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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Phil Kraemer Chair, Undergraduate Council

FROM: Dr. Donn Hancher Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

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The following proposal is submitted for review by the Undergraduate Council:

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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

(1) General Engineering major for new freshmen(2) Revision of Engineering Standing requirements

These proposals were approved by the Engineering Faculty on September 6, 2006.

If you need additional information please contact me.

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## College of Engineering Faculty Meeting September 6, 2006 Undergraduate Changes Proposed to University Senate

Approval is being requested by the College of Engineering for changes in two student issues. Item 1 is a minor change allowing new freshmen to not select a specific program, but to have a free semester to consider their program choice. Item 2 proposes more consistency amongst the programs on their requirements for lower level students to qualify for upper division standing earlier in their career. This was a serious problem given to the College on recent accreditation visits.

Both of these Items were approved at a COE Faculty Meeting on September 6, 2006.

## Item 1: GENERAL ENGINEERING SELECTION FOR NEW FRESHMEN

a. Newly admitted Pre-Engineering or Pre-CS Students would be allowed to choose an open major for one semester (12 credit minimum) called General Engineering. Many new students have stated a preference for this process which allows them some freedom in considering more options before selecting a program.

b. All students must select a program before the end of their first semester, preferably when they register for classes for their second semester.

c. General Engineering students can take a 101 class of their choosing in the College. Programs might accept this 101 class or demand the students take the program's required 101 class when they enter the program.

NOTE: The college already has an approved Major Code: ENGI in SIS.

Item 2: REVISION OF ENGINEERING STANDING REQUIREMENTS

a. Students can request qualification for Engineering or CS Standing after completing the required set of engineering standing courses in the first 3 Semesters of the published curriculum in their chosen program.

b. A maximum GPA of 2.5 can be required by programs using the courses specified by the program to calculate a student's GPA. The criteria must be approved by the Dean. If a program has an over-enrollment problem, it can request a raise in the GPA with the Dean's approval. Changes can only be requested annually to protect students. General Engineering Open Major\_Approved.txt From: Ken Calvert [calvert@netlab.uky.edu] Sent: Friday, April 13, 2007 2:35 PM To: Brothers, Sheila C Cc: Pulito, Andrew R; Blank, Christine; Coyne, Mark S; Piascik, Peggy; raphael@cs.uky.edu; scsegeO@uky.edu Subject: Re: Pending A&AS Items - 2 Engr Items

Hi Sheila,

2. Regarding the "General Engineering major for new freshmen", the A&AS committee has no objection to this proposal, and recommends that it be approved.

Sorry for the late notice. If you have questions, just ask.

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