# PROGRAM DELETION College of Engineering and Mines- Master of Civil Engineering (MCE)

#### I. Program Deletion Information

#### A. Name of person preparing request

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## B. Reasons for requesting deletion of program

Following the 2014-2015 Special Program Review, a decision was made to consolidate several degrees under the MS in Civil Engineering. While not a part of Program Review that year, the MCE was a logical program to include in this reorganization, as it has the same requirements as the MS, but is project (instead of thesis) option. That option can easily be accommodated in the MS in Civil Engineering.

#### C. Relation of program to other programs in the local unit and system

There will be no negative effects of program deletion. As a result of the 2104-2105 Special Program Review, CEE is reorganizing their degree programs, merging what were several independent programs into the MS in Civil Engineering. The goal is to make more efficient use of program resources. Deletion of this program will impact no other units.

- D. Summarize effects on personnel directly involved with the program

  There will be no negative impacts on faculty. All affiliated faculty also teach in other degree programs.
- E. Summarize effects deletion of program will have on budget of department
  Cost of the program is low because teaching and advising in the program is done by
  faculty whose workloads are largely devoted to other degree programs in the CEE
  Department. Thus, discontinuation of the program will result in minimal cost savings.
  There will be some reduction of workload in administrational oversight of the
  program.
- F. Provide information on current student enrollment in program or courses

  Very few students have pursued this program in recent years (declining from 6 in
  2012 to 2 currently). There are currently two active students who would be able to
  complete their degrees with existing courses.

#### II. Background Information

A copy of the original instructional program request, if available, or equivalent information should be submitted. If no formal presentation of program approval was made, the following information should be submitted:

There is no copy of the program approval on file.

 Identification of Program: Should include a brief description of the program and its goals

The most recent catalog description is the same as the MS in Civil Engineering, with the following curricular requirements:

- 1. Complete the following admission requirements:
  - 1. Complete a bachelor's degree in civil engineering.
  - International students must complete the TOEFL with a score of 575 or better.
- 2. Complete the general university requirements.
- 3. Complete the master's degree requirements.
- 4. Complete a project--3 6 credits
- 5. Minimum credits required--30 credits

Only the project is different from the MS requirements.

## 2. Enrollment Information: Past and present enrollment statistics should be included

#### Headcount of Majors

M	FY	FY	FY	FY15	FY16	
	6	3	2	0	2	

3. Resource Requirements of Program: Should include personnel costs as well as support service costs and space requirements

Because there are only two active students and no requirements beyond those of the existing MS degree, there are no current costs associated with this program.

Approval Signatures:

Department Head

Chair, Curriculum Council

Dean

Dean of the Graduate School

President, UAF Faculty Senate

Dana Thomas, UAF Chancellor

Jim Johnsen, UA President

Board of Regents

## IV. Provide an executive summary of about one page for inclusion in the Board of Regents committee agenda. (attached)

Previous to the 2014-2015 Special Program Review, the following programs were offered and administrated in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department (CEE), together with two other programs, a Masters of Civil Engineering (MCE) and MS in Civil Engineering.

- MCE (Master of Civil Engineering)
- Arctic Engineering MS
- Engineering Management MS
- Science Management MS
- Environmental Engineering MS
- Environmental Quality Science MS
- Civil Engineering MS

All seven degrees were taught by the same faculty that teach the undergraduate program, and used the same or overlapping resources. The recommendations from Special Program Review were to eliminate Engineering Management and Science Management, to revise and rename Environmental Quality Science (renamed "Water & Environmental Science in Spring 2016), and to eliminate Arctic Engineering and Environmental Engineering in order to make them concentrations within the broader MS in Civil Engineering. The program also opted to eliminate the MCE degree and merge it with the others. Admissions to those programs were suspended at that time. The proposal to merge the programs into the MS in Civil Engineering was approved by the Faculty Senate and the Provost in March, 2016, and by NWCCU in September, 2016.

The UAF Faculty Senate approved the following at Special Meeting #223 on April 24, 2017:

#### **MOTION:**

#### Discontinuation of Specialized Engineering Master's Degrees

The UAF Faculty Senate observes:

- A Civil Engineering MS will remain in the Civil & Environmental Engineering
  Department if their other MS and MCE degrees listed below are discontinued.
  Admissions were suspended in 2014 for these degrees. Many of these separate degrees are now available as concentrations within the Civil Engineering MS.\*
- A Mining Engineering MS will remain if the Mineral Preparation Engineering MS is discontinued. The Mineral Preparation Engineering MS has not had more than one enrolled student since 2012, and admissions were suspended in 2014.
- A Computer Science MS will remain if the Software Engineering MSWE is discontinued. Admissions to the MSWE were suspended in 2012. The faculty who primarily taught the program's courses have retired. The Computer Science department does not protest the discontinuation.
- The intention of this recommendation is to have minimal impact to students and faculty.

