## M.S. in Engineering Physics

## Introduction

The Master of Science in Engineering Physics degree program provides graduate-level education and training in space science and space systems engineering. The goal is to provide graduates with the skills that will allow them to make an immediate contribution to space-related industries or to proceed to doctoral studies in a wide variety of disciplines. This program's objectives are:

- Fundamental understanding of scientific and engineering approaches to conceiving and designing complex spacecraft systems.
- Development of the diverse set of research skills required to evolve the state of the art in the areas of space science and engineering.

The program specifically emphasizes scientific instrumentation, applied optics, remote sensing, spacecraft subsystems (power, attitude, and thermal control), and a wide variety of topics in space science and engineering.

This program is heavily research oriented, with a majority of the faculty in the Department of Physical Sciences actively involved in scholarly activities in the space sciences and engineering. The research areas include experimental programs with satellite systems, sounding rockets, ground-based remote-sensing experiments, and a parallel program of theoretical studies in the areas of space systems engineering, upper atmospheric physics, space physics, and plasma and magnetospheric physics.

Admissions Criteria