

Petition for Advancement to  
Graduate Candidacy  
(aka, Candidacy Form)  
Instructions

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# Candidacy Form Overview

**The Petition for Advancement to Candidacy is at**  
<https://www.sjsu.edu/gape/forms/index.php>

- You must use Adobe Acrobat or Adobe Reader to fill in this form. Update your version of Adobe Reader and download and save the file before filling it out.
- Not following these instructions may produce an unreadable pdf file. The use of a Mac often leads to forms that cannot be edited or signed.

**Use the following pattern to name your file:**

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Date Last-name first-name student-id
Candidacy.pdf
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Example:

2021-06-18 Doe, John 012345678 Candidacy.pdf

- 4) Required Signatures
- A) Your signature
  - B) Approval signature

# Completing the Candidacy Form

## Section 1: Student Information

### Student Information

Completed form should be emailed to the appropriate GAPE evaluator (see [www.sju.edu/gape/about\\_us.htm](http://www.sju.edu/gape/about_us.htm)), submitted to Window G in the Student Services Center, or sent through interoffice mail to extended.sju 0017.

|                 |                      |                        |                      |       |                      |     |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-----|----------------------|
| Last Name       | <input type="text"/> | First Name             | <input type="text"/> |       |                      |     |                      |
| Student ID      | <input type="text"/> | Previous Name (if any) | <input type="text"/> |       |                      |     |                      |
| Current Address | <input type="text"/> | City                   | <input type="text"/> | State | <input type="text"/> | Zip | <input type="text"/> |
| Daytime Phone   | <input type="text"/> | Email Address          | <input type="text"/> |       |                      |     |                      |

1) Enter the Contact Information into the box

2) Note the fields

- A) Last Name, First Name
- B) Student ID
- C) Current Address
- D) City, State, Zip
- E) Daytime Phone
- F) Email Address

- Capitalize properly: Do not use all caps formatting or all lowercase formatting.
- Do not put a comma between first and middle names.
- Abbreviations, such as middle names, S, N, Dr, Ave, St, and Apt, require a period after them.
- Do not put a comma between house number and street. Apartment numbers are last in street addresses.

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## Section 2: Degree Information

| Degree Information                                                                        |                              |                              |                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Degree Sought, e.g., MBA                                                                  | Major                        | Concentration, if applicable |                                                       |
| Means of satisfying Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement: Course Prefix, Catalog No. |                              |                              |                                                       |
| University where taken                                                                    | Semester/Year GWAR Completed | <input type="checkbox"/> A   | <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C |

- 1) Enter Degree Sought: MS, not M.S
- 2) Enter Major: Electrical Engineering
- 3) Enter Concentration (enter your specialization; acronym is okay)
- 4) Enter GWAR Course Prefix, Catalog No: EE 295 (or ENGR 200W)
- 5) Enter University where taken: SJSU
- 6) Enter Semester/Year GWAR Completed (Example: Fall 2020)
- 7) Check box A if you do thesis, otherwise check box B

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## Section 3: Proposed Graduate Degree Program (A. Courses)

| Proposed Graduate Degree Program                                                                                                                      |       |          |       |                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------|-------------------------|
| A. Courses (include all SJSU courses taken and those that will be taken for degree credit; leave Grade section blank for current and future classes.) |       |          |       |                         |
| Course Prefix/No.                                                                                                                                     | Title | Semester | Units | Grade                   |
|                                                                                                                                                       |       |          |       | Semester/Year Completed |
|                                                                                                                                                       |       |          |       |                         |
|                                                                                                                                                       |       |          |       |                         |
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### Do **NOT** include any of the following classes in this 3.A section

- Any undergraduate EE courses or non-EE classes except those for which permission granted by Graduate Advisor for being counted toward MSEE degree requirements
- Any admission prerequisite classes, EE 298, EE 298i (these classes are not counted toward MSEE degree requirement)
- EE 297B or EE 299B (will be entered in section 3.B)
- Open University or transferred classes (will be entered in section 3.C if any)

Repeated classes should be entered on one line with both grades and semesters included (example: C-/B and F19/S20)

For each graduate course you will use for graduation, enter in the order you took them:

- Course Prefix/No. (example: EE 250)
- Title: (Enter exact official title from university catalog. Capitalize properly (example: Probabilities, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes). Catalog is at <https://catalog.sjsu.edu/>)
- Semester Units (example: 3)
- Grade (example: A)
- Semester/Year Completed (examples: S09, Sum09, F10)

### **DO include**

- Future courses you will need to take
- Example: EE 299A or EE 297A

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## Section 3: Proposed Graduate Degree Program (B. Culminating Experience)

### B. Culminating Experience

Check box if applicable and then fill out corresponding row

|                                                                                                   | Course Prefix/Catalog No. (e.g., MAS 203) | Total Units | Grade | Semester/Year Completed |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 299 Thesis (Plan A)/Creative Work (Plan C)                               |                                           |             |       |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Last completed project or comprehensive exam-preparation course (plan B) |                                           |             |       |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Culminating Experiences                                            | Type                                      |             |       | Semester/Year Completed |
|                                                                                                   | 1) Other culminating experience           |             |       |                         |
|                                                                                                   | 2) Other culminating experience           |             |       |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 599 Dissertation                                                         | Course Prefix/Catalog No. (e.g., MAS 203) | Total Units | Grade | Semester/Year Completed |
|                                                                                                   |                                           |             |       |                         |

### If you take thesis option:

- Check the “299 Thesis (Plan A)” box
- Enter EE 299B information in the first row table

### If you take project option:

- Check the “Last completed project or comprehensive exam-..... (plan B)” box
- Enter EE 297B information in the second row table

