Minors & Certificates

Minors

A minor allows a student to supplement his or her major with deeper study in a specific area. Minors earned by a student appear on the student's official University transcript after graduation.

Minors offered by the College of Engineering include:

- Bioengineering
- Computational Science and Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- International Minor in Engineering
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Physics
- Polymer Science and Engineering
- Technology and Management

If you intend to add a minor, you need to get a signature of approval from the department in which you intend to get the minor. You can obtain the 'Statement of Intent to Pursue a Campus-Approved Minor' form in PDF here. If you want to change or remove a minor, you will find copies of the "Minor's Modification Form" at the kiosk in the lobby area of 206 Engineering Hall (pending changes to the Provost's website for the online link). Submit the completed form to the receptionist at 206 Engineering Hall.

Students in the College of Engineering can also pursue many of the minors offered by other colleges. See the Academic Catalog for information on other minors.

Certificates

A certificate attests to a student's achievement in an area beyond their major. Certificates do not appear on the final transcript. The following organizations offer certificates that may be of interest to College of Engineering students:

- Technology Entrepreneur Center

The Technology Entrepreneur Center offers courses and extra-curricular activities for engineering and technology students interested in technology commercialization and entrepreneurship.

- Illinois Leadership Center

The development of your leadership skills and capacities begins with personal initiative and self-awareness – understanding your passions, motivations, strengths, limits, and personal values. The process is on-going, and the pursuit of leadership requires perseverance, and a commitment to perpetual learning. Through it all, you should practice your skills as much as possible through becoming involved. Illinois Leadership allows you to decide where you want to get involved, when it works for you, and how involved you want to be.

Learn more about the exciting programs that the Illinois Leadership Center offers!