#### Faculty Senate recommends:

• That the Mineral Preparation Engineering MS program be discontinued, since there are no faculty members currently affiliated with the program and the last student from the program will graduate soon.

Therefore, the UAF Faculty Senate agrees to the discontinuation of the following specialized Engineering Master's Degrees:

MS - Arctic Engineering

MS - Engineering Management

MS - Science Management

MS - Environmental Engineering

MCE - Civil Engineering

MS - Mineral Preparation

MSWE - Software Engineering

Effective: Fall 2017 upon approval of the UA Board of Regents

Rationale: There are not enough students to allow us to afford the expense of these specialized degrees in this budget climate, and each department will still retain a graduate program.

(Signatures attached)

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#### Board of Regents Program Action Request University of Alaska

Proposal to Add, Change, or Discontinue a Program of Study

1a. UA University UAF	1b. School or College COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND MINES		1c. Department or Program Master of Civil Engineering			
2. Complete Program Title Master's of Civil Engineering						
3. Type of Program						
Undergraduate Certificate Associate		aureate		Post-Baccalaureate Certificate		
X Master's Graduate Certificate Doctorate						
4. Type of Action 5. Implement			tion date (semester, year)			
Add Change X Disco	ntinue	X Fall	Spring Summer	Year 2017		
6. Projected Revenue and Expenditure Summary (not required if the requested action is discontinuation).  Provide information for the 5 <sup>th</sup> year after program change approval if a baccalaureate or doctoral degree program; for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year after program approval if a master's or associate degree program; or for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> year after program approval if a graduate or undergraduate certificate. If information is provided for another year, specify (1st) and explain in the program summary attached. Note that revenues and expenditures are not always entirely new; some may be current (see 7d.)						
Projected Annual Revenues in FY		Projected Ar	Projected Annual Expenditures in FY			
Unrestricted		Salaries & be	enefits (faculty and staff)	\$		
General Fund	\$	Other (comm	nodities, services, etc.)	\$		
Student Tuition & Fees	\$	TOTAL EXPE		\$		
Indirect Cost Recovery	\$		penditures to Initiate Progran			
TVEP or Other (specify):	\$	_	(These are costs in addition to the annual costs, above.)			
Restricted			Year 1 \$			
Federal Receipts	\$	Year 2		\$		
TVEP or Other (specify):	\$	Year 3		\$		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	Year 4		\$		
Page # of attached summary where the budge	t is discussed, inc	luding initial pha	ase-in:			
7. Budget Status. Items a., b., and c. indicate the source(s) of the general fund revenue specified in item 6. If any grants or contracts will supply revenue needed by the program indicate amount anticipated and expiration date, if applicable.						
Revenue source		Continuing	One-time			
a. In current legislative budget request	a. In current legislative budget request			\$		
b. Additional appropriation required			\$	\$		
c. Funded through new internal UA univers	ity redistribution		\$	\$		
d. Funds already committed to the program	\$	\$				
e. Funded all or in part by external funds, ex		\$	\$			
f. Other funding source (specify type):		\$	\$			
8. Facilities. New or substantially (>\$25,000 cost) renovated facilities will be required. Yes No  If yes, discuss the extent, probable cost, and anticipated funding source(s), in addition to those listed in sections 6 and 7 above.						
9. Projected Enrollments (headcount of majors). If this is a program discontinuation request, project the teach-out enrollments.						
Year 1: Year 2:	Year 1: Year 2:					
Page number of attached summary where demand for this program is discussed:						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Sometimes the courses required by a new degree or certificate program are already being taught by a UA university, e.g., as a minor requirement. Similarly, other program needs like equipment may already be owned. 100% of the value is indicated even though the course or other resource may be shared.

10. Number <sup>2</sup> of new TA or faculty hires		11. Number <sup>2</sup> of TAs or faculty to be reassigned:				
anticipated (or number of positions eliminated if a program discontinuation):			Graduate TA			
		Adjunct				
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12. Other programs a	ffected by t	the proposed action	n, including those at o	other car	npuses (please list):	
Program Affected			Anticipated Effect			
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13. Specialized accred program certification all that apply or 'none		14. Aligns with University or campus mission, goals, core themes, and objectives (list):				
Page in attached summary where alignr				here alignment is dis	cussed:	
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16. State needs met by this program (list):			ds to be met are discussed:		18. Program is initially planned to be: (check all that apply)	
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17. Yes or No (circle o	ne) If this r	program is an addit	ion, would program b	e eligibl	e for State's Eligible T	raining Provider List
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2Net FTE (full-time equivaler	nts). For exam	ple, if a faculty member	r will be reassigned from a	nother pro	gram, but his/her original r	program will hire a replacement,
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revenue/expenditure information provided.

Attachments:

Revised: 12/12/2017

☐ Summary of Degree or Certificate Program Proposal

Other (optional)