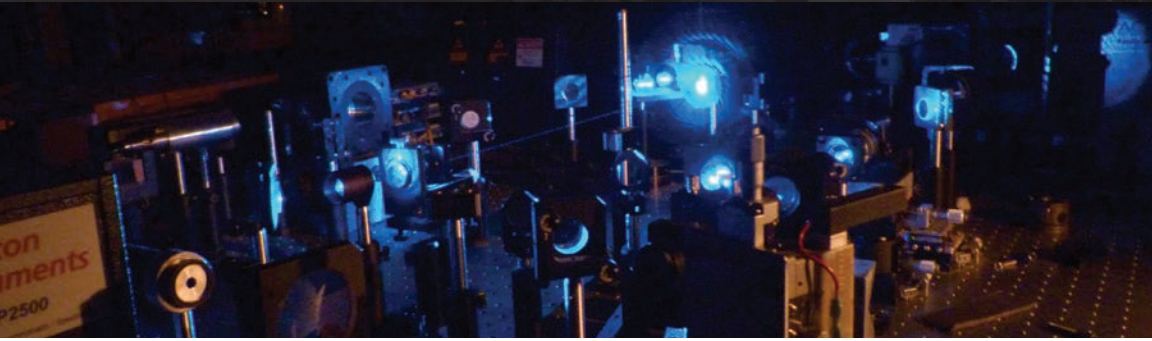




TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Department of Mechanical Engineering™



ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

Undergraduate Students:	693
Master's Students:	49
Doctoral Students:	93
Faculty Members:	34

GRADUATE DEGREES

Doctor of Philosophy:
Mechanical Engineering

Master of Science:
Mechanical Engineering

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MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

RESEARCH

Both faculty and students in mechanical engineering at Texas Tech work on a variety of research projects including heat transfer, combustion, and energetic materials; biomechanics, cardiovascular mechanics, microfluidics and microrheology, soft matter and complex fluids, and bio-inspired devices; computational mechanics; nanomaterials; high pressure materials and failure analysis; human-centric design research; control science and engineering; computational fluid dynamics, wind energy, multi-dimensional flow and the nitro-hydrogen economy.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Department of Mechanical Engineering offers programs leading to the Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering (M.S.M.E.) and the Doctor of Philosophy degrees.

The majority of M.S.M.E. and Ph.D. graduates find employment in private industry or in government laboratories. Recent graduates have been employed by Sandia Labs, Chrysler, GM, John Deere, Texas Instruments, Shell Research, BP Amoco, Weber Aircraft, Apple Computer, Applied Materials, and Caterpillar.

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

The MSME is a graduate degree requiring an additional 18 to 24 months of study beyond the undergraduate degree.

The department offers the three master's program options: thesis, report and coursework only. Students in pursuing each program option must select and designate a major area of study from the four streams available:

- Solid Mechanics
- Thermofluids and Heat Transfer
- Dynamics and Controls
- Design

Students are required to submit a degree plan during their first semester.

Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

The Ph.D. in mechanical engineering is a graduate degree requiring a minimum of three years of graduate study beyond the undergraduate degree. It is awarded to students who have completed a program of graduate courses, a final examination, and a dissertation. Completion of the Ph.D. normally requires approximately 24 to 36 months beyond the master's degree.



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Mechanical Engineering Research

Faculty Research Specializations



Dr. Burak Aksak

Assistant Professor

Development of bio-inspired devices for adhesion, sensing, actuation and energy harvesting. Multi-functional, self-sufficient systems that exploit micro/nano structures.



Dr. Ed Anderson

Professor

Student Learning, Heat Transfer, Energy Conservation



Dr. Alan Barhorst

Professor

Multi-Body, Elasto-Dynamics, and Control, Bio-Mechanics, Fluid-Structure Interaction, NDE (Acoustic Emission), Parametric Optimization, Robotics, Vibrations



Dr. Jordan Berg

Professor and Co-Director of Nano Tech Center

Modeling, Design, Control, and Fabrication of Microsystems, Control of Non-Linear Systems, Microsensors, Bifurcations, Unfoldings, and Singularities of Control Systems



Dr. Sukalyan Bhattacharya

Associate Professor

Low Reynold's Number Hydrodynamics, Turbulence and Turbulent Scalar Transport, Statistical Mechanics



Dr. Jerzy Blawdziewicz

Professor and Director of Graduate Program

Theoretical & Numerical Descriptions of Complex Materials: Colloidal Suspensions, Functional Nanocomposite Membranes, Metallic Glasses, Soft Biological Matter



Dr. Luciano Castillo

Cash Foundation Engineering Chair and Professor

Mod./Exper. Wind Energy Array; Single-Blade Aerodyn.; Multi-Scale & Asymptotic Meth. in Turbulent Boundary Layers; Exper., Theor., & Num. Fluid Mech., Forced Convect. Heat Transfer



Dr. Jharna Chaudhuri, P.E.

