

# Welcome Graduate Students !!

## Fall 2022

## What we plan to do today !!

1. Introduce myself and Robin
2. Introduce the graduate program
3. Introduce the graduate handbook
  - Area of Specialization
  - Program of Study
  - CPT
4. Do's and Don't's

## 1. Introduce myself : my modus operandi

- Where I am from
- Where I studied
- Where I worked
- What I do at SDSU

Research, Teaching, Grad Advisor, Education Director, Diversity

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Research Pitch: <http://sweta.sdsu.edu/>

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- Office Hours, Appointments, Emails, Phone Calls
  - Making your graduate school experience at SDSU smooth

## 1. Introduce Robin !!

- Woman behind the Show (or maybe in front of !!)

Office Location **E-426 D**

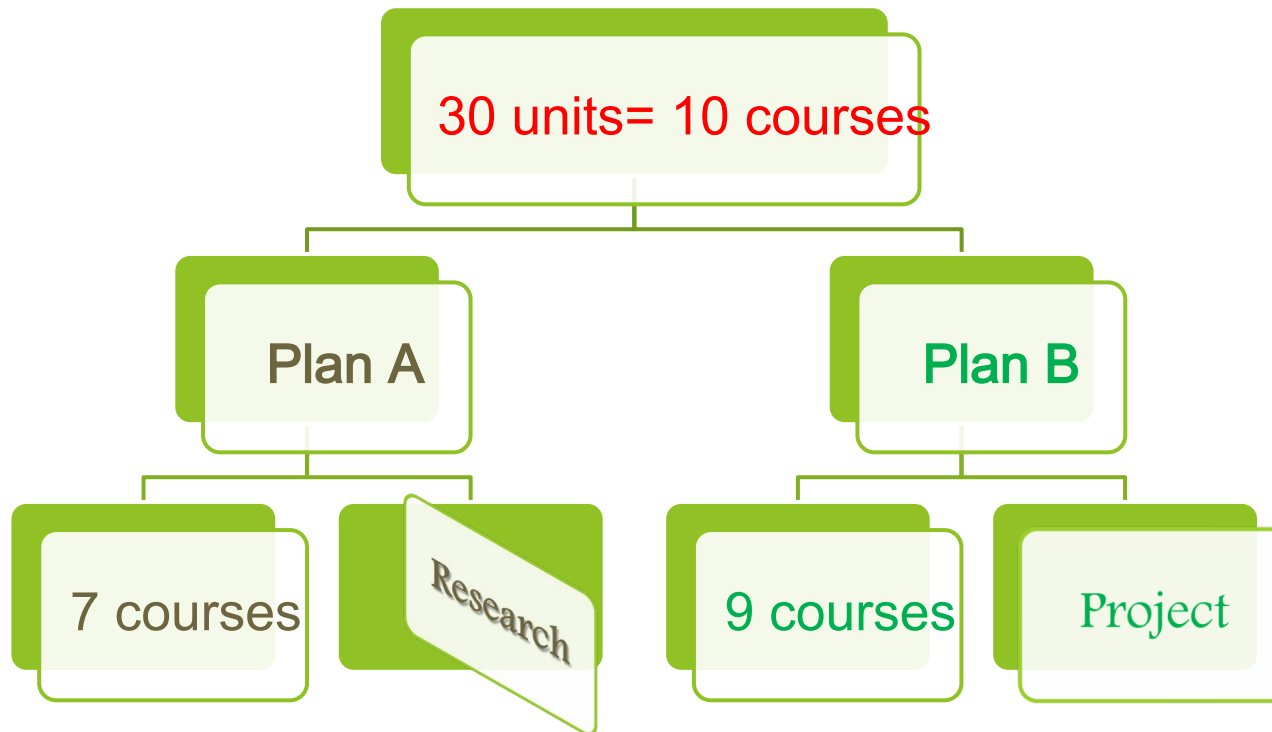
Appointments:

