This is a named option in the Electrical and Computer Engineering M.S. (http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/electrical-computer-engineering/electrical-computer-engineering-ms/)

The Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) Department offers the Electrical and Computer Engineering M.S.-Research named option program which emphasizes the enhancement of professional knowledge and research techniques.

The M.S.-Research program is intended for students who seek training in research and advanced concept development, and who want to pursue an in-depth research project with a faculty member. Students desiring the highest level of research training should apply to a Ph.D. program; often a M.S.-Research degree is earned along the way to a Ph.D. degree.

A distinguishing feature of the M.S.-Research program, in comparison to ECE’s other master’s degree programs, is the preparation of a thesis or a project report based on a research problem. The M.S.-Research program typically takes 24 months to complete.

After completing the program, students will earn a diploma stating “Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering” and the transcript will include the indication “Named Option: Research.”

For more information on this specific degree plan, please visit the ECE website (https://engineering.wisc.edu/programs/degrees/electrical-and-computer-engineering-research-ms/).