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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 11-26

Attached is Senate proposal 11-26, "Proposal for Shelving the Safety and Security of Autonomous Cyber-Physical Systems," 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 11- 26  
COPIES: Andrew Storer, Provost & Senior VP for Academic Affairs

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At its meeting on April 2, 2026, the University Senate approved Proposal 11-26, "Proposal for Shelving the Safety and Security of Autonomous Cyber-Physical Systems." Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Proposal for Shelving the Safety and Security of Autonomous Cyber-Physical Systems

Proposal 11-26

Graduate Certificate

Kazuya Tajiri

Associate Chair and Director of Graduate Studies

Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

1. Full name of program to be shelved:

➤ Safety and Security of Autonomous Cyber-Physical Systems Graduate Certificate (ISSC)

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. They are taking one of the required courses in this semester (Fall 2025), and the other required course (ME/EE5315) will be offered in Spring 2026. We will recommend those students to take the course in Spring 2026.

4. Reason for shelving:

➤ It is difficult for the MAE department to keep offering the required courses (ME5300, ME/EE5315). These courses are currently taught by one person who may retire soon, and the department has no substitute instructors for these courses.

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.