TOP THINGS TO KNOW

Learning by doing. Our faculty shape the next generation of problem-solvers and engineering leaders, and we believe the best way for our students to learn engineering is by doing it.

Discovery through teamwork. In our research, we welcome collaboration and believe the greatest discoveries arise when we bring together bright people with diverse backgrounds and experiences.

Impact through leadership. In the spirit of the Wisconsin Idea, we believe that our people, knowledge and advances should benefit people’s lives throughout the world.

DEPARTMENT OF
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

SNAPSHOT

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

1080 UNDERGRADUATE

266 GRADUATE

DEGREES CONFERRED

173 UNDERGRADUATE

42 GRADUATE

NATIONAL PUBLIC RANKING
according to U.S. News & World Report

10th UNDERGRADUATE

9th GRADUATE
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**Degrees Offered**
- **BS**: Mechanical Engineering
- **MS**: Mechanical Engineering
- **PhD**: Mechanical Engineering

**Research Areas**
- Biomechanics
- Computational & Data-Driven Engineering
- Energy Systems
- Manufacturing
- Mechanics
- Robotics, Controls and Sensors

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