The Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering (CME) is part of the University of Alberta's Faculty of Engineering. Engineering has been taught at the U of A since it was founded in 1908. The first three graduates in Chemical Engineering graduated in 1928. In 1996, nine Materials faculty members joined the department, which resulted in the first Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering in Canada. To this day, the department continues to grow as one of the largest in North America.

CME is home to:

- Institute for Oil Sands Innovation
- Canadian Centre for Clean Coal/Carbon and Mineral Processing Technologies
- Canadian Centre for Welding and Joining
- The David and Joan Lynch School of Engineering Safety and Risk Management

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Computer Programming

**Years 2 and 3**
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Thermodynamics
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Reaction Engineering

**Year 4**
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Program/Complementary Electives
Engineering Safety and Risk
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Co-op Program

In the co-op program, students complement their academic studies with five four-month work terms of paid work experience. The academic requirements are the same as in the traditional program. In order to complete the work experience component, co-op students complete the last six academic terms over a four-year period so a degree with the cooperative program designation requires five years.

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Undergrad Research

As an engineering student at a research-intensive university like the U of A, you are at a distinct advantage. Engineering professors are not only dedicated teachers, they are world-leading researchers. Undergraduate engineering students have opportunities to take on research-based courses for credit.

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Scholarships

Engineering students have access to more than $1.5 million per year in scholarships for new and continuing studies including:

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- **Biomedical Option**: While retaining the core of chemical engineering, students will take courses specializing in biomedical sciences
- **Computer Process Control Option**: In addition to required chemical engineering courses, students will specialize in the control of chemical processes
- **Oil Sands Elective Stream**: In addition to required chemical engineering courses, students will take courses that deal with the extraction and upgrading of the oil sands

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Your Future

An undergraduate degree in chemical engineering prepares you for direct entry into the chemical engineering profession. Our graduates are equipped to compete with the best engineering graduates in the world for positions in industry and government, as well as in the top graduate schools anywhere.

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Careers In Chemical Engineering

- Reducing the cost of pharmaceuticals in order to make them affordable
- Engineering microbes to produce fuels, pharmaceuticals, and valuable chemicals
- Developing technologies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Designing processes to clean up oil sands tailings ponds
- Investigating fuel-cell technologies for use in zero-emission cars

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