



General Description of Master's Program

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| Master's program | مهندسی مکانیک بیوسیستم Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering |
| Specialization | گرایش طراحی و ساخت (بهبوده شده برای آگرومکانیک) Design and Construction (Modified for the Agro-Mechatronics) |
| Institution(s) | دانشگاه علوم کشاورزی و منابع طبیعی ساری Sari Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources University (SANRU) |
| Accreditation organization(s) | Ministry of Science, Research and Technology of Iran (MSRT) (http://msrt.ac.ir) |
| Period of reference | Program completed within 2 years, starting in September 23, 2018 |
| Responsible person | Assoc. Prof. Dr. _Ing. Davood Kalantari |
| Qualification awarded | Master of Science (M. Sc.) |
| Length of program | 2 years |
| Number of credits | 32(+6) Iranian-credits equal to 126.5 ECTS |
| Cycle/Level of qualification | QF for EHEA: Second Cycle; EQF level 7; NQF for Iran: Master of Science(M.Sc) |
| Fields of study | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design, construction and developments of new intelligent agricultural machines, Robots and systems, Implementation of the existing intelligent agricultural equipment, Implementation of the Robots and intelligent systems in Greenhouses, |
| Specific admission requirements | <p>1: Entrance examinations: Enrollment in the national examination managed by the Ministry of Science, Research and Technology of Iran (MSRT) for Master's program and obtaining a minimum required scores,</p> <p>A B.Sc certificate from a distinguished university or equivalent higher education systems inside Iran or abroad in the field of Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering, Mechanical Engineering. Every certificate for completion of undergraduate studies must contain the following disciplines: Basic Mathematics, Basic Physics, courses related to Basic Mechanical Engineering including Statics, Dynamics, Strength of Materials, and Design of Machine Elements, Design of Agricultural Machinery, Electrical engineering, and English language.</p> <p>The following set of documents must be submitted to the Admissions Committee of the university working under supervision of the Higher Educational Deputy of the University: Copy of Bachelor certificate, 2 photos 3x4 cm.</p> |
| Specific arrangements for recognition of prior learning | Specific examining the knowledge of applicants in different disciplines is performed on the national entrance exam. Disciplines include: Mathematics, Basic Mechanical Engineering (Statics, Dynamics, Strength of Materials), Design of Agricultural Machinery, Engine Technology, |
| Qualification requirements and regulations | Bachelor's degree (B.Sc) |
| Mode of study | Full-time educational system, |
| Examination regulations, assessment and grading | Written examinations with/without Project for each course, Completion and Defense of the master's thesis at the end of M.Sc program, examined by a scientific committee established from academic staffs of the related subject from department and employers |
| Obligatory or optional mobility window | <p>There is no obligatory point in studying "Mechanics of Biosystems engineering", but students are encouraged to do practical thesis rather than a theoretical approach to solve a technical problem related to agriculture and Biosystems. The thesis is also possible to jointly handle with the industry. General mobility from one university to another is possible with the consent of both origin and destination universities. However completing and performing the thesis at another university or other institution is possible with official permission of the supervisor.</p> <p>It is possible for student to take a Semester in another University inside the country</p> |



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| | <i>or abroad.</i> |
| <i>Work placement(s) if applicable</i> | <i>Khazar Electric industrial Company, Badeleh Agricultural Machinery Manufacturing Company, Kapic Research Centre for agricultural Machinery and equipment,</i> |
| <i>Occupational profiles of graduates</i> | <p><i>After successfully completing the master's degree, candidates will be able to move directly into the professional field as an engineer in a range of capacities. The program qualifies for work in different agricultural-based industry and business, and has direct relevance to agricultural equipment manufacturing, food processing or related industrial fields. However, job opportunities are not limited to such activities. Other prospective employers include: food producers and distribution companies, consulting companies, off-shore industry, biomaterials transportation companies and the public sector.</i></p> <p><i>Possible posts: Technical Director of Agricultural Machinery and Equipment Manufacturing Companies, Technical and Production Director of Food Industry, Technical Director of Smart Greenhouses, Technical Director of intelligent and mechanized Farms, Technical Manager of Automatic Packing and Grading for Gardening Products, Member of a Designing Group related to Mechatronics and smart factories.</i></p> |
| <i>Access to further studies</i> | <i>The program qualifies candidates for a career in research, and Ph.D. studies related to the Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering or other fields of mechanical Engineering such as Mechatronics.</i> |

