

San Jose State University – College of Engineering

Engineering Graduate Welcome

Congratulations on your admission!



Introductions



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- **Resources:** Student Services, Scholarships, Clubs/Orgs, etc.
- **Q&A Breakout Rooms**

Program Advisors:

Dr. Yun Wang, MS BME

Dr. Armin Moghadam, MS Engineering Technology

Dr. Niranjani Patel, MS EM & MS ISE

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Dr. Wencen Wu, MS AI

Dr. Haonan Wang, MS CMPE



Engineering Student Success Center (ESSC)



- Undergraduate and graduate students in the College
- At graduate level, general advising and any inquiries
- [Drop-in hours available](#) and appointments via [Spartan Connect](#)

New Student Departmental Orientation



Departments / Graduate Program Coordinators will reach out with details including Zoom links.

Program	Date
MS Aerospace Engineering	Email Dr. Mourtos directly: nikos.mourtos@sjsu.edu
MS Artificial Intelligence	December 9 in break-out room portion of Welcome
MS Biomedical Engineering	December 8 in break-out room portion of Welcome
MS Chemical and Materials Engineering	No orientation for Spring; check your email for communications from Dr. Kao (katy.kao@sjsu.edu) and orientation slides
MS Civil Engineering	Email Dr. McMullin directly: kurt.mcmullin@sjsu.edu
MS Computer Engineering	December 19, 2025, 7 PM (Pacific) via Zoom
MS Electrical Engineering	December 9, 2025, 6 PM - 7 PM (Pacific) via Zoom

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MS Engineering Technology	Email Dr. Armin Moghadam directly: armin.moghadam@sjsu.edu
MS Interdisciplinary Engineering	Email Dr. Hambaba directly: ahmed.hambaba@sjsu.edu
MS Industrial and Systems Engineering MS Industrial and Systems Engineering Operational Analytics MS Engineering Management	January 5, 2025, 6 PM - 8 PM (Pacific) via Zoom
MS Mechanical Engineering	December 19, 2025, 6 PM (Pacific) Zoom Session January 20, 2026, 6 PM (Pacific), in person, Room TBD
MS Software Engineering	November 19, 2025, 6 PM - 8 (Pacific) via Zoom

University-wide Orientation



- [Graduate Student Orientation](#): all registered students will receive an invitation to join the non-mandatory “Graduate Pathways for Success” (GPS) Canvas course
- Students will also receive a link to the [Graduate Student Handbook](#)
- International students must attend the [Global Spartan Welcome \(GSW\)](#) by ISSS which covers critical information to maintain visa status. Register for the Zoom webinar on January 9, 2026, 10-11:30 Am (Pacific)

Program Advisor



- Each program has an assigned [graduate program coordinator](#), aka program advisor, to support you through your MS degree
- Your advisor can address questions related to admission conditions, technical requirements, curriculum, course sequence – everything related to your program
- Meet with your program advisor at least once a semester to stay on track for [graduation](#)

Your Academics



GOOD STANDING

[Academic Standing](#) of GPA 3.0 and above. Graduate cum GPA calculation includes courses 100-199 and 200-level courses.

ADMISSION CONDITIONS

Complete your prerequisites, conditions, or transition courses as specified in your admissions letter (generated Tues. & Thurs. after admitted; viewable in NextSteps).

AVOID ACADEMIC NOTICE

If you find yourself on [academic notice](#), please reach out to the ESSC and your program advisor right away.

GRADE AVERAGING

There is no grade replacement at graduate level.

Important Websites



- **Graduate Admissions and Program Evaluations (GAPE) Office:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/gape/>
- **Change of Programs:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/gape/forms/index.php>
- **Registrar's Office:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/>
- **How to register for classes:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/registration/registration-basics.php#issues>
- **Bursar's Office:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/bursar/>
- **Vaccination/Immunization:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/medical/>
- **International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS):** <https://www.sjsu.edu/iss/index.php>
- **Health Insurance for International Students :** <https://www.sjsu.edu/iss/resources/health-insurance.php>

Important Websites



- **Academic Technology Equipment Loaning :** <https://www.sjsu.edu/it/services/classroom-tech/equipment-loaning/index.php>
- **Student Computing Services (MLK Library) :** <https://library.sjsu.edu/student-computing-services>
- **University Housing Services:** <https://www.sjsu.edu/housing/>

