PROPOSAL

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

TO BE OFFERED AT

INDIANA UNIVERSITY PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

Final Proposal Received in the Graduate School

November 17, 2008
IPFW
Request for a New Credit Certificate Program

Campus:  Fort Wayne

Proposed Title of Certificate Program:  Graduate Certificate in Systems Engineering

Projected Date of Implementation:  Fall 2009

I. TYPE OF CERTIFICATE:  (check one)

☐ UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES – These programs generally require 12-29 credits of undergraduate-level academic work.

X GRADUATE CERTIFICATES – These programs generally require 12-29 credits of graduate-level academic work or undergraduate academic work carrying graduate credit.

☐ POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATES – These programs generally require 12-29 credits of undergraduate-level academic work, although students enrolling in these programs must have completed their baccalaureate degrees.

II. Why is this certificate needed?

Systems engineering is a structured approach to developing technical solutions that satisfy customer needs. Unlike traditional forms of engineering (i.e. electrical, mechanical, etc.) systems engineering does not focus on a specific class of products or technologies; rather it focuses on processes used to design, develop, verify and validate new products and systems.

Systems engineering “best practices” reduce development budgets and schedules, enhance product quality and ensure that products will meet customer needs. In other words, good systems engineering will improve a company’s bottom-line. With these benefits, it is not surprising that many companies are investing in their systems engineering capabilities. In fact, local industry has established a distinguished systems engineering faculty position at IPFW to increase their access to needed educational training and course work. This industry-university partnership has also led to the systems engineering focus in the recently-approved IPFW Master of Science in Engineering (M.S.E.) program. The required graduate-level course work for the systems engineering certificate is designed to teach a robust approach to product development from concept definition to the development of the first production article. Students enrolled in these courses will learn best practices, gain familiarity with industry and government standards and develop a toolbox of techniques to guide and manage their product development efforts.
Local interest in the program is high. In the IPFW M.S.E. program’s first year, twenty-nine students were admitted to the program. Eighteen of these students selected systems engineering as their focus area. The four core systems engineering courses are currently the most popular graduate engineering courses. For example, SE510 Systems Engineering (and its precursor special topics course) has attracted enrollments of 30, 19 and 16 students each semester it has been offered and SE520 Engineering Economics has had 13 and 14 students take course each time it has been offered. A number of these students had temporary, post-baccalaureate status when they took these courses and have opted not to pursue an M.S.E. degree. Many of them have expressed an interest in a certificate program to recognize their education in systems engineering fundamentals.

During the development of the M.S.E. proposal, the Department of Engineering surveyed local employers to define program options and course offerings. In addition to considerable interest in the Master of Science in Engineering, there was interest in a systems engineering graduate certificate. The certificate program would address the needs of working engineers that already possess a master’s degree and students that either do not have the time or financial resources to commit to the M.S.E. program.

III. List the major topics and curriculum of the certificate.

The Graduate Certificate in Systems Engineering is based on the core courses for the systems engineering area of specialization within the IPFW Master of Science in Engineering (M.S.E.) program. The courses are designed to provide a broad background in systems engineering techniques and practices including:

- Systems engineering processes and standards
- The stages of both the project and product lifecycles
- A process for scope definition
- Definition, allocation, derivation and management of requirements and specifications
- Techniques for performing functional analysis and allocation
- A framework for constructing and evaluating system trades
- Techniques for design synthesis
- Definition of functional and physical architectures
- Methods for system analysis and control
- Importance of managing the system configuration
- Specialty engineering (e.g., maintainability, reliability, EMI/EMC, manufacturability, etc.)
- System verification and validation
- Planning project technical activities
- Management and control of project development
- Project cost estimation, cost control (i.e., earned value) and cost management
- Risk management
- Technical management
The detailed syllabi are appended to this proposal.

