

Dear Prospective Student:

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

The School of Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering now offers two graduate degree options:

1) **Master of Science (MS) in Civil Engineering.** 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 (ME) in Civil Engineering.** The ME requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of acceptable graduate credit. ME candidates are required to complete CE593 (Civil Engineering Project) OR an additional 500 level course. 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 (see below) and upload the required documents. There are also required original materials that should be mailed directly to the CEIE school. When the fee, forms, documentation, and references are complete, and on file in the CEIE school, your application will be reviewed by the school's Graduate Program Committee.

Files must be complete and all application materials received by the school 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,

Sanjeev Kumar, Ph.D., P.E., F.ASCE
Director, Professor and Distinguished Teacher

SCHOOL OF CIVIL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING (CEIE)

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Applications are reviewed by our Graduate Program Committee for admission recommendation and financial support; they are not separate applications.

CRITERIA for admission recommendation from CEIE

1. GPA requirement of 3.0 in your last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework. (A=4.0)
2. Minimum GRE requirements are: 147 Verbal; 152 Quantitative; 3.5 Analytical Writing.
3. An applicant's GRE verbal and analytical writing scores may be waived IF applicant's TOEFL score is 82 or higher OR IELTS score is 7 or higher OR Duolingo score is 110 or higher, and he/she possesses good communication skills.
4. Minimum requirement for English:
TOEFL - 80 (internet based)
IELTS - 6.5
Duolingo - 105
Test date must be less than two years old at the time you register for courses
5. Testing Codes: SIUC – 1726 and Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering – 1102.

APPLICATION PROCESS – International Student. Have all the following materials in front of you when you complete your application. This makes it easier on everyone and no chance that items you send later get lost, misplaced, etc.

1. [Apply online](#) at the Graduate School website and upload the required materials. A \$65 application fee must be paid at this time.
2. Upload a copy of your passport page that shows your name and date of birth.
3. Upload a Statement of Purpose (minimum one page). If applying for M.S. include research experiences/goals.
4. Upload complete “Financial Statement for International Grad Students” form. If you require funding to attend, put SIUC Engineering as source of funding.
5. Upload a clear copy of mark sheets from all colleges/universities you attended.
6. Upload a clear copy of your provisional certificate/diploma(s) as proof of graduation.
7. Upload a clear copy of your GRE score report.
8. Upload a clear copy of your TOEFL/IELTS score.
9. Supply email address for three recommendations OR mail hard copy recommendation letters to the address below. Make sure you have the email address correct and the recommender is aware they will get an email from SIU. They should check their junk email if they do not get it right away.
10. Upload your financial/bank documents in the amount to cover one year's expenses, currently \$42,500 for one year without any financial support. If you meet [the high achiever tuition rate](#), your financials need only show \$23,708. You may wait to send bank information until you learn of the department's decision.

Mail any materials to:

Graduate Program
Civil, Environmental & Infrastructure Engineering
MC 6603
1230 Lincoln Drive
Carbondale, IL 62901

For further information:

Email: jlanguin@siu.edu
Phone: 001-618-536-2368
Web: www.engineering.siu.edu/civil
Web: www.gradschool.siu.edu