# Please specify additional graduate skills preferences.

$ID \uparrow$	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	Practical experience not just theory. Communication skills to be able to explain the systems and what he needs others to do to ensure projects are a success
2	anonymous	Soft skills - being capable of working as a multi-disciplinary team
3	anonymous	I completed the Siemens mechatronics 1st certificate and would love to progress onwards
4	anonymous	n/a
5	anonymous	Process Control

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What do you identify as the biggest skills gaps between the knowledge of fresh engineering graduates and the needs of your industry?

ID ↑	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	Practical experience in the implementation of ideas into workable items/ projects
2	anonymous	There isn't so much a skills gap but more a retention problem with fresh graduates. I feel that they can become wrest-less very easy if not continually challenged and can get quickly fustrated with the bureaucracy in the industry.
3	anonymous	Use of software required in industry , e.g. Revit, AutoCad, Dialux, Amtech etc
4	anonymous	Maintenance - repetitive common failures are not really addressed
5	anonymous	Understanding the process of the Company. Every industry is different and with baking there would need to be an acceptance on how this works before integrating mechatronic engineering
6	anonymous	Practical knowledge and skills
7	anonymous	Programming



Would you be willing to be part of the Professional Advisory Board being setup for this programme at Queen's University Belfast?





Would your company be willing to participate in specialist teaching activities such as guest lectures and seminars?





Would your company be willing to participate in the supervision of student projects (jointly with an academic supervisor)?





Would your company be willing to facilitate industrial visits for Mechatronic Engineering students?





Would your company be willing to provide placement opportunities for students on the Mechatronics programme?





What types of job roles does your company have now, or have planned for the future, that could benefit from having graduates with Mechatronics and Robotics skill sets?

ID 🛧	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	Process Engineers role
2	anonymous	Modelling and auto-coding of control and behaviour for the actuation of autonomous systems which consist of an array of sensors and actuation systems
3	anonymous	n/a
4	anonymous	Maintenance engineers covering pneumatic, hydraulics, PLC , programming and electronics
5	anonymous	We are at the start of a journey of introducing robotics into the business. We see this as a strategic growth opportunity and in doing so we need the in-house expertise to manage this process.
6	anonymous	PID Tuning and Monitoring Software installation engineer
7	anonymous	Mechanical Engineering, Mechatronics, Automotive Engineering, Electrical Engineering etc.



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- Jan 202 Data Analytics
   – relevant to engineering companies who wish to leverage their data to make
   better decisions and who want to use dashboard to visualise data
- Sept 2023 OT Security relevant to manufacturing companies who use SCADA and PLC systems, as they are becoming increasingly interconnected, organisations should prioritise operational technology (OT) security efforts alongside IT security.
- Mar 2023 6 week course in Problem Solving that can stack towards a Jan 2024 Professional Diplioma Transferable Skills – for engineering companies who wish to embed problem solving and collaboration skills in their workforce

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Entry Requirements

2 PDs (2:1) to be completed within 5 years of Masters application





#### "Challenge-Based Degree" BE/ME Digital Mechatronic Engineering

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- Underpins many sectors
- Used extensively in modern manufacturing industries
- Becoming one of the fastest growing career areas
- Manufacturing sector in Ireland employs over 230,000 people directly and a further 230,000 indirectly
- Responsible for 34.5% GDP in 2020





#### Contact us for

- More information on UL@Work
- if you wish to join the advisory panel BE/ME in Digital Mechatronics
- Want to support promotion of Mechatronics as a career path

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