Completion Requirements

As required by the College of Engineering, Technology and Computer Science in accordance with the requirements of the Purdue University Graduate School:

1. The total number of credit hours required is 12.
2. All courses must be taken for a letter grade.
3. The curriculum for the 12-credit hour certificate:

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**Total** 12

4. GPA requirements: Each SE course to be applied toward the certificate must be completed with a grade of "B" or better.
5. No credits from undergraduate-level courses may be used toward the certificate.
6. Some students will be taking only one course at a time; others may need to sit out for a semester, so the maximum time allowed for completion of this 12-hour certificate is three years, unless waived by the Department of Engineering.
7. Students already enrolled in the M.S.E. program are not eligible for the certificate. Exceptions will be considered if a student enrolled for the M.S.E. must leave that program prematurely without completing the full curriculum. If the requirements for the certificate have been fulfilled, the student may petition the Department of Engineering Graduate Committee to request the certificate.
8. Students who initially enroll in the certificate program may apply for the M.S.E. near completion of the certificate requirements or after the certificate has been granted. Courses completed with a grade of B or better would be applied for credit toward the master’s degree up to a maximum of 12 hours.
9. The four certificate courses can not be applied towards another certificate.
10. Students may take a maximum of six credit hours prior to admission to the certificate program that may be counted toward completion of the certificate. (Students can receive additional credit if the courses were taken prior to approval of the certificate program.)
11. If approved by the Department of Engineering Graduate Committee, a maximum of three graduate-level transfer credits may be applied to the requirements for the certificate.
IV. Admission Requirements

Admission to the certificate program requires that students meet the requirements of the Purdue University Graduate School.

1. IPFW Engineering Graduate School Admission Requirements
   a. Bachelors degree in an engineering discipline.
   b. Graduates with Bachelor of Science in the physical sciences, computer science, mathematics or technology may also be considered for admission.

2. An undergraduate cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 grading scale is desired or the candidate should possess alternative metrics indicating the potential for superior performance.

3. Mastery of the English language as evidenced by
   a. **TOEFL for Non-Native English Speakers:**
      Minimum Paper-Based Test (PBT) Score Required: 550
      Minimum Computer-Based Test (CBT) Score Required: 213
      Minimum Internet-Based Test (IBT) Overall Score Required: 77
      With the following minimum section requirements:
      Reading: 19
      Listening: 14
      Speaking: 18
      Writing: 18
   
   or

   b. **IELTS (Academic Module):**
      An alternative to the TOEFL, band scores of 6.5 or higher will be accepted.

V. List the major student outcomes (or set of performance based standards) for the proposed certificate.

To summarize the outcomes listed in the appended syllabi, students who complete the required courses should be able to demonstrate the following knowledge:

   a. A robust approach to the design, development, verification and validation of interdisciplinary products or systems.
   b. Techniques to ensure that their project teams will work to a single, integrated set of requirements and systems engineering processes.
   c. Methods for developing products within customer cost and schedule constraints.
   d. Practices for dealing with increased product complexity, shortened time-to-market, technology obsolescence, commercial technology insertion, system development and verification of software and management of systems-of-systems integration.
VI. **Explain how student learning outcomes will be assessed (student portfolios, graduate follow up, employer survey, standardized test, etc.) and describe the structure/process for reviewing assessment findings for the purpose of ensuring continuous improvement of the certificate.**

To summarize the grading strategies outlined in the appended syllabi, learning outcomes will be assessed through homework, exams and projects. The set of learning outcomes for the certificate program will be assessed through student evaluations, graduate follow-up surveys and review by industry. The resulting feedback will be used to revise the curriculum as appropriate ensuring the continued relevance of the program. In addition, the aggregate data will be reviewed annually by the program faculty and industrial advisory committee.

VII. **Describe student population to be served.**

The systems engineering graduate certificate is open to candidates who meet the admissions requirements, but it is most likely to serve:

- Those with advanced degrees in related technological or scientific disciplines or students currently enrolled in related technological or scientific graduate programs seeking to augment their studies in the theory and practice of systems engineering.
- Working engineers and technologists with bachelor’s degrees who want training in systems engineering, but are not prepared to commit to a master’s degree program.

VIII. **How does this certificate complement the campus or departmental mission?**

IPFW and the Department of Engineering are committed not only to contributing to the economic well-being of Northeast Indiana, but also to preparing students to be active and responsible members of a global society and workplace. Increasingly that means post-baccalaureate study that includes enhanced understanding of the context of their professional engineering activities. This program fulfills this mission and scope in the following ways:

- It focuses on engineering knowledge and skills needed in local industry that are not currently available elsewhere in Northeast Indiana.
- It allows students to begin graduate level study with a specific goal without requiring the commitment of time and financial resources necessary to pursue master's level study. Yet it provides the option to continue for a master's and includes much of the foundational coursework required for M.S.E.
IX. Describe any relationship to existing programs on the campus or within the university.

