WHAT IS THE INTEGRATED LEARNING ENGINEERING (ILE) PROGRAM?

Since 2008, the University of the Sunshine Coast has been offering engineering programs to undergraduate students. Through a project funded by the Federal Government, known as the Engineering Project, it was identified that there is a significant shortage of appropriately skilled engineers within the Sunshine Coast region. As part of the Engineering Project, the Integrated Learning Engineering (ILE) program was developed and successfully delivered during 2009. Since then, the program has been expanded to enable students from across the Sunshine Coast, Gympie, Caboolture and Redcliffe to access ILE at a number of centres.

How does ILE work?

The ILE program is a unique opportunity for students, as University is 'brought to them'. An Engineering lecture and tutorial will occur at the local centre once a week to deliver course content. Starting with the first year University course ENG101 Engineering Professional Practice, students are provided the opportunity to not only gain credits towards their QCE, but also gain academic credit towards an engineering degree at the University of the Sunshine Coast. Successful completion of ENG101 will give students the opportunity to study a second university subject in semester 2, SET111 Environment, Technology and Sustainability. Successful completion of these two USC courses gives a student guaranteed entry into the Bachelor of Civil or Mechanical Engineering at USC (provided the student also meets the English and Maths B pre-requisites).

Eligibility

Acceptance into the ILE program includes:

- Minimum C+ grade for Year 10 English
- Minimum B average for all other subjects
- Students are expected to complete the application form and submit it via their school ILE Coordinator.

Costs

The cost of the ILE program is heavily subsidised and so, ILE students have significantly reduced fees that must be paid at the beginning of each semester. For the current fee, please contact your school’s ILE Coordinator or visit the ILE page on the USC website. The ILE program does not incur any other costs such as textbooks.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

For more information about the ILE program, please do not hesitate to contact:

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*Please note: Acceptance into the ILE program is also dependent upon sign off by the relevant Head of Department from the student’s school.