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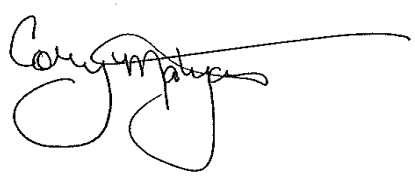
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To: Randy Smith, Vice Provost for Academic Programs, Office of Academic Affairs
From: Cory Matyas, Assistant Dean for Curriculum and Assessment
Date: September 22, 2026

The Department of Civil, Environmental and Geodetic Engineering is revising design, technical, and technical-writing elective options in the Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering curricula. CIVILEN 5740 and ENVENG 5110 will be removed as Civil Engineering design electives beginning with the Autumn 2027 catalog because the courses do not provide a suitable ABET-aligned design experience. Other additions, including ENVENG 5410, MECHENG 5139, and ENGLISH 3305, will take effect immediately upon approval as specified for each curriculum and catalog year.

The Engineering College Committee on Academic Affairs met on September 22, 2026 and reviewed this memo as an informational item. There were no questions or concerns and a College-level record of support for this proposal was created.

Please find details attached.



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Dear Prof. Shannon Morrison,

The Department of Civil, Environmental, and Geodetic Engineering (CEGE) is submitting curriculum updates for the Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering majors. These changes include primarily adding but also removing some Design Elective and Technical Elective options.

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Rationale for Change

CIVILEN 5740 and ENVENG 5110 will not meet the design requirements of the curriculum as we initially hoped. This reflects the content and topics covered in these classes do not readily allow for the inclusion of a suitable design experience that would satisfy ABET requirements. We cannot remove them as options for currently enrolled students, so we will remove them as options starting with students entering OSU in the AU27 catalog year. ENVENG 5410 is a course previously in limbo that has been returned to offer another Design Elective option for students.

Effective Date

The removal of the two design electives will occur with the AU27 term, but all other changes would be effective immediately.

Changes to be Made

Civil Engineering curriculum:

- AU27 Catalog Year
  - Remove CIVILEN 5740 and ENVENG 5110 Design Elective course options
- AU25 Catalog Year:
  - Add ENVENG 5410 as a Design Elective or Technical Elective course option
  - Add MECHENG 5139 as a Technical Elective
- AU24 and prior Catalog Years
  - Add ENVENG 5410 as an Area 3 Technical Elective course option
- AU24 and subsequent Catalog Years
  - Add ENGLISH 3305 – Technical Writing as a Technical Writing course option

Environmental Engineering curriculum:

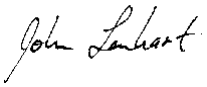
- AU24 and subsequent Catalog Years
  - Add ENGLISH 3305 – Technical Writing as a Technical Writing course option.

Transition Policy

Any currently enrolled student will be permitted to count the courses above as indicated. Currently enrolled Civil students can continue to count CIVILEN 5740 and ENVENG 5110 as Design Electives, and any courses being added can be counted in the

categories above effective immediately upon approval regardless of when the student completed the course(s).

Sincerely,



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