

SCHOLARLY PAPER



- Mandatory for all students who choose not to write a thesis
- Students can fulfill the ECE 797 Scholarly Paper requirement through an individual, course-based project:
 - in a **600 level or above** ECE course
 - worth at least **20% of the course grade**
 - a rigorous **written report** with substantial literature review
 - a short, professional **oral presentation** with visual aids

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**10
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- List of courses that can be used to satisfy the scholarly paper requirement available on the ECE website
- A successful scholarly paper recorded by awarding a satisfactory (S) grade for ECE 797 Scholarly Paper

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After completing 18 credit hours of graduate work, a student

- 1. Chooses** a 600-700 level course to fulfill his/her ECE 797 requirement
- 2. Registers for ECE 797** via Patriot Web by first requesting an override from the Academic Programs Coordinator, Ms. Patricia Sahs (psahs@gmu.edu), before the last day to add classes
- 3. Chooses a project topic** in consultation with the instructor
- 4. Submits a single ECE 797 Entry Form**, signed by the instructor and the student, to the Main Office by the end of the 5th week of classes in a given semester
- 5. Works** on a project individually
- 6. Submits written report** and gives short oral presentation
- 7. Asks the instructor to fill and sign the ECE 797 Evaluation Form**, and submits this form to the main ECE Office

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The paper and presentation must **follow accepted standards** for

- English
- Technical merit
- Literature analysis
- Citation of references
- GMU Honor Code

In order to pass, the student cannot receive an Unacceptable score for any evaluated outcome

Students are encouraged to sign for ECE 797 in their **last but one semester**, which guarantees at least two attempts