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## Section 3: Proposed Graduate Degree Program (C. Transfer Courses)

| C. Transfer Courses  |                   |       |                |       |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------|----------------|-------|-------------------------|
| University           | Course Prefix/No. | Title | Semester Units | Grade | Semester/Year Completed |
|                      |                   |       |                |       |                         |
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |                |       |                         |
|                      |                   |       |                |       |                         |
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |                |       |                         |
|                      |                   |       |                |       |                         |
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |                |       |                         |

Transfer courses are courses you will use for graduation as part of the degree program that can be:

- Courses you completed at other universities and they **were approved by the GAPE form “Request for Validation of Transfer Credit”**
- Graduate-level EE courses at SJSU that you completed as an open university student or during your undergraduate program at SJSU and the courses **are NOT used for undergraduate (BSEE) degree**



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## Section 3: Proposed Graduate Degree Program (Units)

|       | Units |
|-------|-------|
| A     |       |
| B     |       |
| C     |       |
| Total |       |

Enter the total course units from each category in Section 3:

A. Courses

B. Culminating Experience

C. Transfer Courses

The total course units should be exactly 33.

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## Section 4: Required Signatures

| Required Signatures                                                       |                                      |      |                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|
| Student                                                                   | <small>(with name)</small>           | Date | For Official Use Only |
| <small>Signature (certifies accuracy of the information provided)</small> |                                      |      |                       |
| <small>The signatures below indicate approval.</small>                    |                                      |      |                       |
| Project or Thesis Advisor (if required by your department)                |                                      |      |                       |
| Name                                                                      | Signature <small>(with name)</small> | Date |                       |
| Department Grad Advisor (Grad Coordinator)                                |                                      |      |                       |
| Name                                                                      | Signature <small>(with name)</small> | Date |                       |
| GAPE Evaluator                                                            |                                      |      |                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approved                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Denied      | Name | Date                  |

- If you have Adobe Acrobat, you can provide a digital signature, otherwise, type your name in the signature field and enter the date in the date field.
- The project or thesis advisor name and signature are not required by the EE Department. Do not enter anything here (leave it blank).
- Email the completed form to Electrical Engineering Graduate Advisor for approval (signature). The Graduate Advisor will sign the form and return it to you for submission
- Submit the approved form to a GAPE Evaluator. You can find the GAPE Evaluator for MSEE program on the GAPE website at <https://www.sjsu.edu/gape/connect/advisor-and-evaluator.php>

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Last Name

Doe

First Name

John

Student ID

012345678

Previous Name (if any)

Current Address

123 999th Street Apt. #99

City

San Jose

State

CA

Zip

95112

Daytime Phone

(408) 123-4567

Email Address

john.doe@sjsu.edu

Degree Information

Degree Sought, e.g., MBA

MS

Major

Electrical Engineering

Concentration, if applicable

ASIC/VLSI

Means of satisfying Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement: Course Prefix, Catalog No.

EE 295

University where taken

SJSU

Semester/Year GWAR Completed

S20

☐ A

☒ B

☐ C

Proposed Graduate Degree Program

A. Courses (include all SJSU courses taken and those that will be taken for degree credit; leave Grade section blank for current and future classes.)

| Course Prefix/No. | Title                                     | Semester | Units | Grade | Semester/Year Completed |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| EE 210            | Linear System Theory                      |          | 3     | A+    | S20                     |
| EE 221            | Semiconductor Devices I                   |          | 3     | A     | S20                     |
| EE 295            | Technical Writing - Engineering Ethics    |          | 3     | A     | S20                     |
| EE 271            | Digital System Design and Synthesis       |          | 3     | A-    | F20                     |
| EE 257            | Machine Learning for Electrical Engineers |          | 3     | A-    | F20                     |
| EE 273            | Logic Verification with UVM               |          | 3     | A     | F20                     |
| EE 272            | SoC Design & Verif. with System Verilog   |          | 3     | A     | S21                     |
| EE 287            | ASIC CMOS design                          |          | 3     | A     | S21                     |
| EE 297A           | MSEE Project Proposal                     |          | 3     | CR    | S21                     |
| EE 225            | Introduction to Quantum Computing         |          | 3     |       | F21                     |
|                   |                                           |          |       |       |                         |
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|                   |                                           |          |       |       |                         |
|                   |                                           |          |       |       |                         |

B. Culminating Experience

Check box if applicable and then fill out corresponding row

☐ 299 Thesis (Plan A)/Creative Work (Plan C)

Course Prefix/Catalog No. (e.g., MAS 203)

Total Units

Grade

Semester/Year Completed

☒ Last completed project or comprehensive exam-preparation course (plan B)

Course Prefix/Catalog No. (e.g., MAS 203)

EE 297B

Total Units

3

Grade

Semester/Year Completed

F21

☐ Other Culminating Experiences

Type

Semester/Year Completed

1) Other culminating experience

2) Other culminating experience

☐ 599 Dissertation

Course Prefix/Catalog No. (e.g., MAS 203)

Total Units

Grade

Semester/Year Completed

C. Transfer Courses

| University           | Course Prefix/No. | Title | Semester | Units | Grade | Semester/Year Completed |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |          |       |       |                         |
|                      |                   |       |          |       |       |                         |
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |          |       |       |                         |
|                      |                   |       |          |       |       |                         |
| Sub. for SJSU Course |                   |       |          |       |       |                         |

Units

A

30

B

3

C

Total

33

Required Signatures

# Completing the Candidacy Form, the Final Steps

A completed form provided by GAPE is the only acceptable submission format. Do not submit pictures or scans.

A completed sample of Petition for Advancement to Graduate Candidacy form is shown on the left.