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TO: Richard Koubek, President

FROM: Andrew Storer, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs 


DATE: April 9, 2026

SUBJECT: Senate Proposal 09-26

Attached is Senate proposal 09-26, "Proposal to Shelve the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Materials Engineering," and a memo stating the Senate passed this proposal at their April 2, 2026 meeting. I have reviewed this memo and recommend approving the proposal.

If you concur with my recommendation, the program will be shelved as indicated in the proposal as no further approvals are needed.

I concur do not concur with the provost's recommendation as stated in this memo.



Richard Koubek, President

4/10/26

Date



DATE: April 2, 2026
TO: Richard Koubek, President
FROM: Robert Hutchinson, University Senate President
SUBJECT: Proposal 09-26
COPIES: Andrew Storer, Provost & Senior VP for Academic Affairs

At its meeting on April 2, 2026, the University Senate approved Proposal 09-26, "Proposal the Shelve the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Materials Engineering." Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University
Proposal 09-26

Proposal to Shelve the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Materials Engineering

Submitted by: provost's office
Contact: Walter Milligan

Required Information

Program Details

- Program to be Shelved: **Fundamentals of Materials Engineering**
- Program Code: **CMSF**
- Final Term for New Admits: **Fall 2025**
- Effective shelving semester: **Fall 2026**

Plan for Currently Enrolled and Returning Students

- No plans are necessary. The program has never had any enrollment.

Reason for Shelving

- There has been zero enrollment in this certificate the entire time it has been offered.
- The few potential students who expressed interest did not have an MSE undergraduate degree and wanted practical courses in MSE to help them in their careers, but this certificate offered very theoretical core graduate courses in thermodynamics, kinetics, and crystallography that they did not have the prerequisites for.

Financial Impacts

- There are no expected financial impacts.