

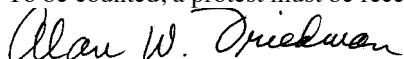
**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE DEGREES AND PROGRAMS SECTION CONCERNING ROTC
COURSES IN THE COCKRELL SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING CHAPTER IN THE
*UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG 2018-2020***

Dean Sharon L. Wood in the Cockrell School of Engineering has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the following changes to the Degrees and Programs section that concerns ROTC courses in the Cockrell School of Engineering chapter in the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2018-2020*. On February 3, 2016, the Department of Mechanical Engineering approved the proposal; on March 29, 2016, it was approved by the Engineering Degrees and Courses Committee, and it was approved by Dean Wood on April 6, 2016. The secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of *exclusive* interest to only one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the certificate on March 1, 2017, and forwarded it to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with the Provost on behalf of the President.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by March 27, 2017.



Alan W. Friedman, Secretary of the General Faculty and Faculty Council
The University of Texas at Austin

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TYPE OF CHANGE: Academic Change
 Degree Program Change (THECB form required)

PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION: Exclusive General Major

1. IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IS YES, THE COLLEGE MUST CONSULT LINDA DICKENS, DIRECTOR OF ACCREDITATION AND ASSESSMENT, TO DETERMINE IF SACSCOC APPROVAL IS REQUIRED.

- Is this a new degree program? Yes No
- Is this program being deleted? Yes No
- Does the program offer courses that will be taught off campus? Yes No
- Will courses in this program be delivered electronically? Yes No

2. EXPLAIN CHANGE TO DEGREE PROGRAM AND GIVE A DETAILED RATIONALE FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL CHANGE:

Updating ROTC policy. Rationale: Our current policy allows departments to substitute three credits of Air Force Science, Military Science or Naval Science for three credits of engineering electives. Several of our programs have a greater capacity to accept ROTC courses in their degree plan through their elective programs designed to support the student's personal or career goals; therefore, the Cockrell School of Engineering wishes to update our policy on ROTC course substitutions to provide greater flexibility for those programs. The largest number of ROTC substitute credits would be twelve in the Mechanical Engineering program, which has an allowance for twelve credits of Career Gateway electives. Other programs are more constrained in accepting non-engineering electives. Core course and ABET accreditation requirements on minimum math, science, and engineering credits also effectively impose an upper limit on ROTC substitutions.

3. THIS PROPOSAL INVOLVES: (Please check all that apply)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Courses in other colleges | <input type="checkbox"/> Courses in proposer's college that are frequently taken by students in other colleges | <input type="checkbox"/> Flags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course in the core curriculum | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in course sequencing for an existing program | <input type="checkbox"/> Courses that have to be added to the inventory |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change in admission requirements (external or internal) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Requirements not explicit in the catalog language (e.g., lists of acceptable courses maintained by department office) | |

4. SCOPE OF PROPOSED CHANGE:

- a. Does this proposal impact other colleges/schools? Yes No

 If yes, then how would you do so? The impact is negligible
- b. Do you anticipate a net change in the number of students in your college? Yes No

If yes, how many more (or fewer) students do you expect?

- c. Do you anticipate a net increase (or decrease) in the number of students from outside of your college taking classes in your college? Yes No

If yes, please indicate the number of students and/or class seats involved.

- d. Do you anticipate a net increase (or decrease) in the number of students from your college taking courses in other colleges? Yes No

If yes, please indicate the number of students and/or class seats involved.

If 4 a, b, c, or d was answered with yes, please answer the following questions:

If the proposal has potential budgetary impacts for another college/school, such as requiring new sections or a non-negligible increase in the number of seats offered, at least one contact must be at the college-level.

The impacted number of students is estimated to be approximately ten per year.

Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included:

Person communicated with: No schools were communicated with because of the negligible impact.

Date of communication:

Response:

- e. Does this proposal involve changes to the core curriculum or other basic education requirements (42-hour core, signature courses, flags)? If yes, explain: **NO**

If yes, Undergraduate Studies must be informed of the proposed changes and their response included:

Person communicated with:

Date of communication:

Response:

- f. Will this proposal change the number of hours required for degree completion? If yes, explain: **NO**

5. COLLEGE/SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS

Department approval date: February 3, 2016 Approved by whom: Mechanical Engineering Faculty

College approval date: March 29, 2016 Approved by whom: Degrees & Courses Committee

Dean approval date: April 6, 2016 Approved by whom: Sharon L. Wood

PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:

DEGREES AND PROGRAMS

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Applicability of Certain Courses

Physical Activity Courses

{No changes to this subsection}

ROTC Courses

The dean, on the recommendation of the department chair, may substitute three semester hours of credit for air force science, military science, or naval science courses for three semester hours of elective coursework in an engineering degree program. The elective for which an ROTC course is substituted must be approved by the

~~student's major department faculty adviser. All ROTC students should consult their undergraduate adviser. The total number of semester hours required for the degree remains unchanged. Substitution is permitted only upon the student's completion of the last two years of ROTC coursework and receipt at the University of a commission in the service.~~ upon recommendation of the department adviser, has the authority to substitute an equivalent air force science, military science, or naval science course or courses for a course or courses prescribed by the Cockrell School of Engineering, up to a maximum of twelve semester credit hours. Core curriculum courses cannot be substituted.

{No further changes}