

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Proposal 13-23

(Voting Units: Academic)

“Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: 3+1 Cytotechnology (SML4)”

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1. Full name of program to be shelved

B.S. Medical Laboratory Science – 3+1 Cytotechnology Concentration (SML4)

2. Final term program will be open for new admits

Fall 2022

3. Plan to complete all enrolled and returning students

All required Medical Laboratory Science courses will remain available. Therefore, enrolled and returning students will finish the degree as defined in the degree audit for their enrollment year.

Note: There are no students currently enrolled in this concentration.

4. Reason for shelving

Our current hospital affiliates no longer offer a cytotechnology program. Without a clinical site for students to complete their internship, this degree program cannot be offered. Many students are learning this specialty with on the job training once they become certified Medical Laboratory Scientists and cytotechnology programs do not need to be offered at the university level.

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

We anticipate minimal financial impact of this change to the department and university. There are no students that are currently enrolled in SML4. According to Webfocus reports, there has not been a single student enrolled in this degree concentration in over 10 years so we anticipate no change in enrollment or disruption to students interested in a Medical Laboratory Science degree. All existing courses will continue to be taught to support our SML8 and SML9 concentration choices.