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MSE ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	SUBJECT Elective Course Policy		
<p>BACKGROUND</p> <p>MSE graduate students are required to complete courses from a list of Elective Courses or “approved electives from Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, or other departments.” This policy establishes the mechanism for approval of such electives.</p> <p>PROCEDURES</p> <p>Approval is required from the student's thesis Advisor for a course not on the list of Elective Courses to count towards a student's Elective Course requirement. For Masters students without a thesis advisor, the Graduate Director serves as Advisor in this regard.</p> <p>The Advisor should provide a brief justification of the selection of the course for Elective Course credit, prior to or concurrently with enrollment in the course. This should be emailed to the Graduate Director and to the Degree Plan Evaluator responsible for graduate advising, who will include it in the student's file. The Graduate Director may request additional information. For Masters students without a thesis advisor, the approval must come from the Curriculum Committee chair.</p>			