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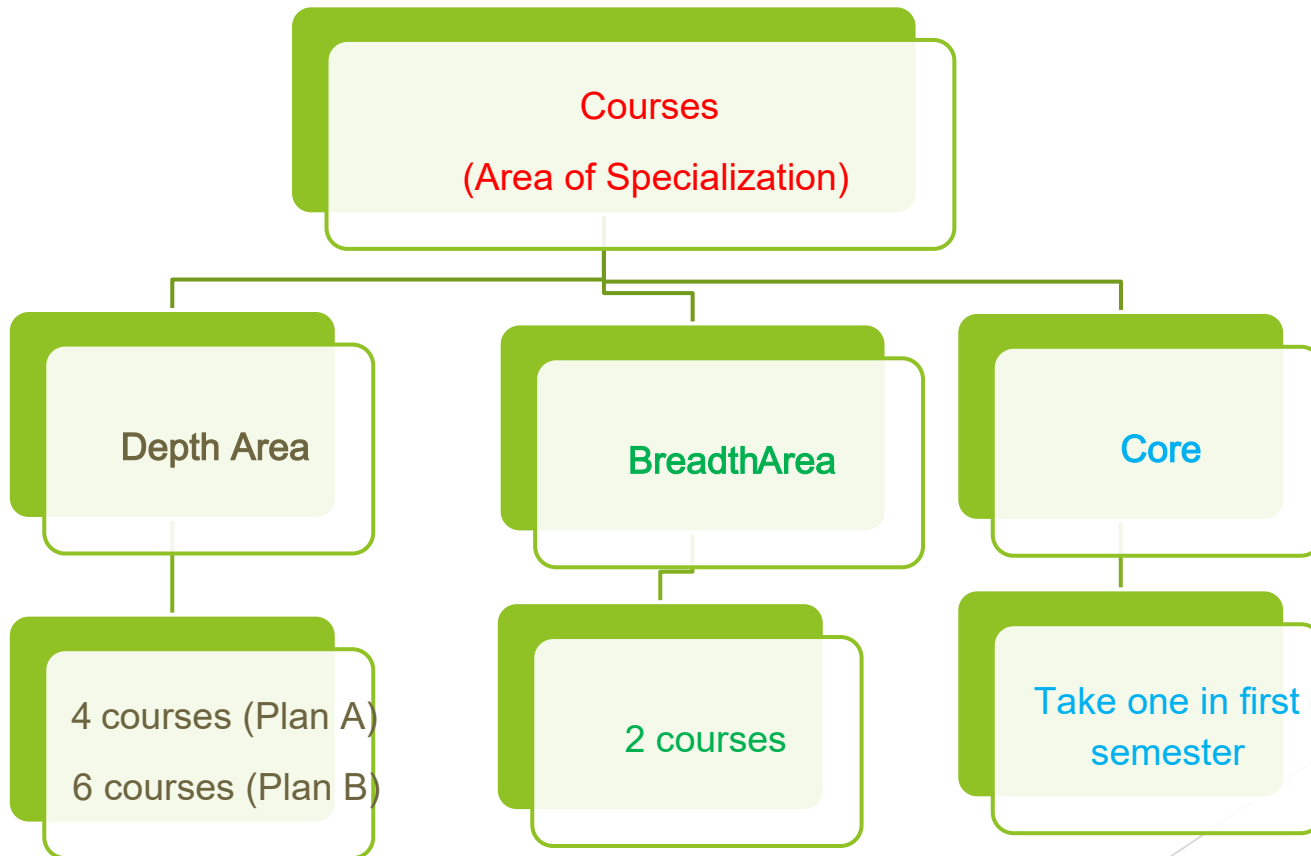
Phone Calls **619-594-0967**

Your Go To person for all things procedural !

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## Areas of Specialization

- **Communication Systems**
- **Computer Networks**
- **Digital Signal Processing**
- **Electromagnetic Systems**
- **Embedded Systems**
- **Energy Systems and Control**
- **VLSI**



# Procedural..

- ▶ Lets take a look at:
  - ▶ POS: Program of Study Forms
  - ▶ Graduate Program Handbook
  - ▶ Graduate Procedural Steps
  - ▶ What is expected of Plan A Research
  - ▶ What is expected of Plan B Project

## Program of Study (POS)

- The POS **MUST BE** submitted to the Graduate Advisor by the **beginning of the second semester !**
  - *If there is no POS on file, the courses already taken might not be approved to be included POS.*
  - *Submitting the POS on time will guarantee a smooth and eventless course of study and on time graduation.*

**No POS = NO CPT and NO EE797**

**No POS = NO Reduced Course Load**

## Curricular Practical Training (CPT)

- CPT is not your **RIGHT** it is a **PRIVILEGE** given to you.
- **MUST** have a minimum **GPA of 3.0** and have good academic standing.
- **MUST** have the **POS** on file.
- **MUST** have passed **18 units** for summer CPT.
- **MUST** have passed **27 units** for Plan B students to work **20 Hours/Week** in a semester.
- **MUST** have completed **21 units and 75% of the research** for Plan A students plus the written consent of the Thesis Advisor.

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- *Above rules to maximize your academic success*
  - *Too easy to be pulled into the lure of money **RESIST** the temptation*
  - *You'll be making 6figure salaries **VERY** soon !!!*

## 5. Do's and Don't's

### Do:

- Memorize the Graduate Handbook
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- Select courses wisely
  - ~ Pre-reqs before a course
  - ~ 500-level courses
  - ~ Outside department courses
  - ~ Reduced course load
  - ~ Plan your two years NOW!!!

Choose your advisor wisely  
Choose your area wisely

Study, Plan, Think, Immerse  
NO SUBSTITUTE TO HARD WORK !!

### **Don't:**

- Mess with your advisor
  - Believe everything that you hear
  - Chase money too soon
  - Party too hard
- (Grade Point Average for ALL courses taken at SDSU must be 3.0 or better (B average))

PROBATION No No

## TA and Grader Positions Available

<u>TA Positions:</u>	<u>Contact Professor</u>
CompE 160 Lab	Paolini
CompE 271 Recitation	Arnold
CompE 375 Lab	Aksanli
CompE 470 Lab	Arnold
EE 210 Recitation	Kaveh
EE 296 (EE 210 Lab)	Kavehh
EE 300 Recitation	Chung
EE 310 Recitation	Dorr
EE 330 Lab	Hakan
EE 430 Lab	Dorr
EE 458 Lab	Nagaraj

## Grader positions:

Almost every course grad and undergrad will need a grad  
250+ hours of grading positions. Please contact each  
individual instructor for available grader positions

## Contact:

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# Thank You & Questions ??

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