## **RAILROAD TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING (RTE)**

RTE 294: Research Project

1-12 Credits/Maximum of 12

Supervised student activities on research projects identified on an individual or small-group basis.

RTE 301: Railroad Industry Overview and Economic Regulation

3 Credits

This course explores the relationship between railroads and customers, competitors, and the political, regulatory, and economic environment.

Prerequisite: ECON 102; Concurrent: RTE 303

RTE 302: Railroad Track Location, Construction and Maintenance

3 Credits

Principles of railroad track location, alignment, elements and safety regulations.

Prerequisite: C E 310 , C E 336; Concurrent: C E 335, C E 360

RTE 303: Railroad Operation and Safety

3 Credits

Basics of rail operations, including the role of terminals and safety principles.

Concurrent: RTE 301

RTE 305: Railroad Communications and Signals

3 Credits

Principles of the separation of trains, including signals, interlocking, and communications.

Prerequisite: PHYS 212, CMPSC201 or CMPSC202; Concurrent: RTE 303

RTE 402: Railroad Operations Practicum

3 Credits

Practicum (lectures, supervised field work, laboratories) exploring practical problems in rail operations and safety.

Prerequisite: RTE 303, RTE 305

RTE 403: Railroad Track Practicum

3 Credits

Practicum (lectures, labs, supervised field experiences) exploring the construction and repair of track.

Prerequisite: RTE 302, C E 310; Concurrent: C E 333W, C E 335

RTE 404: Railroad Mechanical Practicum

3 Credits

Practicum (lectures, labs, supervised field experiences) examining the repair of locomotives and cars.

Prerequisite: RTE 303, PHYS 211, PHYS 212, EMCH213

RTE 406: Railroad Capstone Project

4 Credits

Capstone project to integrate course knowledge in a team-based project.

 $\mbox{Prerequisite:}$  C E 333W , RTE 305 , RTE 402 , RTE 403 , RTE 404 , C E 332 , 7th semester standing

RTE 495: Internship

1-18 Credits/Maximum of 18

Supervised off-campus, nongroup instruction including field experiences, practica, or internships. Written and oral critique of activity required.

RTE 496: Independent Studies

1-18 Credits/Maximum of 18

Creative projects, including research and design, that are supervised on an individual basis and that fall outside the scope of formal courses.

**RTE 497: Special Topics** 

1-9 Credits/Maximum of 9

Formal courses given infrequently to explore, in depth, a comparatively narrow subject that may be topical or of special interest.