Currently, IPFW has a limited number of graduate level certificate programs, although others are in the approval process. Those already approved address specialized fields like organizational leadership and supervision, applied statistics, English education, and nursing administration. The proposed graduate certificate emphasizes understanding and applying an end-to-end systems approach to scoping, designing, building, integrating, verifying and validating complex and interdisciplinary products using a framework which is consistent with government and industry standards. It is designed for students who have completed their bachelor’s degree and are seeking additional education and graduate students from other fields of study. The courses in the graduate certificate are part of the core of the systems engineering focus of the M.S.E. program. While the certificate can stand alone, coursework taken under this certificate designation can be applied directly to the M.S.E.

This certificate supports Northeast Indiana workforce development needs. Industrial support for systems engineering is evident in the local support for this program by Raytheon, ITT Industries, General Dynamics, Undersea Sensor Systems, International Truck and Engine, and Northrop Grumman who joined with the Lilly Foundation to create an endowed faculty position and a Center of Excellence to initiate the systems engineering program. Additionally, in September, the Indiana Office of Energy and Defense Development released a draft “business plan” for increasing defense electronics business in the state of Indiana. This plan notes a need to “dramatically expand” systems engineering programs across the state and further observes that “this is a very high priority.” The proposed graduate-level certificate is a key element in meeting this critical state need.

X. List and indicate the resources required to implement the proposed program. Indicate sources (e.g., reallocations or any new resources such as personnel, library holdings, equipment, etc.).

The proposed graduate level certificate can be initiated with our current faculty. Library materials will be covered by those available to support the current systems engineering course work. Publicity costs also will be covered in tandem with the master’s degree. As stated in the M.S.E. proposal, additional faculty lines may be needed as enrollment in the master’s and certificate programs grow.

XI. Describe any innovative features of the program (e.g., involvement with local or regional agencies, or offices, cooperative efforts with other institutions, etc.).

The innovative feature of this program is the curriculum itself. It combines theory and practice that is currently not offered elsewhere in Northern Indiana. It is immediately applicable to local industrial practices and also provides a foundation for more specialized study for those interested in advanced work at the master’s degree level.
XII. Administration

A. Graduate School Administration Role

As specified, by the Graduate School, the following administrative processes will be followed:

1. The admission process shall generally parallel that for students seeking a graduate engineering degree at IPFW.

2. The Office of the Registrar will establish a special admission status for students enrolled in the certificate program.

3. When a student completes requirements for the certificate, the graduate program in the Department of Engineering will notify the Graduate School, which will then notify the Office of the Registrar.

4. The certificate will be posted separately upon completion of the requirements and recorded in the following manner:

   Graduate Certificate
   
   Field of Study: Engineering
   
   Specialization: Systems Engineering

   Credits earned toward a certificate will be included in the computation of the overall GPA posted on the transcript.

5. The Office of the Registrar will arrange for preparation of the certificate.

6. The certificates will be awarded at the usual times set for graduation.

7. The Department of Engineering will submit an annual report to the Graduate Council containing the following information:

   a. the number of students currently admitted to the certificate program
   b. for each admitted student:
      1) date admitted
      2) whether or not the student is also currently admitted to a degree program at Purdue, and if so, which degree
      3) number of credits completed toward fulfillment of certificate requirements
   c. number of certificates awarded annually.

B. Department of Engineering Administration Role

1. At the end of each semester (including summer school), after the initial enrollment of the student in the certificate program, the student's record will be updated by the Department of Engineering to reflect courses completed toward certificate requirements. If the requirements are completed by the end of three
years, then the student will be informed as will the Graduate School. If the student is not enrolled at IPFW at the time of completion, the student will be enrolled "for degree only" and the student's mailing address for the certificate will be requested and sent along to the Graduate School which will forward it to the Office of the Registrar. If the requirements are not met by the end of four years, the student will be asked to verify any extenuating circumstances that may have caused the delay. If the circumstances are deemed to be credible, the student may be granted an extension of the initial time limit. However, if there are no extenuating circumstances or none that are deemed credible, then the student and the Graduate School will be informed of the student's dismissal from the Department of Engineering certificate program.

2. Upon notification by the Graduate School of the completion of the certificate requirements, the Office of the Registrar will provide the certificate to the student.
Appendix A Course Syllabi

**SE510 Systems Engineering**

*Credits: 3*

Systems Engineering (SE) is a structured approach to developing interdisciplinary and complex products. This course will introduce SE methodologies spanning the product development lifecycle from initial scope definition through delivery of the prototype or first production article. SE techniques are used to define and manage requirements, analyze and optimize product architectures, develop comprehensive designs, plan, supervise and carry out the system design and verification activities. SE also provides techniques for ensuring that system-level requirements (*i.e.*, reliability, maintainability, safety, manufacturability, etc.) are incorporated into the final product. Spanning all these activities are a set of SE analysis and control functions that continuously assess and manage the product scope, quality, configuration, interfaces and performance.

