

CHBE Policy on Masters Degree Comprehensive Examinations

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The following table indicates whether or not a comprehensive examination is required for each of the Masters degrees awarded by the CHBE Department. When a comprehensive examination is required, the type of examination is also indicated.

Degree	Comp. Req'd?	Type of Exam	When Taken	% Coursework
MS CHE (Thesis)	YES	Oral Defense of Thesis	End of Program	(ignored)
MS CHE (Non-Thesis)	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A
ME CHE	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A
ME BioE	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A
MS EnvE (Thesis)	YES	Oral Defense of Thesis	End of Program	(ignored)
MS EnvE (Non-Thesis)	YES	Oral Defense of Prof Paper	When Paper is Complete	2/3 or more

Notes:

- For the MS CHE (Non-Thesis), the student's professional paper is reviewed by major advisor only (not full committee)
- The ME EnvE degree has not been established

While the Department policy is that a comprehensive examination is not required for the MS CHE (Non-Thesis), the student's major advisor may require the student to publically present and defend the professional paper.