Department of Mechanical Engineering

Program Type:\* 

Degree Type:\* 

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Program Name:\*

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Master of Engineering: Mechanical (MEM)

Describe the rationale for the deletion(s):

Summary:

The two existing MEEG Masters programs —Masters of Science in Mechanical Engineering (MSME) and Masters of Engineering Mechanical (MEM)— are merged into one, the MSME.  The new MSME degree requirements are included in a separate resolution.  This resolution deactivates the existing MEM program.

Rationale:

The existing structure has proved to be confusing for graduate applicants.  They rarely understand the differences between the two programs before being admitted, and there is a lot of traffic through changes of classification after their orientation.

Survey data by incoming program participants seem to indicate that most candidates would prefer the MSME to the MEM degree title for increasing their chances of securing a desired professional position either in the US or in their home country.

Regional competitors (e.g., Penn, Stevens) are marketing their non-thesis, course-based, masters programs as masters of science.