**Prerequisites: (If none, please explain reasons for absence)**

Senior or Graduate standing

**Course Outline:**

Classes are 2.5 hours long and will be held once a week

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**Method of Evaluation or Assessment:**

30% Homework  
20% First Exam  
20% Second Exam  
30% Final Exam

**Course Outcomes**
A student who successfully completes the course will have demonstrated:

1. An understanding of Systems Engineering processes and standards.  
   (ABET codes: a, f, h, 1, 7, 9)
2. Familiarity with the project and product lifecycle.  
   (ABET codes: a, e, f, h, 1, 7, 9)
3. An ability to define scope with a work breakdown structure.  
   (ABET codes: c, e, g, k, 3, 4, 8)
4. The capability to write requirements and specifications.  
   (ABET codes: c, e, g, k, 3, 4, 8)
5. Techniques for performing functional analysis.  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, k, 2, 3, 4, 8)
6. The ability to develop and perform system trades.  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, k, 2, 3, 4)
7. The ability to construct and analyze a system architecture.  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, g, k, 2, 3, 4, 8)
8. Familiarity with configuration management processes.  
   (ABET codes: a, c, k, 1, 3, 4)
9. An understanding about how to design systems that are easy to manufacture and maintain as well as safe.  
   (ABET codes: a, c, e, 1, 3, 4, 9)
10. Knowledge of techniques for verifying a design and validating a product.  
    (ABET codes: c, f, k, 3, 4, 7, 8)
11. An understanding of the types of plans needed in engineering a complex system.  
    (ABET codes: c, e, g, 3, 4, 8, 9)

**ABET Classification:**
- Engineering Science: 50%
- Engineering Design: 50%

**Reading List:**
Readings will be assigned from:

2. *INCOSE Systems Engineering Handbook V2a*, June 1, 2004
8. B-2 Systems Engineering Case Study, John M. Griffin, James Kinnu and John, M. Colombi, Center for Systems Engineering, AFIT, Wright Patterson AFB, OG
SE520 Engineering Economics  
Credits: 3  
This course will provide an overview of financial accounting and economic principles employed by engineers involved in product and system development. It is intended to familiarize engineers with methods in project accounting, budgeting, cost estimation, financial management, design optimization and economics.

Prerequisites: (If none, please explain reasons for absence)  
Senior or Graduate standing

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Method of Evaluation or Assessment:  
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20% First Exam  
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Course Outcomes

A student who successfully completes the course will have demonstrated:

1. Use of a work breakdown structure (WBS) to document project scope.
   (ABET codes: c, d, e, g, k, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7)
2. The ability to read and understand project financial reports.
   (ABET codes: d, k, 4, 5)
3. An understanding of techniques used to estimate project costs.
   (ABET codes: c, d, k, 2, 4, 5, 8)
4. Knowledge of criteria for developing basis of estimates for project costing.
   (ABET codes: c, d, f, k, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8)
5. Techniques for quantifying risk.
   (ABET codes: c, d, k, 2, 4, 5, 8)
6. Use of risk in determining cost reserves.
   (ABET codes: c, d, f, k, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8)
7. Use cost as a criteria in making design and development decisions.
   (ABET codes: b, c, d, e, k, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8)
8. Familiarity with EVMS metrics.
   (ABET codes: c, d, k, 2, 4, 5, 8)
9. An understanding of the time value of money.
   (ABET codes: c, d, k, 5, 8)
10. An ability to read and understand corporate financial reports.
    (ABET codes: c, d, 5, 8)

ABET Classification:

Engineering Science: 80%
Engineering Design: 20%

Reading List:

Modern Cost Management, 2nd Ed., 2000 (In paperback)
Jae K. Shin, Joel G. Siegel, Ph.D.
Barron’s Educational Series, Inc.

Engineering Economics, Thirteenth Edition,
William Sullivan, Elin Wicks, James Lukhoj
ISBN 0-13-148649-7
Pearson Education, Inc., 2006


SE530 Systems Engineering Management
Credits: 3

The systems engineering (SE) management team is responsible for planning and managing all systems engineering activities that are required to successfully develop complex products and systems. They are in charge of ensuring that all system elements are compatible, available on-schedule and on-budget, work together seamlessly, and satisfy customer requirements.

