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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 10-26

Attached is Senate proposal 10-26, "Proposal for Shelving the Vehicle Dynamics Graduate Certificate," 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 10- 26
COPIES: Andrew Storer, Provost & Senior VP for Academic Affairs

At its meeting on April 2, 2026, the University Senate approved Proposal 10-26, "Proposal for Shelving the Vehicle Dynamics Graduate Certificate." Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University
Proposal for Shelving the Vehicle Dynamics Graduate Certificate

Proposal 10-26

Kazuya Tajiri

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1. Full name of program to be shelved:

➤ Vehicle Dynamics Graduate Certificate (CVD)

2. Final term program was open for new admits:

➤ Fall 2025

3. Plan to complete all enrolled and returning students:

➤ Two students are currently registered for this certificate. Those students still need to take one or two required courses to complete the certificate, and these courses are regularly offered. We anticipate those students to complete the certificate in one or two more semesters.

4. Reason for shelving:

➤ Student demand for this certificate is non-existent, with low/no enrollment for several years.

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

➤ This will eliminate the administrative expenses associated with maintaining the certificate webpage, course list/schedule, and creating the annual assessment plan.

