

Minutes of Michigan Tech University Senate Meeting #724

Date: Thursday, November 6, 2025

Time: 12:30 p.m.

Location: ChemSci 102

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 12:32 p.m.

Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors

- Roll was taken.

Approval of Agenda

- A motion to approve the agenda was made and seconded. Motion carried.
- Approval of Minutes from Meeting #723
- A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. Motion carried.

President's Report

- Committee appointments are ongoing, and volunteers were thanked for their service.
- The Global Campus Working Group will be convened; invitations and confirmations are in progress. Senator Paul Bergstrom has agreed to convene the committee.
- One additional volunteer is needed for the Committee on Academic Tenure, Promotion, and Reappointment (CATPR). The remaining vacancy must be filled by a tenured faculty member.
- Two Senate nominations will be needed for the NCAA Athletic Council seat. The University President will select the representative from the nominees.

Committee Reports

- Curricular Policy Committee (CPC) informed the senate about their review of Essential Education minors. This process is wrapping up.

Unfinished Business

Proposal 31-25: *Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Artificial Intelligence*; (Voting Units: Academic)

- Proposal for a 9-credit graduate certificate consisting of three courses focused on foundational concepts in artificial intelligence.
- A motion to approve was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 01-26: *Elimination of Shelved Undergraduate Programs*; (Voting Units: Academic)

- Proposal eliminates undergraduate programs that have been inactive for five years and no longer have enrolled students.
- A motion to approve was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Three proposals were introduced; an approval vote will be taken at the next meeting.

Proposal 03-26: *Graduate Certificate in Internal Combustion Engine Systems*; (Voting Units: Academic)

- Proposal to offer a graduate certificate in both online and in-person modalities building on existing institutional expertise.

Proposal 30-25: *Graduate Certificate in Robust Embedded Software*; (Voting Units: Academic)

- Proposal for an online graduate certificate providing applied experience in embedded software systems.
- Note: Courses associated with the certificate will proceed through the standard curricular approval (“binder”) process.

Proposal 02-26: *Elimination of Shelved Graduate Programs*; (Voting Units: Academic)

- Proposal eliminates several graduate certificates and legacy PhD program tracks that have been superseded by departmentally-homed doctoral programs.

Public Comments

- No public comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45.