

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

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

The Material Science and Engineering program requests approval to establish a new course prefix: BME (Biomedical Engineering). A Major Authorization proposal for a new comprehensive major in biomedical engineering was approved by UW-Eau Claire's University Senate Academic Policies Committee on April 9, 2019 and by the full Senate thereafter. There are at least five (5) new courses that will need to be developed as part of the biomedical engineering major. These courses will be specific to this major and should not be cross-listed or considered as part of another department's or program's course array.

Points Discussed by Committee:

1. Would existing program faculty construct BME specific courses or new faculty hire with biomedical engineering expertise?

Pros of Recommendation:

The creation of the new prefix will allow for continued course development and approval processes to make their way through the shared governance process.

Cons of Recommendation:

none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

none

Committee Recommendation:

The committee approved the creation of a new prefix: BME.

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of 7 for to 0 against on February 11, 2020 (Date)

Recommends that:

The creation of a new prefix: BME starting 2020-2021 AY:

Implementation Date: 20/21 catalog

Signed: _____
Chair of the Committee

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