To speed product development, a manufacturer must implement a video conferencing system capable of conveying high-definition, 3D images in real time from its engineering centers to its production partners.

To reach audiences, a media company must deploy programming across multiple platforms ranging from terrestrial transmitters to video game units to tablets and smartphones.

To protect its intel, a government agency must secure networks against increasingly sophisticated "unfriendlies" while enhancing access by a wide range of user devices.

Demand for quantum leaps in bandwidth in the face of technological limits in capacity. The need to enhance service by migrating apps and services to faster, smarter platforms, while meeting critical but conflicting requirements for accessibility and security. These are telecom challenges requiring breakthroughs on many fronts, driving demand for those with knowledge to innovate and skills to lead. This is the opportunity behind the master’s in telecommunications and network engineering at Lyle.

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Developed in consultation with industry partners, this 30-hour program makes on campus course materials available worldwide. Unique in its use of state-of-the-art simulation software, it allows students to design, optimize, and analyze real-world networks. The curriculum is designed with the flexibility for students to specialize in wireless networks, management, or software. Course content is presented by expert faculty with decades of experience in high-level engineering and management positions. Students also benefit from the expertise of guest lecturers drawn from industry partners, leading manufacturers, and service providers in the ‘Telecom Corridor’ of North Texas.

Other Specializations

1. Network Design
2. Software Engineering
3. Engineering Management
4. Wireless Networks

Academic Program

Thirty (30) credit hours (CH) of graduate courses from the following.

Satisfactory completion of all core curriculum (9 CH).
- Introduction to Telecommunications
- Network Protocols
- Switching and Routing

Satisfactory completion of seven elective courses (21CH).
- Advanced Network Design
- Advanced Topics in Wireless Communication
- Data Compression for Multimedia Applications
- Fiber Optic Telecommunications
- Intelligent Networks
- Internet Telephony
- Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)
- Network Analysis, Architecture, and Design
- Optical and DWDM Networks
- Switching and QoS Management in IP Networks
- Telecommunications Network Management
- Telecommunications Network Security
- Telecommunication Regulation
- Telecommunications Software Design
- Wireless, Cellular, and Personal Telecommunications
- Wireless Networks