

San Jose State University – College of Engineering

# Engineering Graduate Welcome

*Congratulations on your admission!*



# Introductions



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## 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: <a href="mailto:nikos.mourtos@sjsu.edu">nikos.mourtos@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Artificial Intelligence (Regular session)	May 19, 2026, from 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM (virtual) May 28, 2026, from 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM
MS Biomedical Engineering	Wednesday, August 13, 2026, at 5:00 PM via Zoom (virtual)
MS Chemical and Materials Engineering	Wednesday, August 12, from 5-6 PM (tentatively) via Zoom (virtual)
MS Civil Engineering	August 18, 2026, 5 PM (virtual)
MS Computer Engineering	Email: <a href="mailto:kaikai.liu@sjsu.edu">kaikai.liu@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Electrical Engineering	July 23, 2026, at 6 PM (virtual)
MS Human Factors/Ergonomics	August 17, 2026, 5–7 PM (in person)

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MS Engineering Technology	Email: <a href="mailto:armin.moghadam@sjsu.edu">armin.moghadam@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Interdisciplinary Engineering (Regular session)	Mid June, TBD Email: <a href="mailto:ahmed.hambaba@sjsu.edu">ahmed.hambaba@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Industrial and Systems Engineering MS Industrial and Systems Engineering, Operational Analytics	Email: <a href="mailto:ayca.erdogan@sjsu.edu">ayca.erdogan@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Engineering Management	Tuesday, July 7, 2026, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM (virtual)
MS Mechanical Engineering	June 12, 6-7 PM (virtual) August 18, 6-7 PM (in person)
MS Quantum Technology	Thursday, August 13, 2026, 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM (virtual) Website <a href="https://sjsu.edu/quantum">sjsu.edu/quantum</a> Email: <a href="mailto:hilary.hurst@sjsu.edu">hilary.hurst@sjsu.edu</a>
MS Software Engineering (Regular session)	Wednesday, May 27, 2026 from 6 PM -8 PM by Zoom (virtual)

# 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 August 5th 2026 and August 11th 2026 via their link (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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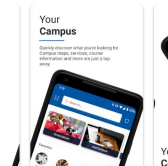


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# On-Campus Job Opportunities



- **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/A7tQHZ13UGhhRUEM7>

## 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.



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

# Ready for Questions? Join Breakout Rooms

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Breakout Rooms after 5 minute break

# THANK YOU

Questions? Contact us at [graduate-engineering@sjsu.edu](mailto:graduate-engineering@sjsu.edu)

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

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