SOE Curriculum Committee  
End-of-Year Report  
April 15, 2004

The School of Engineering Curriculum Committee met three times during the 2003-2004 academic year. During the fall, John Durant served as convener but was on leave during the spring, during which Alva Couch served as convener. The Committee considered five requests for action and one concern raised by a Committee member.

Initially, the committee discussed whether Engineering students should be allowed to take Physics 12 (Electricity and Magnetism) without also taking the lab for the course. The committee voted informally that the decision should be left to individual departments, and the School of Engineering voted to support this decision.

The following requests were approved by the Committee with no need for school-wide approval:
1. Changing the title and description of EN2 to better reflect current content. The committee also considered the procedure for course changes (such as this request) and voted that minor changes such as these need not be put to a committee vote, provided that the chair approves and inform the committee of the change via electronic mail.

The following requests for action were approved both by the Committee and by the School of Engineering as a whole:
2. New Course: ME103: Introduction to MEMS.

The following requests for action were approved by the Committee but have yet to be approved by the School:
5. New Course: Comp201: Teaching Practicum I.
6. New Course: Comp202: Teaching Practicum II.

Due to the innovative and unusual nature of the courses and the program into which they fit, the School voted that the Certificate/Cognate program that these courses are designed to support should be reviewed by the Graduate Committee before further action is taken.

The committee also considered and approved minor changes to the “Request for Action” form. However, the faculty have recently requested more changes that have yet to be approved and incorporated, including new sections describing:
   a) Frequency of offering for each course.
   b) Lab facilities required for each course.

Respectfully Submitted,
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