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**TO:** Richard Koubek, President

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

*Jacqueline E. Huntoon*

**DATE:** April 22, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Senate Proposal 51-21

Attached is Senate proposal 51-21, "Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: Graduate Certificate in Sustainability," and a memo stating the Senate passed this proposal at their April 21, 2021 meeting. I have reviewed this memo and recommend approving this proposal.

I concur   X   do not concur            with this recommendation.

Richard Koubek, President

4/26/21

Date



**Michigan Tech**

*University Senate*

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**DATE:** April 22, 2021  
**TO:** Richard Koubek, President  
**FROM:** Samuel Sweitz  
University Senate President  
**SUBJECT:** Proposal 51-21  
**COPIES:** Jacqueline E. Huntoon, Provost & Senior VP for Academic Affairs

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At its meeting on April 21, 2021, the University Senate approved Proposal 51-21, "Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: Graduate Certificate in Sustainability". Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

**The University Senate of Michigan Technological University**

**Proposal 51-21**  
(Voting Units: Academic)

**Proposal to Shelve Degree Program:  
Graduate Certificate in Sustainability**

Submitted by  
The Sustainable Futures Institute (SFI)  
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**1. Full name of program to be shelved**

Graduate Certificate in Sustainability GC1(IGCS)

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

Fall 2020

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

There are currently several students enrolled in the program. The Sustainable Futures Institute will continue to advise enrolled students and teach certificate courses (or equivalent replacement courses) until all students graduate or transfer to a new certificate being proposed.

**4. Reason for shelving**

The Sustainable Futures Institute was not renewed and we are transitioning the IGCS to a 9-credit stackable certificate.

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

There are no known financial impacts to the Sustainable Futures Institute or to the University.