



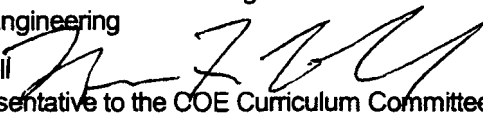
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Memorandum

To: Warren Viessman
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From: Bruce Carroll 
MAE Representative to the COE Curriculum Committee

Date: 4/10/2003

Re: Elimination of the graduate degrees in Engineering Mechanics and Engineering Science

Attached is a proposal from the MAE department to eliminate the graduate degrees in Engineering Science and Engineering Mechanics. The MAE faculty have voted in favor of this proposal. A similar proposal to eliminate the undergraduate degree in Engineering Science was approved by the COE Curriculum Committee at the March 2003 meeting.

Proposal to Eliminate the Graduate Degrees in Engineering Mechanics and Engineering Science

Submitted by the department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

The MAE department currently offers the Master of Engineering, Master of Science and Engineering degrees in Aerospace Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Engineering Mechanics and in Engineering Science. MAE also offers the PhD degree in Aerospace Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Mechanics.

The coursework and examination policies for the Mechanical Engineering, Engineering Mechanics and Engineering Science degrees are identical, so that effectively no difference exists between these degrees. There is significant technical and intellectual similarities between the Mechanical Engineering, Engineering Mechanics and Engineering Science degrees. Following the merger that formed the MAE department, the MAE faculty have decided to emphasize the Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace Engineering graduate degree programs and have voted in favor of eliminating the graduate Engineering Mechanics and Engineering Science degrees. Students who are currently enrolled in these degree programs will be switched to either Mechanical Engineering or Aerospace Engineering graduate degree with no loss of credit for coursework or other degree requirements already satisfied.

For these reasons, the MAE department requests that the following graduate degrees be eliminated:

- Master of Engineering, Master of Science and Engineering degrees in Engineering Science
- Master of Engineering, Master of Science, Engineering, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Engineering Mechanics

We ask that this action be effective with the 2004-2005 catalog year (July 2004).