University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

The Materials Science and Engineering program requests the elimination of the following 8 emphases:

Materials Science, Applied Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-006)
Materials Science, Chemistry of Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-002)
Materials Science, Entrepreneurship Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-008)
Materials Science, Geomaterials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-003)
Materials Science, Liberal Arts Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-004)
Materials Science, Mathematics of Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-009)
Materials Science, Nanoscience Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-005)
Materials Science, Physics of Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-001)

This action was recommended by Academic Affairs, per result of the program review AY 2017-18. Suggestion was made to create a single major program with one code.

Points Discussed by Committee:
1. Elimination of the emphases allow for more flexibility for students to create a course of study.
2. Advising workload for faculty in Materials Science and Engineering will increase.
3. Recommendation was supported by the faculty in Materials Science and Engineering.

Pros of Recommendation:

Program alignment with UWEC program array and academic master plan. Allows for the creation of a single major program with one code.

Cons of Recommendation:

none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

None

Committee Recommendation:
The committee approved the elimination of the 8 Material Science and Engineering Emphases [following codes: 250-006; 250-002; 250-008; 250-003; 250-004; 250-009; 250-005; Code 250-001]
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by a vote of 9 for to 0 against on October 23, 2018 (Date)

Recommends that:

The elimination of the following Materials Science and Engineering program emphases starting 2019-2020 AY:

Materials Science, Applied Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-006)
Materials Science, Chemistry of Materials Emphasis, Comprehensive Major, Liberal Arts (Code 250-002)
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Implementation Date: 19/20 catalog

Signed: _____________________________________________________________________________
Chair of the Committee

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