This course will address the role and activities of the systems engineering team in managing and coordinating product development. Topics will include systems engineering planning, management of scope, risk and cost, configuration, interfaces and human resources, project control, reviews, performance measures, standards and documentation.

Prerequisites: (If none, please explain reasons for absence)
1. Senior or graduate standing in either an engineering or science degree program, and
2. SE 510 Systems Engineering or Consent of the Instructor

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Course Outcomes

A student who successfully completes the course will have demonstrated:

1. An understanding of role of the systems engineering team in product development
   (ABET codes: 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, a, d, g, j, k)
2. Knowledge of systems engineering practice and its integration into the product development lifecycle.
   (ABET codes: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, a, d, e, i, j, k)
3. An understanding of systems engineering balance functions that span the project lifecycle:
   management of scope, requirements, interfaces, configuration, risk, cost and data.
   (ABET codes: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, a, c, d, i, j, k)
4. Techniques for planning the technical effort
   (ABET codes: 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, a, c, d, f, g, k)
5. The use of program phased gates and reviews to verify and validate progress
   (ABET codes: 4, 5, 7, 8, a, c, d, f, g, k)
6. Techniques for quantifying and reducing development risk.
   (ABET codes: 2, 4, 5, 8, c, d, e, k)
7. Ability to assess the advantages and challenges associated with the method for integrating
   engineering functions into companies and projects organizations
   (ABET codes: 5, d)
8. An understanding of techniques used to estimate project costs.
   (ABET codes: 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, c, d, f, k)
9. Techniques for managing cost during product development
   (ABET codes: 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, b, d, e, f, k)

ABET Classification:

  Engineering Science: 60%
  Engineering Design: 40%

Reading List:
Readings will also be assigned from


Available at: http://www.sei.cmu.edu/pub/documents/95.reports/pdf/mm003.95.pdf


Available at: [http://oecm.energy.gov/admin/Portal/LinkClick.aspx?tabid=79&table=Announcements&field=ItemID&id=13&link=NDIAIntentGuide.pdf](http://oecm.energy.gov/admin/Portal/LinkClick.aspx?tabid=79&table=Announcements&field=ItemID&id=13&link=NDIAIntentGuide.pdf)
SE540 Systems Architecture
Credits: 3

Systems engineering best practices prescribe a set of methodologies for architecting and designing complex systems. This course will cover requirements analysis, functional analysis and allocation, and synthesis and their interaction with systems analysis and control functions including system trades, management of risk, configuration, interfaces and data, and development of performance measures. The lectures will be complemented by a class design project to architect a complex system leading to development of a functional and physical architecture and associated functional and allocated baselines.

Level of the Course:
Anticipated Percentage of Undergraduate Student Enrollment: 10%
Anticipated Percentage of Graduate Student Enrollment: 90%

Prerequisites: (If none, please explain reasons for absence)
SE510 Systems Engineering or equivalent

Course Outline:

Classes are 2.5 hours long and will be held once a week. The first half of each class will be theory and second half will be project engineering

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Method of Evaluation or Assessment:
25% Homework
25% Class Project
20% MidTerm
30% Final Exam
Course Outcomes

A student who successfully completes the course will have demonstrated:

1. An advanced capability to generate a work breakdown structure that defines scope  
   (ABET codes: c, e, g, k, 3, 4, 5, 8)
2. A capability to work with stakeholders to identify, derive and allocate system requirements.  
   (ABET codes: c, e, g, k, 3, 4, 5, 8)
3. An ability to generate comprehensive Interface Control Documents (ICDs)  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, g2, 3, 4, 5, 8)
4. The ability to apply functional analysis techniques to real world problems  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, k, 2, 3, 4, 8)
5. An understanding of how to design and perform complex system trades.  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, k, 2, 3, 4, 5)
6. The ability to construct both functional and physical architecture.  
   (ABET codes: b, c, e, g, k, 2, 3, 4, 8)
7. An understanding of how to incorporate specialty engineering into system architectures  
   (ABET codes: c, d, g, 2, 3, 4, 8)

ABET Classification:  
   Engineering Science: 40%  
   Engineering Design: 60%

Reading List:

Textbook

Readings will also be assigned from:

2. *INCOSE Systems Engineering Handbook V2a*, June 1, 2004