| Program Profile Statement | |
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| <p><i>The M.Sc in "Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering" is a 4 semester oriented program. During these two years of education, the engaged students will try to learn professional engineering skills to prepare themselves for a career in the rapidly-growing fields of Agricultural Engineering, Automation in Agriculture, Agro-Mechatronics, Robotics, Machine vision and intelligent systems in view of an integrated approach to agricultural engineering and technologies. Graduates have the ability not only to adapt quickly and to be flexible in dealing with a variety of tasks and problems from different technical fields, but also to communicate easily in English and successfully work as part of international team.</i></p> | |
| Program Learning Outcomes | |
| On completion of this program, students should be able to: | |
| L01 | Identify , formulate and solve problems related to Biosystems Engineering and Agro-Mechatronics |
| L02 | Investigate agro-mechatronics engineering problems using analytical, computational and experimental methods |
| L03 | Design and conduct engineering experiments to investigate a phenomenon |
| L04 | Evaluate the results of an experiment and its value for solving an agro-mechatronics engineering problem |
| L05 | Implement innovative methods or software in solving problems related to Biosystems Engineering and Agro-Mechatronics. |
| L06 | Negotiate with the specialists of electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, informatics and life science in developing or optimizing the Agro-Mechatronics devices and equipment |
| L07 | Manage effective teamwork practices in both intra-disciplinary and multidisciplinary teams |
| L08 | Communicate efficiently with abroad students, general public as well as contributions for scientific publications |



| The Program Module Structure | | | | |
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| Year 1 (Two semesters of 16 weeks) | | | | |
| Y: Year, S: Semester, C: Core Course, SC: Specified Compulsory Course, E: Elective Course, S: Seminar, MTh: Master Thesis | | | | |
| Each theoretical credit stands for 16 hour official teaching, Each practical credit stands for 32 hour official practical training. | | | | |
| Code | Title | Credits (Theory/Practical) | Classroom Attendance (min/week) | Equivalent ECTS |
| Y1.S1.C1 | Supplementary Engineering Mathematics | 2 | 120 | 4.6 |
| Y1.S1.SC1 | Advanced Instrumentation | 2+1 | 120/180 | 11.5 |
| Y1.S1.SC2 | Supplementary Finite Element Method | 3 | 180 | 6.9 |
| Y1.S1.E1 | Soil-Machine Interaction | 3 | 180 | 6.9 |
| | Total Credits for the first semester | 11 | 660 | 29.9 |
| Y1.S2.C2 | Research Methodology | 2 | 120 | 4.6 |
| Y1.S2.E2 | Mechatronics | 2 | 120 | 4.6 |
| Y1.S2.E3 | Mechanisms Design | 3 | 180 | 6.9 |
| Y1.S2.E4 | Computer Aided Design (Advanced) | 2+1 | 120/180 | 11.5 |
| Y1.S2.E5 | Advanced Internal Combustion Engines | 2 | 120 | 4.6 |
| | Total Credits for the second semester | 12 | 840 | 32.2 |
| | Total Credits for the first year of study | 23 | 1500 | 62.1 |
| Year 2 (One semester of 16 weeks, and 6 months for completion of Master Thesis) * The course is presented as an additional unit for matching the “Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering” with the new “Agro-mechatronics” discipline. e One of these course should be elected by the master students for matching the new Agro-mechatronics discipline with the Mechanics of Biosystems Engineering | | | | |
| Y2.S1.C3 | Experimental Engineering Analysis and Design | 2 | 120 | 4.6 |
| Y2.S1.E6 | Advanced Automatic Control * | 2+1 | 120/180 | 11.5 |
| Y2.S1.E7 | Machine Vision *e | 2+1 | 120/180 | 11.5 ^e |
| Y2.S1.E8 | Artificial Neural Networks*e | 3 | 180 | 6.9 ^e |
| Y2.S1.S | Seminar | 1 | 180 | 6.9 |
| Y2.S2.MTh | Master Thesis | 6 | 1080 | 41.4 |
| | Total Credits for the second year of study | 9(+6) | 1680 (+300 or 180) | 64.4(+11.5 or 6.9) |
| Total credits | | 32 (+6) | 2880(+300 or 180) | 126.5(+11.5 or 6.9) |



| Program Key Learning Outcomes Module Map | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Module | LO1 | LO2 | LO3 | LO4 | LO5 | LO6 | LO7 | LO8 |
| Year1 | Y1.S1.C1 | | * | | | * | | * | |
| | Y1.S1.SC1 | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| | Y1.S1.SC2 | * | * | | | * | * | * | * |
| | Y1.S1.E1 | * | * | * | * | * | | | * |
| | Y1.S2.C2 | * | | * | * | | | * | |
| | Y1.S2.E2 | * | | * | * | * | | | * |
| | Y1.S2.E3 | * | | * | | * | | | |
| | Y1.S2.E4 | * | * | | | * | * | | |
| | Y1.S2.E5 | * | | | | * | | | * |
| Year 2 | Y2.S1.C3 | * | | * | * | * | | * | |
| | Y2.S1.E6 | * | | | | * | * | * | |
| | Y2.S1.E7 | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| | Y2.S1.E8 | * | * | * | * | * | | | |
| | Y2.S1.S | * | | | | | * | | * |
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| | Y2.S2.MTh | * | * | * | * | * | * | | * |