Helpful Tips



- Check your SJSU email address
- Check MySJSU
- Read the Engineering Student Newsletter weekly (sent out to your email)
- Check your department website and learn about faculty research interests
- When you enroll in classes pay attention to the instructor, delivery mode (in-person, hybrid, online), location, meeting day/time
- International student insurance must be purchased to have your hold released
- Enrollment load for international students – one online class max. allowed per semester

Scholarships



- **The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office (FASO)**
 - SJSU scholarships
 - Department scholarships
 - Private scholarships
- **College of Engineering**
 - Directly administers several scholarship programs
- **International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)**
 - Global Spartan Scholarship
 - Louie Barozzi Scholarship
- **College of Graduate Studies Funding Opportunities**
 - <https://www.sjsu.edu/cgs/financial-support/index.php>

Career Center



Workshops

Learn how to find internships and jobs, write a resume, build your professional brand, and more.

Handshake

Your Job/Internship Search Portal and Event Platform. New students will have access once the semester starts.

***Handshake** can be accessed by new students approximately two weeks into the semester, once they are fully enrolled and have commenced their classes.*

Student Services



SJSU PANTRY

Food assistance program offering non-perishable goods, fresh produce, and refrigerated items.

WELLNESS CENTER

The place to go for everything related to your health and well-being at SJSU.

[Vaccine Information](#)

AS TRANSPORTATION

Get unlimited rides on VTA buses and Light Rail with the SmartPass Clipper.

RECREATION CENTER

State-of-the-art facility housing everything you need to begin or maintain your fitness goals.

AEC

If you need accommodations, register with the Accessible Education Center:

<https://www.sjsu.edu/aec/>

Student Organization/Clubs



Organizations are self-categorized into the following groups:

- Academic
- Club Sports
- Cultural
- Religious
- Fraternity/Sorority
- Special Interests

SJSU SAMMY APP: All student organizations are listed on this application.



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Features that help with student life.



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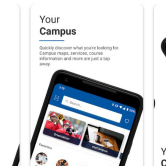


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On-Campus Job Opportunities



- **Academic** (under the guidance of a Professor/Department/Center)
 - Instructional Student Assistant (ISA)
 - Teaching Assistant (TA)
 - Research Assistant (RA)
- **Service** (with the University; focused on food, hospitality, & management)
 - Spartan Eats
 - Dining Commons
- **Resident Advisor (RA)** (with University Housing Services)
More information can be found [here](#)
- **Other**
 - Front-desk roles, Assistant roles (success centers/offices on campus)
 - Library Assistant
 - Spartan Recreational and Aquatic Center (SRAC)

Resources: Handshake, SJSU Website, Instagram Posts, [Compass](#) etc.

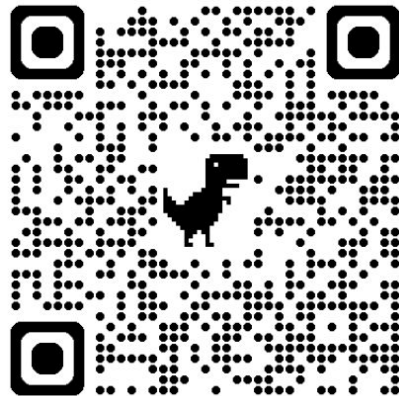
ESSC Student Support Programs



ESSC Peer Mentorship

As a mentee you will be paired with an experienced graduate student who supports your personal, career, social, and academic development.

Scan the QR to become a mentee!



<https://forms.gle/VkCipMDupv6bwpKK6>

Graduate Round Table

Join other graduate students and our Graduate Peer Advisors for interactive sessions on a variety of topics such as SJSU clubs, tech trends, networking, job/internship search, or CPT.

In-person and hybrid at the ESSC in ENG 116. Refreshments served!

Sessions advertised in Engineering Student Newsletter and via email.



[@sjsuessc](https://www.instagram.com/sjsuessc)



[@sjsuessc](https://www.linkedin.com/company/sjsuessc)

Ready for Questions? Join Breakout Rooms

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General Advising & Academics	Marta R Rodenas
MS Biomedical Engineering	Yun Wang
MS Engineering Technology	Armin Moghadam
MS Engineering Management & MS Industrial and Systems Engineering (both options)	Minnie Patel
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Any Questions? Join Breakout Rooms

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Breakout Rooms after 5 minute break

THANK YOU

Questions? Contact us at graduate-engineering@sjsu.edu

or visit our website : <https://www.sjsu.edu/essc/gess/index.php>

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