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RESEARCH FOCUS AREAS

- Dynamics and Control
- Fluid Dynamics
- Solid Mechanics
- Thermosciences

DEGREES

- PhD Mechanical Engineering
- MS Mechanical Engineering
(online option)
- ME Robotics and Automation

TOP 30%

mechanical engineering
graduate programs
(U.S. News & World Report 2022)



“ I’ve worked in Spain, Germany and Mexico, and the tools we have at the University of Arizona are absolutely incredible – the best tools, technology and interaction with professors. ”

- Christian Davila-Peralta, PhD student



FUNDING OPTIONS
THROUGHOUT DEGREE
LIFECYCLE

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Fall: January 1
- Spring: June 1

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COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Aerospace &
Mechanical Engineering

“ Having these researchers, pillars in their fields, under the same roof gives our department an edge in being able to bridge gaps in knowledge and best prepare our faculty and students to solve problems. ”

- Alex Craig, assistant professor

Faculty Expertise

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discovery and synthesis of advanced functional materials • energy storage materials and devices (batteries and supercapacitors) • synthesis and characterization of MXenes and other 2D materials • advanced manufacturing of energy storage devices, sensors, and membranes

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spacecraft GNC • astrodynamics • nonlinear dynamics, vibration and control • stability, control and estimation in periodic, delayed and fractional systems

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aerodynamics • stability and laminar turbulent transition of supersonic and hypersonic boundary layers • experimental fluid mechanics • hydrodynamic stability

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dynamics of charged particles and macro-ions • control of processes driven by electrostatic forces • neural-network-based self-learning methods for control of human-machine interfaces

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computational fluid dynamics • hydrodynamic stability • laminar turbulent transition • turbulent flows • hypersonic flows • flow control • nonlinear dynamics • aerodynamics • UAVs • flight experiments • autonomous flight

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thermal sciences • laser-based diagnostics • renewable energy • combustion • biophotonics • laser-material interactions • plasma-material interactions

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hypersonics • nonequilibrium flows • molecular gas dynamics • computational fluid dynamics • low-temperature plasmas • rarefied gas and optimization

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heat transport inside lithium-ion batteries • high-power electronics • thermal insulation materials • thermoelectrics • measurement & applications of graphene and other two-dimensional materials

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materials design • human-centered design • mechanical behavior of materials • multi-functional materials • failure analysis • fatigue • thermo-mechanical properties • biomaterials design and characterization

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experimental fluid dynamics • hydrodynamic instabilities, including Richtmyer Meshkov and Rayleigh-Taylor instabilities • turbulent mixing

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autonomy • decision-making under uncertainty • path-planning • information-limited control • information-theoretic abstraction • representations for autonomous systems • artificial intelligence • optimization, inference and estimation

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renewable energy • heat mass transfer in gas turbines and HVACR systems • electrolyzers • energy-water nexus • fuel cells • hydrogen storage and generation • energy and power systems

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prediction of deformation and failure modes in metallic and composite materials • characterization of mechanical properties of materials

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turbulent reacting flow • plasma flow • electrostatic atomization • solid ion batteries • computational methods • machine learning applications

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design optimization • probabilistic design, reliability and risk assessment • vibrations • advanced finite element modeling

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reactive flows • re-entry flows • plasma-assisted combustion • plasma-based fuel reforming • plasma aerodynamics • computational fluid dynamics • scramjets • lightning

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decision-making under uncertainty • human-robotic interaction • swarm robotics • system autonomy • UAS traffic management • intelligent transportation • formal specification and verification • finite-state abstraction of dynamical systems

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aerodynamics related to fixed-wing and rotary aircraft • control of separation • high-lift devices • drag reduction • aeroacoustics, particularly jet noise, cavity noise and screech

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multi-physics modeling and machine learning calculation of energy storage and conversion technologies • ab-initio density functional theory calculations • phase-field modeling • thermal measurements of rechargeable batteries • thermal runaway assessment in electric vehicles

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micromechanics of composites • structural composites in extreme environments • low velocity impact of composites • PDE-constrained optimization with applications to mechanics • contact mechanics

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