

# Engineering Career Cluster

The Engineering career cluster focuses on planning, designing, testing, building, and maintaining of machines, structures, materials, systems, and processes using empirical evidence and science, technology, and math principles. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from mechanical engineer and drafter to electrical engineer and to mapping technician.

## Regional Program of Study: Geospatial Engineering and Land Surveying Approved in ESC Regions 2, 4, 10, 11, 13, and 20

*\*The list of approved ESC regions is updated every school year. Be sure to check the CTE regional program of study website for updates.*

The Geospatial Engineering and Land Surveying regional program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with surveying, automated computer aided drafting, geographical information systems and raster-based geographic information systems. This program of study includes the exploration of remote sensing, geoscience, and mapping.



### Secondary Courses for High School Credit

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| <b>Level 1</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principles of Applied Engineering</li> <li>Principles of Architecture</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Level 2</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geographic Information Systems (GIS)</li> <li>Raster Based Geographic Information Systems</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Level 3</b> |   |
| <b>Level 4</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone</li> <li>Practicum in Engineering</li> <li>Practicum in Engineering + Extended Practicum in Engineering</li> <li>Career Preparation for Programs of Study</li> <li>Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career Preparation</li> <li>Scientific Research and Design</li> </ul> |

### Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

<b>Work-Based Learning Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intern as a surveyor to learn how to prepare plots, maps, and reports</li> <li>Shadow a geographic information system (GIS) analyst on a field project</li> <li>Execute a mapping project for a local company or community organization</li> </ul>
<b>Expanded Learning Opportunities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in SkillsUSA or TSA</li> <li>Participate in ArcGIS Online School Competition</li> </ul>

### Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Engineering Technology Foundations
- LEED Green Associate
- Pre-Engineering/Engineering Technology - Job Ready



### Example Postsecondary Opportunities

#### Apprenticeships

- Surveyor Instrument Apprentice

#### Associate Degrees

- Geographic Information Science and Cartography
- Surveying Technology/Surveying

#### Bachelor's Degrees

- Geographic Information Science and Cartography
- Surveying Engineering

#### Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Geology/Earth Science, General
- Surveying Engineering

#### Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Registered Professional Land Surveyor RPLS
- GISCI-GISP Certified GIS Professional



### Example Aligned Occupations

#### Surveying and Mapping Technicians

Median Wage: \$48,203  
Annual Openings: 1,325  
10-Year Growth: 18%

#### Surveyors

Median Wage: \$60,299  
Annual Openings: 462  
10-Year Growth: 13%

#### Cartographers and Photogrammetrists

Median Wage: \$68,350  
Annual Openings: 158  
10-Year Growth: 16%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.



For more information visit:  
<https://tea.texas.gov/academics/college-career-and-military-prep/career-and-technical-education/eng-geospatial-engineering-and-land-surveying-extended.pdf>

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## Regional Program of Study: Geospatial Engineering and Land Surveying

### Course Information

Level 1		Course	Prerequisites   Corequisites	Career Clusters
		<b>Principles of Applied Engineering*</b> 13036200 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	  
		<b>Principles of Architecture</b> 13004210 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	 
Level 2		Course	Prerequisites   Corequisites	Career Clusters
		<b>Geographic Information Systems (GIS)*</b> 13027545 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> Principles of Arts, Audio/Video Technology, and Communications, Principles of Information Technology, Physics for Engineers, or Principles of Applied Engineering <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	 
		<b>Raster-Based Geographic Information Systems</b> 13027550 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> Geographic Information Systems <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	  
Level 3		Course	Prerequisites   Corequisites	Career Clusters
Level 4		Course	Prerequisites   Corequisites	Career Clusters
		<b>Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone*</b> First Time Taken: 12701101 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	         

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\* Indicates course is included in more than one program of study in this career cluster.

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### Course Information

Level 4

Course	Prerequisites   Corequisites	Career Clusters
<b>Practicum in Engineering*</b> First Time Taken: 12756080 (2 credits) Second Time Taken: 12756090 (2 credits)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> Algebra I and Geometry and a minimum of two credits with at least one course in a Level 2 or higher course from the Engineering career cluster <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	
<b>Practicum in Engineering + Extended Practicum in Engineering*</b> First Time Taken: 12756085 (3 credits) Second Time Taken: 12756095 (3 credits)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> Algebra I and Geometry and a minimum of two credits with at least one course in a Level 2 or higher course from the Engineering career cluster <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	
<b>Career Preparation for Programs of Study*</b> First Time Taken: 12701121 (2 credits)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	
<b>Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career Preparation*</b> First Time Taken: 12701141 (3 credits)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	
<b>Scientific Research and Design*</b> 13037200 (1 credit)	<b>Prerequisites:</b> Biology, and one credit of the following: Physics for Engineering, chemistry, Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC), or physics <b>Corequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Prerequisites:</b> None <b>Recommended Corequisites:</b> None	

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