Department Chair and Professor

Luminescent Nano-Materials, Wide Band Gap Semiconductors, High Resolution Transmission Electron Microscopy, Synchrotron X-Ray Topography, High Resolution X-Ray Diffraction



Dr. Gordon Christopher

Assistant Professor

Interfacial and bulk rheology using microfluidics and other novel techniques



Dr. Hanna Cho

Assistant Professor

Nonlinear dynamics in micro/nanomechanical systems, Multi-physics dynamics arisen in scanning probe microscopy systems, Micro/nanomechanical structures



Dr. Ming Chyu, P.E.

Professor and Coordinator of

M.Eng. Healthcare Engineering Option

Healthcare Engineering, Thermal Fluid Sciences, Energy Systems



Dr. Stephen Ekworo-Osire, P.E.

Professor and Associate Dean of Research

and Graduate Programs
Engineering Design, Vibrations, Orthopaedic Biomechanics, Engineering Education



Dr. Atila Ertaş

Professor

Transdisciplinary Design, Test Method Development, Experimental & Theoretical Study of Nonlinear Dynamics, Random Vibration, Acoustics



Dr. Zhaoming He

Associate Professor

Heart-Valve Tissue Mechanics, Cardiovascular Mechano-Biology, Cardiovascular Medical Devices



Dr. Qing Hui

Associate Professor

Large-Scale Physical Network Systems; Threat Detection and Design Experimental Systems; Cyber-Physical Network Systems; Resilience of Multi-Layer and Multi-Dependent Networks



Dr. Fazle Hussain

President's Distinguished Chair in Engineering and Science,

Senior Adviser to the President, Professor

Vortex dynamics, turbulence, and measurement techniques, Coherent structures in fluid turbulence



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Associate Professor

Computational Mechanics Including: Finite Element Method, Multiscale Approach, Metal Forming, Continuum Mechanics



Dr. Darryl James, P.E.

Professor

Physical Simulation of Tornado-Like Vortices, Computational & Experimental Fluid Mechanics, Combined-Mode Heat Transfer & Fluid Mechanics, Turbulence-Enhanced Heat Transfer



Dr. Alan Jankowski

Professor

Material Properties, Nanostructured Materials, Phase Transformations, Microstructure & Microscopy, Synthesis & Processing, Nanotechnology



Dr. Jungkyu (Jay) Kim

Assistant Professor

High-throughput gene/protein analysis, Biosensor and Bioelectronics, Programmable microfluidic platform, Point-of-Care diagnostics, Cell and Tissue engineering and Biomechanics



Dr. Golden Kumar

Assistant Professor

Bio-inspired structures in metals, Materials properties at multiple scales, Unconventional nano-fabrication techniques, Environmental and health issues related to nano-materials



Dr. Todd Lillian

Assistant Professor

Biophysics, Dynamics & Vibrations, Cable Dynamics



Dr. Yanzhang Ma

Professor

Diamond Anvil Cell and Laser-Heating High-Temperature Techniques, Stress & Strain Under High-Pressure, Synchrotron X-Ray Measurement, High-Pressure Spectroscopy



Dr. Tim Maxwell

Professor

Automotive Systems, Alternative Fuels, Wind Engineering, Computational Fluid Dynamics



Dr. Hanna Moussa

Assistant Professor

Radiation safety and control, Dose and risk assessment, Radiation protection and detection, Radiation transport and modeling, Radiation shielding, Space radiation



Dr. Michelle Pantoya

Wright Regents Chair and Professor

Energetic Materials, Combustion, Experimental Heat Transfer



Dr. Siva Parameswaran

Professor

High frequency Oscillating Ventilators; Far-wake development; Computational models for turbine-turbine interaction; Turbulence models for lift-coefficients for flow around bluff bodies



Dr. Jingjing (Jenny) Qiu

Assistant Professor

Modeling & Simulation of Micro/Nano Flow, Multiscale Composites, Biological Materials



Dr. Jahan Rasty, P.E., M.B.A.

Professor

Materials Performance & Behavior Characterization; Component Failure Analysis & Investigation; Manufacturing; Mechanical Metallurgy; Numerical Modeling of Large-Strain Manufacturing



Dr. Beibei Ren

Assistant Professor

Nonlinear System Control Methods and Algorithm Design; Adaptive Control, Neural Networks, Boundary Control of Systems Modeled by PDEs, Real-time Optimization Using Extremum Seeking



Dr. Jian Sheng

Associate Professor and Whitacre Endowed Chair

Complex Transport phenomenon, Hydrodynamic interactions, Bio-inspired surfaces, Biofilm initiation and formation, Biological and biomedical fluid mechanics, Advanced sustainable energy systems



Dr. Craig Snoeyink

Assistant Professor

Microfluidics, Micro-Particle Tracking Velocimetry and Particle Image Velocimetry, Super-Resolution Imaging, Biomedical Imaging



Dr. James Yang

Associate Professor

Biomechanics & bio-inspired systems, Robotics & Multibody Dynamic systems, Human modeling/simulation, Human locomotion, Slips/falls, Spine biomechanics, Human-centric design, Healthcare engineering



Dr. Changdong Ye

Assistant Professor

Contact Mechanics & Surface Engineering of Micro-/Nano-Scale Systems, Dynamic Adhesive Surface Interactions, Nano-Indentations/Nano-Scratch Techniques