

# MASTER OF INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION IN INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION

The College of Engineering offers a graduate program leading to the degree of Master of Industrial Distribution (MID). Enrollment in MID classes is restricted to students who have been admitted to the MID program. The program of study has been designed for individuals within both manufacturing and industrial distribution companies.

The MID degree is a non-thesis degree for which a final oral examination is not required. New students are admitted in the fall semester only.

This program is also approved for delivery via asynchronous distance education technology.

For more information, please see the Master of Industrial Distribution webpage (<http://id.tamu.edu/graduate/mid-program/program-overview/>).

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### Student's Advisory Committee

After receiving admission to graduate studies and enrolling for coursework, the student will consult with the MID Program Office concerning program structure and requirements. The MID student's "committee" consists of the Director of the MID Program Office. The Director has the responsibility for counseling the student on academic matters, and, in the case of academic deficiency, initiating recommendations to the Graduate and Professional School.

### Degree Plan

The degree plan must be completed and filed with the Graduate and Professional School prior to the deadline imposed by the student's college or by dates announced in the Graduate and Professional School calendar.

This proposed degree plan should be submitted through the online Document Processing Submission System located on the website <http://ogsdps.tamu.edu>.

Additional coursework may be added to the approved degree plan by petition if it is deemed necessary by the MID Program Director to correct deficiencies in the student's academic preparation. No changes can be made to the degree plan once the student's Request for Final Examination or Request for Final Examination Exemption is approved by the Graduate and Professional School.

### Credit Requirement

A minimum of 30 semester credit hours of approved courses is required for the Master of Industrial Distribution degree.

### Transfer of Credit

No transfer of credit is allowed for the Master of Industrial Distribution degree.

### Limitations on the Use of Transfer, Extension, and Certain Other Courses

1. No transfer credit is allowed.
2. A maximum of 12 credit hours of 685 (Directed Studies) may be used with the approval of the MID Program Director.
3. A zero credit 684 or 685 course is only allowed for non-thesis option master's students. A zero credit 681 course can be used for either thesis or non-thesis option master's students. Other courses, including 691 (Research) hours, are not eligible for zero credit.
4. A maximum of 3 hours of 693 (Professional Study) may be used with the approval of the MID Program Director.
5. Extension courses are not acceptable for credit.
6. For non-distance degree programs, no more than 50 percent of the non-research courseworks required for the program may be completed through distance education courses.
7. To receive a graduate degree from Texas A&M University, students must earn one-third or more of the credits through the institution's own direct instruction. This limitation also applies to joint degree programs.

Exceptions will be permitted only in unusual cases and when petitioned by the student's program and approved by the Director of the Master of Industrial Distribution Program and the Graduate and Professional School.

### Final Examination

A final oral examination is not required for the Master of Industrial Distribution degree. Except as noted above, the requirements for the degree of Master of Industrial Distribution are identical with those for the degree of Master of Science.

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### Residence

Students who are employed full-time while completing their degree may fulfill total residence requirements by completion of less-than-full time course loads each semester. In order to be considered for this, the student is required to submit a Petition for Waivers and Exceptions along with verification of his/her employment to the Graduate and Professional School.

See Residence Requirements (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/academic-expectations-general-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext>).

### **Time Limit**

All degree requirements must be completed within a period of seven consecutive years for the degree to be granted. A course will be considered valid until seven years after the end of the semester in which it was taken. Graduate credit for coursework which is more than seven calendar years old may not be used to satisfy degree requirements.

### **Scholastic Requirements**

To maintain good academic standing, an MID student must maintain a minimum cumulative 3.000 GPA each semester. If a student fails to attain a cumulative 3.000 GPA, he or she is placed on academic probation. A student on academic probation must raise his/her cumulative GPA to 3.000 or above by the end of the next 6 hours of coursework. If this requirement is not met, the MID Program Director will recommend that the Graduate and Professional School block the student from further enrollment. If a student is blocked from further enrollment in the MID program, he or she shall not be permitted to enroll in other MID courses.

An MID student must attain a minimum cumulative of 3.000 GPA on MID core courses.

### **Foreign Languages**

A foreign language is not required for the Master of Industrial Distribution degree.

### **Application for Degree**

For information on applying for your degree, please visit the Graduation (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/academic-expectations-general-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext>) section.