Complete applications are reviewed by our Graduate Program Committee for admission recommendation and financial assistance.

CRITERIA for an admission recommendation by CEE

A. **GPA requirement** of: 3.0 in your last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework. (A=4.0)

B. Minimum **GRE requirements** are:
   - Verbal – 146 (400 old scale), Quantitative – 147 (570 old scale) and Analytical Writing – 3.5.

C. Minimum **requirement for the TOEFL** is:
   - 80 (internet based) or 550 (test center) or 220 (computer based).
   - Your TOEFL must be less than two years old at the time of registration. **IELTS** is accepted in place of the TOEFL and must be a minimum of 6.5.

D. Minimum requirements for GRE verbal and analytical writing may be waived if student’s TOEFL score is greater than 82 (internet testing), 570 (test center) or 230 (computer based) or IELTS score is 7 or higher, and he/she possesses good communication skills.


APPLICATION PROCESS – International Student

____ Application online at Graduate School [www.gradschool.siu.edu/applygrad](http://www.gradschool.siu.edu/applygrad)

____ $65 application fee paid

____ Mail your application packet with all of the following materials to the address at bottom of this checklist
   ___ Copy of your Graduate School application
   ___ Photocopy of passport page that shows name and date of birth
   ___ Statement of Purpose; include research experiences/goals
   ___ Financial Statement for International Grad Students; required for I20 (last page of this document)
   ___ Financial/Bank documents in amount to cover one year’s expenses (currently $42,500).
   ___ Official* mark sheets of all college/universities attended.
   ___ Official* diploma, provisional certificate, or proof of graduation for each degree held
   ___ Examinee copy of GRE scores
   ___ Examinee copy of TOEFL/IELTS scores

____ In addition, complete the following items
   ___ Three letters of recommendations; submit online or include with your application packet
   ___ Official* GRE Score Report mailed directly to SIU (school code 1726)
   ___ TOEFL/IELTS Score Report mailed directly to SIU Graduate School from testing organization (school code 1726)

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Web: [www.engineering.siu.edu/civil](http://www.engineering.siu.edu/civil)
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*Official is a document that has the required official seals/signatures and is received by the department in an envelope sealed by the issuing institution/organization. The following are NOT official: student copies, certified copies or attested copies.*
Dear Prospective Graduate Student:

Thank you for your interest in graduate studies in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering (CEE) at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. The department offers advanced study in the areas of structural engineering, environmental engineering, geotechnical engineering and water resources engineering. Our classes are taught primarily by tenured and tenure track faculty. It is our hope that you will be learning in and enjoying our variety of unique and rewarding courses in the near future.

SIUC is located in the heart of Southern Illinois, a region known for its natural beauty, an assortment of cultures, outdoor recreation, and its strong support for this university. Should you choose to make Carbondale your home, you will quickly realize why so many SIUC students and alumni marvel over breathtaking sites like Campus Lake, Thompson Woods, Pulliam Hall and Morris Library.

The Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering now offers two graduate degree options:

1) Master of Science in Civil Engineering (MS). The MS requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of acceptable graduate credit, including a minimum 3 hours of CE599 Thesis. Candidates applying for admission must provide valid GRE scores and pass a comprehensive oral examination of their graduate work, including a written thesis. Qualified MS candidates are considered for teaching and for research assistantships.

2) Master of Engineering in Civil Engineering (ME). The ME requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of acceptable graduate credit. However, ME candidates are required to complete CE593 (Civil Engineering Project) OR an additional 500 level course and may be required to complete a comprehensive examination of the student’s graduate work. This is a non-research degree – teaching and/or research assistantships are not available from the department, nor would this be a suitable track to pursue a Ph.D.

The Graduate School is a paperless office and all applicants apply on-line. During the on-line application process, you will be given the opportunity to pay the $65 application fee via credit card. Please follow the application instructions and upload the required documents. Required original materials should be mailed directly to the CEE department.

Files must be complete and all application materials received by the department no later than September 1 for spring admission or March 1 for fall admission. Please utilize SIU’s website, as it is an excellent resource to answer your questions and learn about our campus.

Sincerely,

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