Master of Science in Engineering Online

NEW STUDENT GUIDE
Welcome to UCLA

Welcome to the UCLA Samueli School of Engineering Master of Science in Engineering Online Program.

The goal of the MSOL program is to provide a pathway for employed engineers to continue their technical education beyond the undergraduate level. It is at the master’s level that engineers have the opportunity to learn a specialization in depth as they update and renew their technical knowledge in a rapidly-changing industry.

Reaching this educational milestone not only enhances their value to their technical organizations, it is also a notable personal achievement.

UCLA Samueli is dedicated to serving the common good in a global city that thrives on innovation and collaboration.

As a new Bruin, you are now part of an exceptional group of scholars and professionals – fearless, interdisciplinary, and driven by the conviction that anything is possible.
Next Steps

I Have Been Recommended for Admission. What’s Next?

In approximately two weeks, you will receive an online offer of admission letter from the UCLA Graduate Division, the formal admission organization for all graduate and professional programs at UCLA. This letter will contain relevant admission information and provide instructions on how to formally accept your offer of admission. This is known as submitting your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR).

Please submit your SIR as soon as your decision is final. From the time you SIR, it takes approximately 2-3 business days for your enrollment to become active. At the latest, you will have until the first day of instruction of your admitted term to submit your SIR. It is advised that you SIR well before the registration due date.

If documentation confirming an undergraduate degree was requested due to academic work in progress, your admission to UCLA is contingent upon receipt of an official final transcript.

All MSOL students are required to read the Standards and Procedures for Graduate Study at UCLA. Click here to read the document in full.
New Student Orientation

Orientations are held annually in mid-September. The Samueli School of Engineering and the MSOL program each host their own orientation on the same day. Newly admitted students for Spring and Fall are encouraged to participate.

Campus tours may be experienced virtually here. We also recommend signing up for an in-person campus tour with UCLA Samueli Tours.

Visitors will be able to tour the Engineering and Physical Science buildings and labs, as well as engage with current Engineering students.

Summer Enrollment for Incoming Fall Students

If you were admitted to UCLA in the Fall term, you will not be able to enroll in the Summer Session. You must wait until your admitted term or enroll in a summer course via UCLA Extension (UNEX).

For more information on UNEX enrollment, please visit our UNEX enrollment page.
Enrollment Information

Where can I view the Schedule of Classes?

The most accurate and up-to-date schedule of classes can be found on our Course Registration Page, where courses are sorted alphabetically by major. Please note that MSOL courses will always end in SEC 80. Please do not enroll in courses that are not reflected on the course registration page.

How do I enroll?

MSOL will send a registration reminder prior to each quarter. Please visit the Term Calendar to view the MyUCLA Graduate Pass enrollment appointment period for each term.

To self-enroll in classes for the upcoming term, log on to MyUCLA using your UCLA credentials. MyUCLA provides access to academic, personal and financial records.

For payment methods, please visit the BruinBill Payment Methods page.
How do I view my courses?

To access course content, you will use your UCLA credentials to access Bruin Learn.

Bruin Learn is UCLA's Learning Management System where you will view your course syllabus, lectures, and assignments. Note that MSOL courses and lectures are asynchronous.

What is continuous registration?

Unless granted a formal leave of absence (LOA), graduate students are expected to register every term, including the term in which their degree or certificate is to be awarded. This means that you may not drop to zero units unless you have an approved LOA on file by Week 2 of any given quarter. The only way to drop to zero units is to withdraw from UCLA.

Incoming students may NOT request a leave of absence in their first term.

Failure to register as required will constitute presumptive evidence that students have withdrawn without leave from the Graduate Division, and that to be readmitted, they must apply formally in competition with all other applicants for admission.
Frequently Asked Questions

What calendar does MSOL follow?

The MSOL program follows the UCLA Term Calendar.

For official exam dates, please visit the MSOL Academic Calendar. Additional exam information can be found on our exam web page.

Do I need a BruinCard?

Obtaining a BruinCard is optional.

As a student in the MSOL program, you are not required to come to campus. However, if you demonstrate an immediate need for campus services, you may obtain a BruinCard to confirm your student status.

To determine your eligibility for a BruinCard appointment, please visit the BruinCard Distribution page.
I have my own health insurance. Am I required to submit an insurance waiver?

As an online student, you are not required show proof of health insurance or submit a waiver.

However, students enrolled in the Hybrid Program must submit an insurance waiver OR purchase UC SHIP.

For additional options for dependent coverage, please view our alternate insurance resource guide. These options are not affiliated with the university, but are offered as a courtesy for our students.

Do I have to submit proof of immunization?

Students in the MSOL Program are not required to complete the UC SHIP waiver or the campus immunization requirement.

Do I have to submit a Statement of Legal Residence?

Students in the MSOL Program are not required to complete a Statement of Legal Residence.
We hope your time with UCLA will prove both challenging and rewarding. Congratulations!

**MSOL Student Resources**

- Academic Calendar
- Course Registration
- Course Schedule
- Exam Information
- Current Student FAQs
- Student Forms

**Graduate Student Resources**

- Graduate Division
- Graduate Student Resource Center
- Graduate Students Association
- Engineering Graduate Students Association
- Graduate Writing Center
Closing Words

Campus Departments and Partners

- **Registrar's Office**: Contact via MyUCLA.
- **Student Accounts**: Contact via MyUCLA.
- **Financial Aid Office**: School Code: 001315
- **Student Clubs and Organizations**
- **Science and Engineering Library**
- **Career Center**: Make connections through Handshake. Handshake connect Bruins with internships, jobs, and events. You can also meet with a career advisor remotely.
- **Center for Accessible Education (CAE)**
- **Community Programs Office (CPO)**
- **Economic Crisis Response**
- **Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)**
- **Veterans Resource Center**