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**TO:** Richard Koubek, President

**FROM:** Jacqueline E. Huntoon, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

*Jacqueline E. Huntoon*

**DATE:** March 6, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Senate Proposal 29-20

Attached is Senate proposal 29-20, "Proposal to Shelve the Computer Science – Software Engineering Concentration," and a memo stating the Senate passed this proposal at their March 4, 2020 meeting. I have reviewed this memo and recommend approving this proposal.

I concur  do not concur  with this recommendation.

Richard Koubek, President

04/14/20

Date



**Michigan Tech**

*University Senate*

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**DATE:** March 5, 2020  
**TO:** Richard Koubek, President  
**FROM:** Michael Mullins  
University Senate President  
**SUBJECT:** Proposal 29-20  
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At its meeting on March 4, 2020, the University Senate approved Proposal 29-20, “Proposal to Shelve the Computer Science –Software Engineering Concentration”. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University  
Proposal 29-20

Proposal to Shelve the Computer Science –  
Software Engineering Concentration (SCS5)  
Department of Computer Science  
January 22, 2020

**Contact:** Charles Wallace (wallace@mtu.edu)  
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**1. Full name of program to be shelved**

B.S. in Computer Science - Software Engineering (SCS5)

**2. Final term program will be open for new admits**

Spring 2020

**3. Plan to complete all enrolled and returning students**

There are no students currently enrolled in the concentration. Any returning students will continue through graduation following the degree audit of their enrollment year. We do not anticipate any problems in accommodating returning students because all the required courses for SCS5 are also required courses in the existing Software Engineering degree program (SSEN).

**4. Reason for shelving**

The Bachelor of Software Engineering Degree (SSEN) became effective as a major in Fall 2003, at the same time as the creation of the Software Engineering Concentration (SCS5) under the Computer Science Degree. The degree and the concentration were quite similar, one difference being that the concentration had one semester of senior design rather than a yearlong capstone project. We have since then decided that it better serves the students who have an interest in software engineering to take the Software Engineering Degree. Therefore, we are shelving the Software Engineering Concentration (SCS5).

**5. Financial impact (if any) to the department and university**

We do not anticipate any costs related to the shelving. The Software Engineering Concentration (SCS5) has not been advertised in Computer Science Department or College of Computing literature for several years. The existing Software Engineering degree program offers a robust software engineering learning experience for Michigan Tech students.