 courses (18 hours). With prior M.S. that's not approved, you can transfer up to 2 MS level courses from allowing you to take only 8 courses (24 hours).

**Previous Years Summary** Only courses in which a grade of B- or above is achieved will be counted towards the M.S./Ph.D. degrees.

Course #	Semester/Year	Credit Hours	Grade	Course #	Semester/Year	Credit Hours	Grade
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		hours				hours	
		hours				hours	
		hours		ELEC 599			
		hours		ELEC 699	list all semesters:		
		hours		ELEC 800	(total accumulated hours that you passed)		hours

**Semester** PhD students are expected to complete required number of graduate level courses in addition to at least 6 hours of research credit (ELEC 800) and 699 in the ninth semester and beyond.

Course #	Title	Credit Hours
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		hours
ELEC 800		hours
ELEC 699		N/A

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		hours
ELEC 800		hours
ELEC 699		N/A

<For Year 6 and above students>

◆ At the end of Year 6, students are expected to complete PhD defense and submit PhD Thesis. Do you plan to complete your PhD Degree and graduate this academic year?      YES      NO

◆ If you answered NO, please provide your planned timeline to complete your PhD thesis and an expected (approximate) PhD defense date.